

The Eaton Village Residents Association

Autumn Newsletter 2017

www.eatonvillage.co.uk



Annual General Meeting 2017

The Association's AGM will be held at **Eaton Golf Club on Wednesday 18th October 2017 at 7.30pm**. All residents who receive this newsletter are eligible to attend but only those who have paid their annual subscription are entitled to vote. (See below for how to pay your subscription)

After the formal business and a break for refreshments we will have presentations on the work of Eaton Dementia Friends and other topics.

The current committee members are Chris Stebbing (chairman) Tel: 503301; Vic Flute (vice-chairman); Pat Seadon (secretary); Sarah Cross (treasurer); Rosemary Benton, Sharon Atkinson; Jane Miller, Naomi Godding, Carol Plunkett, Kath Westwell, Helen Flute and Valli Rao. All current members are eligible for re-election and nominations can be made at the AGM.

New members are always welcome to assist us with our various projects and activities. If you are interested in joining the Committee and want to chat before the AGM, please get in touch direct, via 'Facebook' or the website. We will be very pleased to hear from you. You can contact Chris Stebbing on 503301 or Email: evra.vc@live.co.uk

2017 Scarecrow Festival

Our 8th Scarecrow Festival held over the week-end of 15/16th July was a great success. The theme was 'Fictitious Characters' and we had 31 scarecrows around the Village. The winner of the Judges 1st prize was the Gorringe family of Rosslare with "Who's Eaton all the Donuts?". Photos of all the entries and prize winners can be found on the EVRA website at www.eatonvillage.co.uk. EVRA thank **Notcutts, RJL IFA Ltd** and **Reality Estate Agents** for their generous support for this event. We also thank the Judges for their time and patience and all of you for getting involved.

Spring and Summer Garden Competitions 2017

We had 17 entries for the Spring Garden Competition and 19 entries for the Summer garden Competition. The judges praised the standard of entries and had a difficult time deciding the winners of the competitions. First prize for the Spring Gardens Competition went to Karl and Lydia Taylor of Abinger Way. Rachael and Tim Burrows of Marston Lane won First Prize for the Summer Gardens Competition. We thank the judges for their assistance for both events and also RJL IFA Ltd for sponsoring the prizes for our Garden competitions. Thank you also to Rosemary Benton for organisation and to all of you for your participation. You can see photos of the winners on the EVRA website. Now is time to start thinking about entering your garden for the Spring and/or Summer competitions for next year. The competitions are a celebration of spring or summer planting and style. Contact Rosemary on 452185 to take part.

Donkey Lane – Rosemary and her team continue to look after the verges in Donkey Lane meeting most Wednesday afternoons. We have a number of helpers but anyone interested in joining us will be very welcome. Contact Rosemary on Norwich 452185 or email: evra.vc@live.co.uk.

EVRA Subscriptions: It is never too late to pay your subscription for EVRA. It is still only £1 but you are welcome to pay more to support our projects such as the Eaton Green Playground. If you can't find your subscription envelope just write "EVRA subs" and your name and address on an envelope, pop in your contribution and drop it in the EVRA post box by the cash machine in Waitrose or deliver to 54 Greenways.

Eaton Green Playground Project: It has been a busy summer at the Eaton Green Playground. Thanks to the efforts of many local people, donations, grants and support from businesses (Gordon Barber Funeral Directors, RJI IFA Ltd, Reality Estate Agents, Cellar House, Waitrose, Norwich City Council, Geoffrey Watling Charity, Jewsons) and the generosity of the community, a double toddler swing and a new central play tower with slide have been installed at a cost of £5000. The picnic tables donated by Jewsons last year are well used and it is great to see so many local families making use of the park. At the end of the summer, the City Council will replace the fencing and gates to give the whole park a face lift. We continue fundraising and have almost £1000 raised through EVRA events including:

- The EVRA Family Fun Day at a packed Cellar House garden raised £305 (most activities were 20p a go!). Thank you to Victoria MacDonald and her team for hosting this.
- Hazel Story and Elaine Jermy raised over £130 through their cake sales

Fundraising Events for your Diary: See EVRA website and Facebook page for more detail

Halloween Pumpkin Trail: Tuesday 31st October from 4-8pm starting at 105 Greenways.

Sign up for £3 per child to receive your map and return the completed puzzle to receive your spooky goody bag! Further Info: <https://www.facebook.com/events/343849959382304/?ti=icl>

Christmas Santa Grotto: Friday 8th December from 3.30-7pm at St Andrew's Church Hall. Meet Father Christmas, get your family Christmas photo from our Chrimbo photo booth and enjoy refreshments and mince pie. Christmas items and tombola too! Tickets £5 per child (includes small gift).

Eaton Street Roadworks – The proposals for cycle paths and other changes are being revised following postponement from April. Works will start late October/November and include widening the cycle track up the hill from the Cellar House pub, simplifying pedestrian crossings in the centre of Eaton, and moving the stop line in Bluebell Road so buses and other large vehicles can turn left from Eaton Street more easily. New measures will be implemented as part of the scheme to provide safer access for cyclists at the traffic signals for the crossroads, advance-release lights for cyclists and new 20mph Zone gateway signs on the main route into Eaton Village centre. Detailed designs will be completed following the consultation process in August. Closure of the slip road from the Newmarket Road will be required for a period during the works. Keep up to date with the works through the EVRA website.

Eaton Dementia Friends – EVRA is working with other local organisations to establish the Eaton Dementia Friends. Their next major event will be a Market Place at St Andrew's Church Hall, Eaton from 3 to 4:30pm on Wednesday 27th September. This is a taster session and opportunity to try activities and meet people from a range of groups which will include Harford Hill Hub Carers' Support Café and Day Support Centre. An opportunity for a chat and to enjoy free refreshments! For more information please contact Cllr Caroline Ackroyd on 07941 259502 or email: c.ackroyd@norwichlibdems.org.uk.

Eaton CAMEO (Come And Meet Each Other) - This will be a social group open to everyone where you can meet others, join in various activities or just sit & chat over a cup of tea or coffee. CAMEO is part of Dementia Friendly Eaton. Starting on October 25th CAMEO will meet every 4th Wednesday of the month in St Andrews Church Hall 2.30 – 4pm. For more details email: hf2344@gmail.com or phone 457802

Speedwatch – We would welcome more volunteers to start our speedwatch group. 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: vicechair.evra@gmail.com

EVRA WEBSITE & FACEBOOK: The EVRA website is regularly updated with local events and information. Take a look at the web site 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> Email contact: evra.vc@live.co.uk