

The Eaton Village Residents Association

Spring Newsletter 2019

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Welcome to this EVRA Spring Newsletter. We also warmly welcome to Eaton Village all those residents who have recently moved into the Village.

We approach the busiest time of our year with our Garden Competitions, Scarecrow Festival, Family Fun Day and various other events taking place.

Your Committee elected at the AGM last October is: Chris Stebbing (Chairman) **503301**, **Email: evra.vc@live.co.uk**; Vic Flute (Vice-chairman) Carol Plunkett (Treasurer); Patricia Seadon (Secretary); Sharon Atkinson, Rosemary Benton, Naomi Godding, Kathleen Westwell, Bernard Godding, and Barry Skipper. Copies of reports and accounts presented to the AGM can be read on the EVRA website.

Eaton 20mph Zone: The City Council will be implementing a 20mph Zone across Norwich and this will apply to all roads in Eaton except for Newmarket Road, Bluebell Road and Unthank Road which will remain as 30mph. The work in our area will start on 8th April and take five weeks. The Eaton scheme will involve installation of 20mph roundels on lampposts every 200 metres and widening of the footpath by the cemetery on Church Lane. No other physical traffic calming measures will be implemented but we hope that residents, visitors and business traffic will comply with the new speed limits in order to improve the safety of our local roads for us all.

Speedwatch: We are keen to set up an Eaton Speedwatch Group to help monitor the 20mph zone and would welcome more volunteers to start this. The team will be trained by the Police and will concentrate on the roads where speeding is most prevalent ie Church Lane and Greenways. Contact Vic Flute on **Tel: 457802** or by **email** at: vicechair.evra@gmail.com if you are interested in helping.

Trading Standards alerts on SCAMS: At the 2018 AGM Stephen Maunder from Norfolk Trading Standards spoke about the various Scams that take place on a daily basis to try and separate residents from their hard earned money. Scams can take many formats and can arise from cold calling on your doorstep or by telephone, email Scams and rogue traders. We are aware that some Eaton residents have been caught out by such Scams so it is important to be vigilant at all times. Norfolk Trading Standards issue regular reports on the latest Scams and these can be accessed via their website at: <https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/business/trading-standards> we also post links to Trading Standards on the EVRA website at: <http://eatonvillage.co.uk/local-links-and-services/norfolk-trading-standards-how-to-be-scam-aware/recent-scam-alerts-from-norfolk-trading-standards/>

EVRA SUBSCRIPTIONS: Another year has passed and EVRA subscriptions are due. Your subscriptions help fund our community projects and pay for expenses such as printing this Newsletter, insurance and supporting our events. EVRA subscription remains as £1 but we would really welcome additional donations. Please return the enclosed envelope to the EVRA Postbox in Waitrose or any other listed location and include your name and address and sign the envelope so we can enrol your household as a member of the Association. We thank Waitrose management and other local businesses for their continued support of EVRA.

Spring and Summer Garden Competitions 2019

Rosemary is once again organising our Spring and Summer Garden Competitions for front or side Gardens only – those easily viewed from footpaths. The competition is open to all households and businesses in the EVRA area and is free to enter.

Closing date for entries for the SPRING GARDEN COMPETITION is 8th April.

Closing date for entries for the SUMMER GARDEN COMPETITION will be 7th July

Judging will take place soon after the closing date. Prizes, sponsored by Smith & Pinching, will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places with the winners receiving a Trophy to be held for one year. To enter the garden competitions please contact Rosemary via email: rosesunny@live.co.uk with your NAME, ADDRESS and TEL NOS. or alternatively Telephone Rosemary on 452185.

FAMILY FUN DAY –Cellar House Garden Sunday 21st July – 12 noon onwards: We will again be having a Family Fun Day at the Cellar House during the Scarecrow weekend to raise funds for our Eaton Green Playground Project. As in previous years we will have lots of traditional games all at affordable prices. Last year we raised over £225 towards the Playground Project and we hope to see you all again at our great family event. The Cellar House plans to have a barbecue outside selling hot food. Their restaurant will also be open but it is advisable to book a table to eat inside. **Please contact Vic on:** vicechair.evra@gmail.com or Tel: 457802 **if you can offer help to set up or run a stall on the day.**

EATON VILLAGE SCARECROW FESTIVAL 2019: Our tenth Scarecrow Festival will be held over the weekend of **20th/21st July**. The format will be similar to previous years with formal judging of entries on the Saturday and a Trail Map and voting form for you to vote for your favourites. For 2019 the theme will be **'Highlights of the Decade'** so get your thinking caps on and start planning your scarecrow! Notcutts will once again sponsor the Judges Prizes and Smith & Pinching the prizes for the winners of the public vote. We will also run a Garage Sale throughout the weekend. Entry forms will be distributed to Residents in early June with the Parish Summer School leaflets and will also be available then on the EVRA Website.

Eaton Green Playground Project: It is good to see the new play equipment being used and children and families enjoying themselves. Our Project Team led by Sharon continues to submit bids for funding and is working with the City Council to add new pieces of equipment as funds become available. The next item of equipment we would like to purchase is a roundabout and we currently have £2800 towards the £7000 cost of this.

Eaton CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other): This social group was launched in 2017 and is aimed at those who are experiencing memory problems and lonely folk from our community, this is a place where you can meet others, join in various activities, join a singalong or just sit & chat over a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit. CAMEO is volunteer led and part of EVRA. Its events aim to be dementia friendly and take place every 4th Wednesday of the month in St Andrews Church Hall 2.30 – 4pm. For more details email: eatoncameo@e-c-a.ac.uk or phone 464937.

Donkey Lane: Rosemary and her team continue to manage the verges along Donkey Lane, meeting most Wednesday afternoons. We have a number of helpers but anyone interested in joining Rosemary and her team will be very welcome. It is a social as well as an active session. Contact Rosemary on Norwich 452185 or email: rosesunny@live.co.uk

EVRA WEBSITE & FACEBOOK: The EVRA website is regularly updated with local events and information. Take a look at the website at: www.eatonvillage.co.uk for more information on any of the above items. Our Facebook page is used for posting items of immediate and short term interest and is a great way to keep in touch with local events. <https://www.facebook.com/eatonvillageresidentsassociation> **Alternatively you can contact us by telephone on 503301 or via Email at: evra.vc@live.co.uk**