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The

# Acorn

Aston on Trent's Local Magazine



*Community News & Events*



*November 2022 to January 2023*



# David & Jean

thank you

It is a difficult task to summarise David and Jean's commitment and service to our village. However, it seems only fitting to share our heartfelt thanks in the magazine that they have created and edited for over 21 years and 83 editions.

The Acorn however, is only one of the many roles undertaken by this community-minded and dedicated couple. With David at the helm, they have organised cinema nights, race nights, golf tournaments and church events, including many a quiz or supper. He took the lead in the Millennium celebrations and has raised funds for so many local charities. They were also pivotally involved in establishing our wonderful village *Well Dressing Festival* and organising *The Remembrance Day Parade* and commemorations.

His garage was always stacked high with tables, stall paraphernalia and other essential equipment necessary for a lively community, an experience that many of our village volunteers will understand and sympathise with!

Anecdotes from friends and neighbours are numerous, but this one perhaps fittingly describes his fantastic sense of humour...

The Aston Bell Ringers wanted to raise money, and had come up with the brilliant idea of having a sponsored *Not Ring Event*. A date was announced for a 24-hour ringing session, where local people could sponsor silence in half-hour slots. David, living very close to the church at the time, was quick to book a couple of night spots to silence the bells, and commented to the organisers that if any slots remained available he would buy them all just to get some peace! We *think* the bell ringers have finally forgiven him!

Both David and Jean continue to work tirelessly for Aston, often quietly and unassumingly behind the scenes. Editing *The ACORN* is not an easy job, yet every quarter for 21 years the magazine appeared, beautifully crafted as if by magic.

Thank you David, thank you Jean. We wish you well.



Thank you Jean and David for starting and delivering the fabulous *ACORN* for so many years. Also, a big thank you for all your help and support with Recreation In Aston over the decades. We would like to wish you all the very best in your new ventures, *Barbara and Gavin James*

The Royal British Legion would like to extend our grateful thanks to David Brown for all his many years of committed service to producing *The ACORN* magazine. It has allowed us to inform the villagers of our activities and events and share in the local news of the many groups that make Aston on Trent such a great place to live.





# Aston on Trent Parish Council



**Chairman:** Cllr. Edward Hicklin, **Vice Chair:** Cllr. Tom Green, Cllr. Catherine Alberts, Cllr Dean Blood, Cllr. Sharon Bowler, Cllr. Bill Fereday, Cllr. Jean Longley, Cllr. Ken Raynor, Cllr Mike Selby

*We express our condolences to HM Queen Elizabeth II's family, following 70 years of exemplary service.*

The PC convenes monthly. All visitors are welcome, and attendance is highly encouraged.

**Next meetings:** 7.30pm on Tuesday 15th November and Tuesday 13th December in the Memorial Hall

## Parish News:

Alvaston Medical Centre (Aston On Trent Branch) have announced extended opening hours, including late nights on Tuesdays and Thursdays to 8pm, plus a Saturday every six weeks from 9am - 5pm.

A huge thanks to all who participated, supported and visited our *Annual Well Dressing Festival*, the first for 3 years. The village looked splendid, especially the church and village well displays and flower tower planters, a big thank you to all who donated to them. The repaired seating and play area and clearing of footpaths of excessive fauna have also aided the village outlook. Following recent incidents, wildlife cameras are now installed to deter fly tipping. Additionally, a replacement speed indicator device has been purchased and installation is imminent, in our continued campaign to reduce speeding in the village. Please respect our new road markings in the village centre, thank you.

**The PC will hear grant funding applications at the November meeting.** Applications are still being taken for worthy and community beneficial causes via the form available on the PC website.

**Parish Council Clerk:** Fiona Keppel-Spoor (t): 01332 793272 (e): [astonontrentpc@gmail.com](mailto:astonontrentpc@gmail.com)

# Recreation in Aston

To book the Recreation Centre go to: [www.therecreationcentre.co.uk/book](http://www.therecreationcentre.co.uk/book) or email [contact@therecreationcentre.co.uk](mailto:contact@therecreationcentre.co.uk) with any enquiries.



Recreation in Aston have enjoyed a quiet summer and are looking forward to an action-packed few months with *The Fish and Chip Quiz*, *Santa Around The Village* and our annual *Stand Up Comedy Night*. Please visit our website for more information about events, to book tickets and to view an up to date version of the Recreation Centre timetable.

Aston Village Cricket Club and Swarkestone Cricket Club have completed their 2022 fixtures and the new football season has commenced for Aston Village Football Club.

Contact details for all sports clubs can be found on our website.

Many of our trustees took part in the wonderful *Stephen Price Memorial 10K* and *2-Mile Family Fun Run* on 11th September. The race was a great success and we would like to thank all members of our community who supported Michelle Price and her family, either by volunteering or entering the race!

## Recreation in Aston Events

The Fish and Chip Quiz - Saturday 5th November  
Santa Around The Village - 17th & 18th December  
Stand Up Comedy Night - Thursday 26th January  
Soul and Motown Night - Friday 16th December - £4  
*This is not organised by RIA, please contact Steve Cooper - 07778 790633*

## Winter Timetable

MONDAY	10.30am - 11.30am	Strength and Balance
	4pm - 7pm	Escapade Dance
	7.30pm - 9.30pm	Table Tennis
TUESDAY	9.30am - 11.30am	Aston Tots Group
	12noon - 4pm	Tea Dance
	5.10pm - 6.10pm	ADS Fitness HIIT Class
WEDNESDAY	6.30pm - 7.15pm	Jungle Body Konga
	2pm - 6pm	Escapade Dance for Tots
		Escapade Dance for Adults
THURSDAY	10am - 12noon	Escapade Dance
	4pm - 7.30pm	Derbyshire Dragons
FRIDAY	10am - 11am	Zumba
	4pm - 8pm	Derbyshire Dragons
SATURDAY	9am - 11.30am	Escapade Dance





# Aston on Trent History Group



Our programme for 2023 is well under way and we have lots of great speakers over the coming months. We aim to cover all aspects of local history, delivered in an interesting and informal manner. Details of speakers will appear on village noticeboards soon, and our updated website is nearly ready. New additions to the website will include more gallery photos and information about the village.

Researching family history is both fascinating and frustrating. The further back you go the more challenging it becomes. We will be putting on a *Family History Session*, giving an introduction to the world of ancestry and free access to our online database. More details to follow.

In the meantime, our weekly *Archive Monday* offers a free drop-in service from 10am to 12 noon at the Heritage Centre. Explore our digital or hard-copy archive, while enjoying a free cuppa! A free advisory service to help understand tablet and mobile phone technology is also available. If you have Aston stories, documents or photos you wish to share with us please come along. [www.astonontrenthistory.org.uk](http://www.astonontrenthistory.org.uk)

## Friends of Aston Brickyard (FAB)

In October we celebrated our 10th year as the FAB Volunteer Team and it's the first time we've referred to our Local Nature Reserve (LNR) as 'distressing'. The summer heatwave and drought conditions have taken their toll on the site. Fallen, dead and dying trees, dropping pond levels and a seeming reduction in wildlife have impacted considerably. We pumped in an extra two thousand litres into the pond, which helped to a certain extent. The rigid, hornwort oxygenating plants have covered the pond, which reduced the evaporation and kept the water clarity high. Aquatics seem to have weathered the conditions and if you're patient you will still see an abundance of newts, diving beetles, whirligigs and other insect life.

Ash dieback has increased and DCC Rangers will be on site over the autumn and winter months to fell any dangerous trees. The wildflower meadow was put on stand-by due to the drought, so time will tell if our plants have survived. Unfortunately, most of the fifty-plus new saplings all suffered from lack of water, but they will be replaced next month with free trees, courtesy of the national I-DiG initiative. Follow us on Facebook for up to date information and to view some stunning wildlife photography. Feel free to add your photos and get in touch with the FAB team on: [astonbrickyard@gmail.com](mailto:astonbrickyard@gmail.com)

Thank you for all the positive comments we receive about the volunteerwork we do, it is much appreciated.

## Aston & Weston Bowls Club

2022 has been the most successful year of competitive bowling in the club's history with league winning performances in the Monday Singles League and the Wednesday Over 55s League! The Wednesday evening team won their Cup competition in a tense and well supported match. 38 of the 40 full playing members contributed in some competition or other across the season and many social members provided support at home and away matches - well done to everyone and many thanks. Club internal competitions concluded on the 4th September, Finals Day. An exciting afternoon of bowls was made tastier by a BBQ and a big audience. Work has now started to prepare the green, surrounding areas and the Clubhouse for the winter months. The AGM is due on the 26th October at the Clubhouse (7pm for a 7.30pm start) and the first of the closed season socials has been organised as a skittles evening on the 24th November. For all enquires please contact the Club Secretary Ken Raynor

[kencherril.raynor@gmail.com](mailto:kencherril.raynor@gmail.com)



## The War Memorial Hall

Aston on Trent War Memorial Hall is now available for private hire and parties.

[www.thewarmemorialhall.co.uk/book](http://www.thewarmemorialhall.co.uk/book)

(e): [aotwarmemorialhall@hotmail.com](mailto:aotwarmemorialhall@hotmail.com)

(t): 01332 792541 to speak to Dawn



## Aston on Trent Golf Society

**NEW MEMBERS WELCOME**

Please contact Steve or Paul and we will add you to our email fixtures list.

Steve Roberts (Captain) - 07773 985707  
Paul Moran (Vice Captain) - 07970 316000  
Clive Bowler (Treasurer) - 07798 882570  
Dave Neal (Secretary) - 07896 702473





# All Saints' Parish Church

One of the Trent and Derwent Parish Churches, serving Aston on Trent, Barrow on Trent, Elvaston, Shardlow, Swarkestone, Twyford and Weston on Trent.



Rector: The Rev'd Tony Luke (t): 01332 792658 (e): theramsrev@gmail.com

Assistant Priest: The Rev'd Paul Hygate (t): 01332 770574

## SUNDAY SERVICES

**Family Worship** every Sunday at 10.30am  
Communion on the 2nd and 4th Sundays

**Richmond Village Service** at 3pm  
on the 2nd Sunday of the month

## WEDNESDAY SERVICES

**Holy Communion** at 9.30am  
1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month

**Compline Night Prayer**  
6.45pm every week



## WHAT'S ON

Sunday 30th October at 10.30am  
Tide Patronal Festival

Wednesday 2nd November at 7.30pm  
Mass for the Commemoration of the Departed

Sunday 13th November at 10.45am  
Remembrance Day Service

Sunday 4th December at 10.30am  
Visit of the Bishop of Derby

Sunday 11th December at 10.30am  
Advent 3L Jesse Tree Family Service

Thursday 15th December at 7.30 pm  
Derwent Singers Carol Concert in Church

Tuesday 20th December at 6pm  
Carol singing at the Christmas tree

**Christmas Eve**  
Crib Service for all the family at 4pm  
Carols by Candlelight at 6.30pm  
Midnight Mass at 11.30pm

**Christmas Day at 10.30am**  
Family Communion



## Books in the Belfry

All Saints' Community Library  
Open for everyone in Aston to use, free of charge. Please place any returned books to the plastic tub, so that our librarian can sort them. We now have a children's section too. We are grateful for gifts of books for the library, but please do not bring us non-fiction books.



## The 200 CLUB

We welcome parishioners to join our 200 Club to raise money on a regular basis towards the continuing maintenance of our beautiful, ancient Church building. It costs £5 per month and the 1st prize is 20% of the month's takings. Contact Alison Wheeler on **01332 793492** for further information.

Lots more information on our website:  
[www.astonontrentchurch.org](http://www.astonontrentchurch.org)

 and give us a follow on facebook

### Wednesday Hub at the Heritage Centre

1st Wednesday: 10.00am: Open Café - Social time  
2nd Wednesday: 10.30am: Open Book: Bible exploration  
3rd Wednesday: 10.00am: Open Café - Social time  
4th Wednesday: 10.30am: Open Discussion

**CAMEO** (an informal group of women) 7.30pm on 1st Wednesday of the Month, in the Heritage Centre

**Mother's Union** 2.30pm on 4th Thursday of the Month, in the Heritage Centre

**Bellringers** Meet to practise on Mondays at 8pm

### The Aston Community Choir

Practise on Monday evenings at 7pm, in the Church



# RBL The Royal British Legion

Members of the RBL were deeply saddened by the death of our Patron, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. She was a driver and mechanic with the Auxillary Territorial Service during World War II and maintained her close commitment to the Armed Forces community during her entire reign. We will be thinking of not only the Fallen over the Remembrance Period, but also our late Queen and her extended family.

The Parade will be held on **Sunday 13th November** and our dedicated door-to-door poppy collectors will be out and about in the village leading up to Remembrance Sunday.

If you would like to join the RBL, new members are always welcome at our new venue, The Malt, on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7.30pm. Any enquiries, please contact our Secretary Katie on **07809 201624**.

## Aston on Trent Women's Institute



This year has had its ups and downs, with the sad passing of a fellow WI member, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. We have also made some happy memories including: Well Dressing, WI garden party, holidays, pub games evenings, our birthday party, Macmillan Coffee morning at Richmond and our coffee & chat mornings. We would like to thank everyone that has helped, attended, and supported all our events.

**Tuesday 1st November:** 10.30am to noon  
Coffee & Chat in The Heritage Centre  
*Join us and raise money for Derby Mountain Rescue*

**Monday 21st November:**  
Nottingham Greyhound Racing (revised date)

**Tuesday 13th December:**  
Christmas Party

**Saturday 11th February:** noon to 2pm  
Soup & Puds Fundraising Event in  
The War Memorial Hall

**Christmas Shopping!** Help WI raise funds when you shop online... Go to the **EasyFundraising** website or download the app and choose *Aston on Trent WI* from the menu and start shopping.

We meet at the Memorial Hall on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30PM. New members and guests are always welcome and it is free for your first three meetings. Wishing everyone a

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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## Aston on Trent Primary School

Thank you to everyone for the warm welcome in my first term as headteacher. I am pleased to report that the children have made a fantastic start to the school year! Our inner courtyard has been refurbished over the summer break and I would like to thank *Browns Builders Merchants* and *O'Connor Developments* for providing the materials and labour free of charge... We are so grateful to be part of such a kind and supportive community and look forward to welcoming you all to our Christmas Fair, run by our excellent Parent Association and held on 3rd December from 1pm to 4pm. All funds raised will go to improving the school. (t): **01332 799478**  
(e): [enquiries@aston-on-trent.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@aston-on-trent.derbyshire.sch.uk)

## Aston on Trent Ukulele Group

We meet in the Heritage Centre on Wednesday afternoons from 1pm - 3pm.

We welcome any age or ability... from those wanting to learn new skills up to experienced players, this is the group for you. We meet to play and sing together and have lots of fun at the same time! Please contact Duncan on **01332 835882** or email [idunsmith@gmail.com](mailto:idunsmith@gmail.com) for more information. We look forward to seeing you!



## 107th Derby Scouts and Trent Explorers

Both Scouts and Explorers enjoyed a sunny summer camp in Norfolk, featuring beaches, boats and the annual cooking competition. As autumn arrives, the Beavers are busy gaining badges and Cubs are enjoying spending time outside. Scouts helped raise funds for *Weston Church Community Orchard Project* and well done to the team of Explorers who came third in the *Gradbach Border Hike Competition*. In August, we were pleased to welcome members of our exchange troop from Derby, Connecticut. We shared a camp, an Alton Towers visit and a photo opportunity with the Mayor of Derby the Museum of Making.

Congratulations to Explorers Emma, Jude, Zade and Jack, who have been selected as part of the Derbyshire contingent to the 2023 World Scout Jamboree in Korea. They'll join 50,000 young people from around the world at the largest international camp since the pandemic. The group are currently busy fund-raising for their adventure. If any local groups or companies are able to help them, please do get in touch.



# Neighbourhood Watch



**AGM and Committee:** We will hold our AGM later in the year. We are in need of new committee members to enable *The Watch* to continue. In particular, we are in need of a Chair. *The Watch* has always been strong in the village, but needs some fresh faces to ensure viability in the long-term. Anyone interested, please call Tony on **01332 792114**.

**Membership:** The membership is always open. The formal renewal process runs every 2 years and your ongoing support is appreciated. Thanks to all co-ordinators, who put in their time to ensure the process works well. We continue to be the largest membership group in the village, with around 70% of households registered. Our communication method means we can distribute safety messages accurately and promptly to residents. If you are not a member and would like to be, please contact us and we will put you in touch with your local co-ordinator.

**Co-ordinators:** We desperately need coordinators for *Mulberry Way* and *Shirley Park*. The role is not onerous. **Could you help?** You would need to pass on messages to your neighbours, most easily done via email or via a secure group and collect subscriptions every 2 years. Residents will become vulnerable without someone coming forward. If you are interested in becoming more involved as a co-ordinator elsewhere, that would also be welcome, as some existing co-ordinators have large areas or are supporting households away from their own close neighbours.

**Messaging and Communication:** Messages coming in to our communication officer are checked regularly. Please remember that only crime or incident details that come from the Police, the victim or your co-ordinator will be circulated to members. Whilst we do keep an eye on social media, we will not take what's written there as permission to circulate to members. Experience has taught us that unfortunately we cannot always rely on all that we see. We are also signed up to the *Neighbourhood Alert System*, which ensures all official messages can be passed to members where appropriate.

**IMPORTANT UPDATE:** As we go into autumn and the nights get darker, opportunities rise for those who want to commit crimes. There are a few things you can do to improve safety for your vehicles and outbuildings:

1. Check security lights are working and clean. Where appropriate, consider installing localised CCTV
2. Check garages and shed locks and make sure they are secure
3. Don't leave valuables in vehicles
4. When leaving your vehicle, even for a short time, lock it behind you
5. If you are out and about please consider the use of some high visibility clothing, particularly for the more vulnerable and those out running. Torches and lights are useful to carry and all cyclists need to check their visibility before embarking on any journey.

**Scams on the increase:** Please be aware that scams relating to energy rebates are on the increase. Please check authenticity and don't provide banking details to ANYONE over the phone .

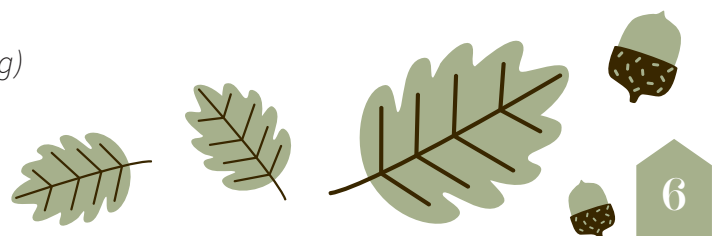
ALWAYS contact your energy supplier if you are in any doubt. If you are a victim of a crime, please don't forget to report the incident to your co-ordinator.

**Emergency calls 999**

**Non urgent calls 101** (101 calls are now free)

**Crime Stoppers 0800 555 111** (anonymous reporting)

ABOVE ALL **STAY SAFE**





## All Saints' Parish Church

Thursday 15th December at 7.30 pm  
Derwent Singers Carol Concert in Church.

Tuesday 20th December at 6pm  
Carol singing at the Christmas tree

Christmas Eve

Crib Service for all the family at 4pm  
Carols by Candlelight at 6.30pm  
Midnight Mass at 11.30pm

Christmas Day at 10.30am  
Family Communion



## Christmas Carols with Newhall Brass Band Thursday 22nd December, 2022

Please join us at any point along the route to  
the Christmas Tree (*Lanterns appreciated*)

START: 6.30pm Bus Stop at top of Derby Road

6.45pm: Corner of Moor Lane

7pm: Green Leas

7.15pm & 7.30pm: Compton Avenue 2 stops

7.45pm: Aston War Memorial Hall

8pm: The Christmas Tree

8.30pm: The White Hart Pub

(*More Carols and Bottle Raffle*)

All proceeds shared equally between All Saints'  
Church Aston and The Children's Society.

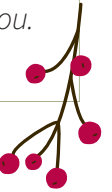


## Santa Around the Village 17th and 18th December 2022



This year, Recreation in Aston will be donating the money raised on *Santa Around the Village* to local village organisations. If you would like to benefit from donations, please go to our website and complete the application form. Forms must be completed by Friday November 18th. Successful applicants will be informed by Tuesday 29th November.

If you would like to join Santa's Elves and collect for Santa, please email us on [contact@therecreationcentre.co.uk](mailto:contact@therecreationcentre.co.uk). Collections will take place between 3pm and 9pm on Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th September. Please note Elves will be required to walk consistently for 6 hours. Any under 18s must be accompanied by an adult and only one child per adult. Please state your preference for Saturday or Sunday. We look forward to hearing from you.



## Living Advent Calendar

**Are looking for new recruits!** Would you like to illuminate the village with a wonderful Christmassy window display? If so, please get in touch ASAP and we will add you to our Living Advent Map! [astonslivingadventcalendar@gmail.com](mailto:astonslivingadventcalendar@gmail.com)

Aston Welldressers Present  
**Christmas Aston Fair & Market**  
At Aston War Memorial Hall  
Sunday 20th Nov  
11am - 5pm

- Stalls, Stalls • Bratwurst
- More Stalls! • Veggie Dogs
- Music • Mulled Wine
- Drinks • Snacks

A free event for the entire family to enjoy!  
Chellaston Lane, A.O.T. DE72 2AX  
For more information/stall booking call Harvey on 07818 524008  
or our FB Page: Aston on Trent Well Dressing

## The Bell ringers of Aston All Saints' Church invite you to take part in the 49th Village Walk on 27th December 2022

**Start at the Memorial Hall between 10am and 10:45am**  
Not walking? Join us in the Memorial Hall for refreshments from 10am  
£2 per adult to take part... Under 16s go free!  
*Distribution of proceeds from the Village Walk go to village groups.*

If you wish to apply for a proportion of the profits from the village walk please contact Colin Stubbs by email: [colin@the-stubbs.me.uk](mailto:colin@the-stubbs.me.uk) or call: **01332 793109** as soon as possible and no later than December 1st 2022. *Applications received after this date cannot be considered.*

Please note that ANY village organisation may apply for funding, regardless of how many times they might have received funding in the past. Please state what the funding would be used for and how much you are seeking.

*Beneficiaries may be required to give some assistance on the day of the walk*





## Aston and Weston Methodist Church *Minister: Rev Sally Ratcliffe: 01332 405286*

Sadly, after much discussion, thought and prayer the Church Council has made the difficult decision to use just one building from the end of November for its worship and mission. As the majority of the members now live around Weston, and there is an active Girls Brigade Company based at the church, the building on Main Street, Weston will become the centre for the Church's witness and service. The use of the building on The Green at Aston will come to an end. It's not the Church that's closing - only the building. Due mainly to the pandemic numbers attending and income have fallen significantly, and have not recovered, so something had to be done. A service of Thanksgiving for the worship and mission at Aston over 193 years will be held early in 2023. **Café Church: November 13th at 4.30pm**

## Aston TOTS Playgroup

It's our favourite time of year at playgroup!

We have lots of great plans for the next few months including Halloween fun, bonfire night crafts and lots of exciting Christmas activities. We are holding a book sale, selling lovely gifts for your little ones and hopefully once again, a visit from Santa!

Please do join us to play. We have lots of toys and snacks and meet twice a week (ages 0-5). For more information contact [lynseymccarthy@hotmail.com](mailto:lynseymccarthy@hotmail.com).

 /Aston Tots Please give us a follow on Facebook

## Aston on Trent Parent's Association

This is always an exciting time of the year for ASPA, where we start thinking about all the things we want to plan in for the rest of the year. In September, it was lovely to see our new Headteacher, Mr Moore, at his first ASPA meeting. He had a great *wish list* for school that we can't wait to start helping to achieve! Our fundraising activities have already started, with the launch of the annual *Personalised Christmas Gift Event*. Make sure you get your order in for those special, personalised Christmas cards and trinkets.

We are also pleased to announce that our Halloween Disco is back! We know the children have really missed this during covid times and we can't wait for this spooktacular evening, as an exciting way to break up for half term.

Our Christmas Fair is scheduled for December 3rd from 1pm - 4pm. Please pop it in your diary now and head down for some great gift shopping and possibly even a chat with the big man himself! We would also like to say a massive thank you for all the support the local community show us each year, especially at the moment, when we appreciate the cost of living might be making things difficult. We have been working on ways where we can return this favour and have been pleased with the success of our *nearly new uniform sales*. Please get in touch if there is something you need. Any over-stock has been donated to a local charity that support families in low income communities. Also remember to add us on Easyfundraising and Amazon Smile to help make a few extra pennies!



## Aston on Trent Village Cricket Club

It's always sad when the nights start drawing in and the cricket season finishes. However, we can look back on the 2022 season with a great deal of pride, in light of the progress the club has made. The men's friendly team welcomed several new players, who helped the team to improve results, culminating in a resounding victory at Melbourne in our final match. We also enjoyed several new fixtures, with clubs like *Shipleigh Hall*, hosting us at their ground. For 8 Thursday evenings this summer, we had over 60 enthusiastic children participating in our AllStars and Dynamos programs. Thanks go to all the club members and parents who helped with the coaching and organising of these sessions.

We have held a number of fundraising events in 2022, starting with the popular *Race Night* in March and finishing with the keenly contested match with the Golf Society in September. All funds raised will be reinvested into the club, particularly to enable us to promote inclusivity and develop our junior, senior and ladies sections.

Speaking of the ladies team, aka *Aston Powers*, we have been delighted with the uptake on Ladies soft-ball cricket. Starting as a bit of fun at a cricket festival on the park in May, they have become a strong squad of players, who practised hard throughout the summer and entered several festivals, rounding off the season with a couple of victories at the Swarkestone CC festival!

The ladies will be playing winter, indoor cricket at Willows starting on 16th October, and we will also be holding winter net sessions at Chellaston Academy on Saturday afternoons from January onwards - all are welcome. We are also committed to holding AllStars and Dynamos sessions again in the summer of 2023. If you are interested in becoming involved in any aspect of our cricket club, please get in touch.  /aotvcc  
[www.aotvillagecc.play-cricket.com](http://www.aotvillagecc.play-cricket.com)  
or call Ian Dunn on **01332 799948**.



## The Linda Cooper School of Dance

Examiner NATD BA Hons  
AIDTA D.Ex.dip  
Royal Academy of Dance  
Mutually Recognised Teacher  
Brings to Aston on Trent  
The Royal Academy of Dance

### Silver Swans

Ballet for the Over 50's  
Now is your time to shine,  
come and join us  
at Aston on Trent Memorial Hall  
Thursdays (Term Time) 2pm to 3pm  
Private Lessons for all ages  
Mondays by appointment  
Enquiries to Linda Cooper

01332 870049

07718 655575

[lindacooper46@aol.com](mailto:lindacooper46@aol.com)

## Aston on Trent Post Office

Convenience Store open every day from 6am - 8pm



Newspapers Delivery Service  
Stationary & Greetings Cards  
Daily Fresh Atkins Bread and Fresh Milk  
Medicines & Household products  
NEW GO LOCAL OFFERS

01332 792333 and  
[Heiranvagh@gmail.com](mailto:Heiranvagh@gmail.com)



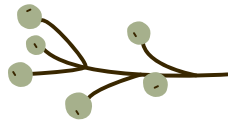
### Post Office hours

Monday to Friday: 9am to 5:45pm  
Saturday: 9am to 12:45pm  
Sunday: Closed

National Lottery & Health Lottery  
Free Cash Withdrawals from 9am  
Euros on demand and by order  
Ebayers parcel welcomed.

### Mail Collections

Monday to Friday: 12noon & 5pm  
Saturday: 12noon



## The Secret Garden

Monday - 9am - 6pm  
Tuesday - 9am - 6pm  
Wednesday - 9am - 7pm  
Thursday - 9am - 7pm  
Friday - 9am - 5pm  
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# Village Calendar

Sunday 30th October	Tide Patronal Festival	All Saints' Parish Church	10.30am
Tuesday 1st November	WI Coffee & Chat	The Heritage Centre	10.30am - 12noon
Wednesday 2nd November	Hub Open Café: Social Time	The Heritage Centre	10am
	Mass for the Commemoration of the Departed	All Saints' Parish Church	7.30pm
	CAMEO	The Heritage Centre	7.30pm
Saturday 5th November	Fish and Chip Supper Quiz	The Recreation Centre	7.30pm
Wednesday 9th November	Hub Open Café: Open Book, Bible Exploration	The Heritage Centre	10.30am
Sunday 13th November	Remembrance Day Parade	The Malt Car Park	Time TBC
	Remembrance Day Service	All Saints' Parish Church	10.45am
	Richmond Village Service	Richmond Villages	3pm
	Café Church	Aston Methodist Church	4.30pm
Monday 14th November	The Royal British Legion	The Malt	7.30pm
Tuesday 15th November	Parish Council Meeting	The War Memorial Hall	7.30pm
Wednesday 16th November	Hub Open Café: Social Time	The Heritage Centre	10am
Sunday 20th November	Chrismaston Fair and Market	The War Memorial Hall	11am - 5pm
Monday 21st November	WI Nottingham Greyhound Races Visit	Nottingham Races	Time TBC
Wednesday 23rd November	Hub Open Discussion	The Heritage Centre	10.30am
Thursday 24th November	Mother's Union	The Heritage Centre	2.30pm
	Skittles Evening	Aston & Weston Bowls Club	7pm
Thursday 1st December	Aston Living Advent Calendar BEGINS!	1st Window TBC	TBC
Saturday 3rd December	Christmas Fair	Aston Primary School	1pm - 4pm
Sunday 4th December	Bishop of Derby Visit	All Saints' Parish Church	10.30am
Wednesday 7th December	Hub Open Café: Social Time	The Heritage Centre	10am
	CAMEO	The Heritage Centre	7.30pm
Sunday 11th December	Advent 3: Jesse Tree Family Service	All Saints' Parish Church	10.30am
	Richmond Village Service	Richmond Villages	3pm
Monday 12th December	The Royal British Legion	The Malt	7.30pm
Tuesday 13th December	Parish Council Meeting	The War Memorial Hall	7.30pm
	WI Christmas Party	The War Memorial Hall	7.30pm
Wednesday 14th December	Hub Open Café: Open Book, Bible Exploration	The Heritage Centre	10.30am
Thursday 15th December	Derwent Singers Carol Concert	All Saints' Parish Church	7.30pm
Friday 16th December	Soul and Motown Night	The Recreation Centre	7.30pm
Saturday 17th December	Santa Around the Village	Starts at The Malt	3pm - 8pm
Sunday 18th December	Santa Around the Village	Starts at Richmond Villages	3pm - 8pm
Tuesday 20th December	Carol Singing at the Christmas Tree	The Christmas Tree	6pm
Wednesday 21st December	Hub Open Café: Social Time	The Heritage Centre	10am
Thursday 22nd December	Mother's Union	The Heritage Centre	2.30pm
	Christmas Carols with Newhall Brass Band	Top of Derby Road	6.30pm
Saturday 24th December	Crib Service for all the Family	All Saints' Parish Church	4pm
	Carols by Candlelight	All Saints' Parish Church	6.30pm
	Midnight Mass	All Saints' Parish Church	11.30pm
Sunday 25th December	Family Communion	All Saints' Parish Church	10.30am
Tuesday 27th December	49th Aston Village Walk	The War Memorial Hall	10am
Wednesday 4th January	Hub Open Café: Social Time	The Heritage Centre	10am
	CAMEO	The Heritage Centre	7.30pm
Sunday 8th January	Richmond Village Service	Richmond Villages	3pm
Monday 9th January	The Royal British Legion	The Malt	7.30pm
Wednesday 11th January	Hub Open Café: Open Book, Bible Exploration	The Heritage Centre	10.30am
Monday 16th January	Well Dressing Committee Meeting	The Malt	8pm
Wednesday 18th January	Hub Open Café: Social Time	The Heritage Centre	10am
Wednesday 25th January	Hub Open Discussion	The Heritage Centre	10.30am
Thursday 26th January	Mother's Union	The Heritage Centre	2.30pm
	Stand up Comedy Night	The Recreation Centre	7.30pm

**MONDAYS:** Archive Mondays at the Heritage Centre: 10am - 12noon  
Aston Community Choir from 7pm and Bellringers from 8pm at All Saints' Parish Church  
Cubs 6.30pm - 8pm and Explorers 8pm - 9.30pm at The War Memorial Hall

**TUESDAYS:** Beavers 5.45pm - 7pm and Scouts 7.15pm - 9pm at The War Memorial Hall

**WEDNESDAYS:** Aston Ukulele Group at The Heritage Centre from 1pm to 3pm and Compline Night Prayer at All Saints' Parish Church from 6.45pm

**FRIDAYS:** Scouts 7.30pm - 9pm at The War Memorial Hall

**SUNDAYS:** Sunday Service at All Saints' Parish Church from 10.30am