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Your FREE Community Newsletter



Eatons Community Association - Registered Charity No.1110148

September - November 2014

May Day (Photos by Angela Donnelly)



left to right - Jessica, Caitlin and Irene

Sun, sun and more sun – what a wonderful day !

Monday 5th May saw our annual May Day celebrations on Eaton Socon Green and what a lovely day with lots of local entertainment, stalls and our history exhibition. Thank you to Heartsease Folk

Dancers, Sentinels Majorettes, Fantazee Dancers, SJ School of Dance, Riverside Theatre, West Street Studio, Vox Forty singers, and two local bands - 'Three Steps' and 'Rumour Has It'. What an amazing group of talented local entertainers !

At 2pm the retiring May Queen, Eve Peacock, presented the crown and sash to the new May Queen Caitlin Goudie, who was escorted by the two princesses Jessica Riddy and Irene Petrie. Caitlin then presented the retiring May Queen with a necklace donated by Johnsons Jewellers of St Neots.

The Eatons Community Cup was presented by the new May Queen to Brian Elliott of Eaton Socon who has given a great deal of time to voluntary work at St Marys Church, Eaton Socon. Brian is a local person who went to Eaton Socon Primary School and has spent his life in the village helping the church in many ways. He has been an inspiration to past and present vicars for many years and ESCA's Chairman Sue Jarrett said 'We are delighted to be able to award the Eatons Community Cup to such a hard working person who gives so much to the church.'



Open Gardens

No umbrellas and no Wellington boots this year – the sun shone and the open gardens in June were wonderful. Visitors from miles around came to visit our selection of beautiful

gardens and everyone did us proud. If you opened your garden we thank you very much for all your efforts. Every garden was different and with cups of tea, home made cake and ice cream the afternoon passed very quickly and lots of money was raised. A big thank you to all the gardeners and all the visitors. All the money raised this year from the Open Gardens will be used towards defibrillators for the Eatons and the local Foodbank.

NEAT STREET Award 2014

Well done Wheatsheaf Road – the winners of this year's Neat Street Award. This year we had two new judges who had never been involved before and they were very impressed. The judges once again commented on how clean the streets were and the effort everyone had made. Thank you to all the streets who entered and who made a difference to their area. And a big thank you to anyone who picks up the odd bit of litter on our streets. It makes the Eatons a better place to live.



ESCA AGM

October 20th – 7.30 pm Eaton Socon Church

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If you have any news or views please send to the Chairman no later than 20th October 2014 for inclusion in the next issue.

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Useful Websites

ESCA	www.escan.org.uk
St Neots Town Council	www.stneots-tc.gov.uk
Eaton Socon Health Centre	www.eatonsoconhealthcentre.co.uk
Cedar House Surgery	www.cedarhousesurgery.net
St Neots Archives	www.st-neots.ccan.co.uk
Paxton Pits	www.paxton-pits.org.uk
Sudbury Meadow	www.sudburymeadow.org.uk
St Marys Church	www.eatonsocon.org
Everyclick	www.everyclick.com
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Duloe, Staploe and Honeydon	www.staploeduloeandhoneydonparishcouncil.bedsparishes.gov.uk
St Neots Time Bank	www.stneotstimebank.org.uk
River Church	www.riverchurch.eu
Battle the Boredom	www.battletheboredom.com



Who's Who at ESCA

<i>Chairman</i>	Sue Jarrett	01480 216065
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<i>ESCAN Co-ordinators</i>	Kate Norden	01480 470039
	Carole Robson	01480 218755

Hanover Knitters

Meets on the first Tuesday of the month at Hanover Close in Eaton Ford. Evening meeting, all ages welcome. For details please call Angela on 01480 405639

Dates for your diary

St Mary's Eaton Socon Church

- Sep 13th **Ground Force Day**. Tidying Churchyard, sausage and bacon rolls provided – 9am-1pm
- Sep 27th **Harvest Festival Concert** in support of a team of young people who are raising money for a trip to Africa to work with African orphans – 7pm
- Sep 28th **Combined Harvest Festival Service** – 10.30am
- Nov 2nd **Service of Memories**. For those who have been bereaved to come together to thank God for the life of their loved one – 6pm
- Nov 9th **Remembrance Day Service** – 3pm
- Nov 22nd **Christmas Fayre** – 10am-2pm
- Contact office for further details (352154).

St. Neots Choral Society and Sinfonia

- Sat Nov 8th **Autumn Concert** – Bruch violin concerto, Soloist Jan Kaznowski, Brahms symphony No. 1 – Eaton Socon Church – 7.30pm
- Sat Nov 29th **Handel** - Judas Maccabaeus – Eaton Socon Church, 7.30pm
- Sat Dec 20th Carol Concert – Eaton Socon Church – 6pm
book tickets early

Meet your councillor

If you would like to ask your town or district councillor a question or have any concerns then why not email them - using the email contacts on the Town Council website or phone them on -

Eaton Ford	Bob Farrer	01480 404014
	David Harty	01480 477202
	Bill Hodges	01480 394109
	Colin Thompson	01480 477406
	Graham Welton	07732 131563
Eaton Socon	Nick Berry	01480 471194
	Stephen Davison	07752 264983
	Roger Harrison	07717 666238
	Keith Prentice	01480 214838

Textile Bank Money

Yes, there is a little money once again from the Textile Bank at Tesco Express in Eaton Socon. A big thank you if you have put textiles in the bank. Elsewhere in the town the money goes to HDC or to the supermarkets but our money comes back to us. We have received a few hundred pounds this year which will be shared out between local groups and the Town Council have also kindly given us some money to help small groups. So if you would like a few pounds to help with a small project please contact ESCA saying how much you would like and what it will be used for. Deadline – September 30th. All requests will be considered and money given out at the ESCA AGM.



DOROTHY DANCING CLUB

Join this friendly modern sequence dancing

at Jubilee Hall, Eaton Socon
Tues 8pm-10.30pm
Admission £2.50 includes tea and biscuits
Contact Mr Mike Bullen for more information Tel 01480 213770 (evenings)



Copy date for the next edition of ESCAN for news, adverts and information – 20th October 2014.

Please send ESCAN letters & Adverts to ESCA, 3 Collingwood Rd, Eaton Socon, St Neots, PE19 8JQ Email – eatonsca@gmail.com

● Chairman's Spot ●

This summer has flown past and events in the town and in the Eatons have come thick and fast.

The St George's weekend Celebrations in Eynesbury were once again a success as well as the Edwardian Festival in the market square, the annual Regatta and the various events hosted by the Town Council – the business showcase, the food and wine festival, and the dragon boat races and summer festival.

The Eatons have had their May Day celebrations, a successful history exhibition and new book, the Eatons Open Gardens, the Neat Street Competition and the village Lock up has been open on several occasions. In July we also joined in with the Edwardian Festival and we dressed up in dresses, aprons, mop hats and bonnets, at least the ladies did. The men were also suitably dressed – did you see Nick Berry in his wonderful suit! Our May Queen, Caitlin, and princess Jessica came along and ran our very successful Edwardian games – Bagatelle and Shove Ha'penny with real ha'pennies. Together with their enthusiastic families we had a great time and met many lovely people.

I am sure that we have all enjoyed our summer sunshine, and are now looking forward to a quieter autumn.

Sue, ESCA Chairman

Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)

The new CAB centre is now permanently based in a portacabin in the Tan Yard car park, near Waitrose, PE19 1AN

Advice helpline – landline 0844 2451292
– mobile 0300 3300 650

Drop in sessions Tues and Thurs 9.30-12.30



ESCA AGM and Cheese and Wine October 20th 7.30pm Eaton Socon Church

If you would like to be involved with the Eatons Community Association or have some great ideas for the Eatons then why not come along to the AGM to find out more.

Everyone welcome

Can you play Badminton?

St. Neots Badminton Club is looking for new members. We meet at One Leisure, St. Neots on Monday and Wednesday evenings 8-10pm. If you can play badminton and wish to dust off your racquet contact Laurie Parnham on l.parnham1@ntlworld.com



Eaton Socon Charities

Once again the Eaton Socon Charities are able to consider giving a small grant later this year. Formed from various church charities that once gave out coal and bread to people in the parish who might benefit, the charities now distribute funds in late autumn.

Grants are available to people living within Eaton Socon Parish which includes Eaton Ford, Cross Hall, Duloe, Staploe, Honeydon, Begwary, Tythe, Basmead, Bushmead, Goodwick and Wyboston.

If you would like to be considered for a small grant please ask at the Eaton Socon Post Office for a form or if you have any queries please telephone Joan Squire on 01234 378894.

Closing date for entries – 24th October 2014

ESCAN Deliveries

Do you want to become one of our kind volunteers who like to have a walk and deliver a few newsletters? We have a growing team of volunteers who deliver and a small team who count and bag the ESCANS, so if you would like to help please let ESCA know.

May Day Thanks

May Day cannot happen without a large amount of work behind the scenes from the committee and all those who help to make the event special. Thanks are due to Janet Endersby for the engraving of the Community Cup, Cate Munro for compering, Johnsons Jewellers for the May Queen's necklace, St Mary's Church for the use of the church over the weekend, members of the St Neots Local History Club for their help, the Red Cross, H.E. Payne of Wyboston for the use of a lorry, St Neots Town Council and the Priory Centre for all their help, and the many volunteers who made the day such a success. Thanks are also due to local shops and businesses who gave raffle prizes and tombola prizes.

This year's history exhibition included a large amount of information and exhibits from the well known 'Sunny Smile' toy factory which was once on the site of Capulet Close. Chris Hoefkens, whose family ran the business for many years thoroughly enjoyed meeting everyone who came along and shared their memories. We are trying to arrange a new date where he will come along again to see everyone.

St Mary's Eaton Socon Bell Appeal

The permission for the repair of the bells has been granted and Rev Tim Robb is liaising with Taylor's Bell Foundry who will be undertaking the repairs. Taylor's in Loughborough recast the bells in 1932 after the great church fire in 1930 so we welcome the chance for them to repair and retune the bells. I am sure that we are all keen to hear our newly tuned bells!

St Neots Food Bank

The Food Bank is now open for one extra session each week, aiming to provide emergency food for three days to individuals and families identified by care officials. A fourth session is planned for the autumn.



Distribution Centres

Tues – United Reformed Church 10am – 12noon
Thurs – Berkley Street Methodist Chapel 4pm – 6pm
Fri – St Mary's Church, Eaton Socon 10am – 12 noon

Food Bank Office - open Mon, Tues and Friday 10am– 12noon

When you are shopping why not buy a little something extra and pop it in the Food Bank box in your supermarket. A shopping list of items can be found on the website - stneots.foodbank.org.uk

For more information about the bank or if you wish to help in any way please phone 01480 475426 or email info@stneots.foodbank.org.uk

Beware of scams!

Please be careful of people wanting to get your bank cards and their details. Banks will never ask for pin numbers and if a person phones you about a problem with your card be very wary and do not reveal any of your card details.

No one should collect your cards for whatever reason and if you are at all concerned about a possible scam please contact the police who can then investigate.

Volunteer for Age UK Cambridgeshire & make a difference!



Age UK Cambridgeshire is urgently seeking volunteers to visit people in later life who are faced with isolation and loneliness. Each volunteer can make such a difference by visiting someone for once a week for an hour. It could be for a chat, cup of tea, game of cards or perhaps a trip out.

Volunteers are needed in the St Neots area so if you think you can help please contact the Volunteer Organiser, Dee Potter, on 0845 521 3481 or email dee.potter@ageukcambridgeshire.org.uk who will be pleased to discuss the opportunity with you and the application process.

The Eatons Community Centre



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details or contact Lisa Newman,
cambsfhs@hotmail.co.uk.

Post Box Update

I am sure you are all aware that our some of our postboxes still need to be painted. It is nearly two years since we asked for them to be painted and we are still trying !! We have received apologies for the lack of progress but no actual action. It makes you wonder if there is any other action we can take. Follow our progress (or lack of progress) on the Shape Your Place website!



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The Pightle Millennium Green – Eaton Socon

We've certainly had a very colourful year so far in the Pightle. The snakeshead fritillary planted by our volunteers gave a lovely show back in the spring, and since then a whole host of meadow flowers have appeared such as field scabious and cranesbill. Others can be found in the more wooded areas, including the remarkable Giant Mullion. The children from Bushmead managed to find thirty-four on their visit but we're sure sharp eyed visitors can equal that! It's also been a good time to go looking for butterflies; it may need patience but it's fascinating tracking down the wide variety that live in and around the Pightle. Many were very common around the edges of fields, but are harder to find nowadays with increasing development.



You'll also need sharp eyes to see that a number of our trees have acquired personalities of their own! There are now some special carved faces up in the trees – all friendly, of course! – so why not bring the youngsters down to find them? When the trees are in fruit you're also welcome to help yourselves to an apple or two. Also, by the time you read this we should have a beautiful decorated memorial bench in place for those who prefer to sit and enjoy the tranquillity.



Sadly the demands of work mean I've reached the end of my spell as Chair of the Pightle Trust. It's been a pleasure and a privilege to work with so many people who have supported us, and to spend so much time in our little green oasis. I've also learnt an awful lot! I will still be helping out, from writing about all the things you

can find to planting more for subsequent years; maybe I'll see some of you in the autumn when the next batch of bulbs arrive? And of course our dog couldn't let me forget the best place to go for a long walk...

Julia Hayward

Trustee – The Pightle Millennium Green Trust
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Sep 25th **A.G.M.** and suggestions of topics for open meetings and places to visit for next year

Competition...One class of Flowers taken from the 2014 summer show schedule

Oct 23rd **Growing Penstemons for Pleasure** by Roger Skipper

Competition... A photo of your garden etc. taken in 2014, size 6x4ins.

Nov 27th **Social Evening** – Competition...An Xmas table decoration

Members £2.00, Non-Members £2.50

which includes refreshments and a raffle ticket

Contact – Chairman David Usher Tel 01480 476671

Pal of the Pightle

The Pightle here in Eaton Socon is enjoyed by many and relies on volunteer help to keep it maintained for the enjoyment of us all. The Pightle is NOT a Council owned facility and therefore has to rely on volunteer help.

We need regular finance to pay for items like grass cutting, maintaining the paths, planting new bulbs and trees as well as the annual insurance that has to be paid.

Can you help by becoming a "Pal of The Pightle"?

A "one off" donation or a small regular monthly contribution would be of great benefit for the long term success of The Pightle. Please send this off to Mrs Julia Hayward (Trustee of The Pightle Trust) 11 Collingwood Rd, Eaton Socon PE19 8JQ

Dear Trustee Julia,

I would like to become a "Pal Of The Pightle"

A) Please accept a donation of £_____ as a "one Off" donation to help maintain The Pightle.

B) I would like to donate £_____ per month to help maintain The Pightle.(Please send me your bank details so I can set up a standing order)

Name.....(surname and initials)

Date.....

Address and Postcode.....

Email.....

Please make any cheques payable to ' The Pightle Millennium Green Trust'.

If you would like to Gift Aid your contribution so that The Pightle trustees can claim back a tax contribution from The Government please read and sign below.

I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for the current tax year (6 April – 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for the current tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I have given.

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Defibs for the Eatons

Well done to everyone who contributed towards defibrillators in the Eatons. We are now awaiting news of when they will be fitted and further news will be posted on our website when we know more.

St Neots TIME BANK

'Volunteers are not paid because they are priceless' and the time bank now has over 80 priceless members and over 1,000 hours have been exchanged. This is wonderful news and all Time Bankers should be proud. If you wish to be involved in giving a little bit of time to help others in return for getting a job done then don't be shy, nervous or embarrassed – sign up, make new friends and be part of a community. Age and ability are no obstacle - All you need is spare time. No money is needed other than for materials – this is VOLUNTARY. The Time Bank offers - full insurance security, access to training, the opportunity to meet other people and becoming involved in community projects and events. No job is too small - change a light bulb, need a phone call, Hoover etc. and you do not need credit to ask.

If you are interested in voluntary work and banking the 'hours' spent so you can also benefit, then email: timevolunteers@hotmail.co.uk or Tel: 07590 909057 to join or for further details.

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Help with your Computer



Have you got a computer, a laptop or a tablet which you find hard to use or you do not know how to log on, send an email, search the net, download your photos or start online shopping? You may not even know how to scroll, use the mouse or press the return button.

If so, go and ask at the library for free friendly advice on Tuesdays from 10 till 12:30. The library now has wifi so you can bring in your laptop and tablet and log on to the internet free of charge. No booking is required, and whether you are a complete novice or an improver the library volunteers are keen to help.

Your "Library at Home Service"

Cambridgeshire Libraries offer a home delivery service for people who can no longer use the library because of mobility problems, ill health or because they have full time (unpaid) caring duties. This works in partnership with the volunteer library visitors to make sure that people who have particular problems in visiting a library do not miss out on a regular supply of books or audio books.

Books can be chosen by the reader and delivered free of charge to your home by volunteers. For more information contact Jakki Racey 077892 73903, your library@cambridgeshire.gov.uk, 0345 045 5225 or your local library.

St Neots Coffee Pot Memory Café, Musical Memories and more !

The Coffee Pot Memory Club is a growing club for those with memory problems and their carers. Run by volunteers and carers, and supported by St Neots Rotarians, this group holds various events during the month –

The Memory Café – 2nd Wed at the Berkley Street Methodist Church, Eynesbury 11am – 12.30.

Musical Memories – 4th Wed at Peppercorns Music Academy, Little End Rd, Eaton Socon – 11am – 12.30

Lunch Club – 1st Thurs – Eaton Oak 12noon for 12.30 lunch

All those with memory problems and their carers, will be very welcome at all these events so why not go along and meet some friendly faces - please phone Wendy on 01480 219925, or Nell on 01480 472495 for more details.

To raise money for the group a monthly Craft and Gift Fair is held at the United Reformed Church on the 2nd Saturday of the month 9am – 2pm. Admission is Free and refreshments are served.

For details or to book a stall ring Mary on 07717 158549 or email: maryjdcruz@gmail.com



St Neots Astronomy Association

If you fancy learning more about stars and the universe why not go along to this new group which meets once a month at Paxton Pits Nature Reserve – usually on the first Monday of the month.

Newcomers are welcome - £25 per year or visitors paying £2 on observing meetings and £5 on speaker meetings. If you wish to go along, make new friends and learn more about astronomy then log onto – www.snaa.co.uk

Across the UK more than 16,000 Home-Start volunteers visit families at home each week, supporting parents in situations as diverse as isolation, bereavement, multiple births, illness, disability or who are just finding parenting a struggle. They provide non-judgemental practical and emotional support and help build the family's confidence and ability to cope.



One of the families Home-Start Cambridgeshire supported within the last 12 months said "Before Home-Start I was lonely, sad, depressed, hopeless, I couldn't see anything positive in life but now it's all opposite. It has made a big difference to my family. I feel better, my kids are happier".

All volunteers are carefully recruited and selected, and attend an initial course of preparation before being matched with one or sometimes two families. They need to be a parent or have parenting experience. Parents who have been visited may also become volunteers. The course includes Safeguarding (refreshed yearly), Child Development and Play, First Aid, etc.

Susi Cracroft, Senior Co-Ordinator, says, "Our volunteers can't commit to helping for the rest of their lives, so we are always looking to recruit new volunteers. There are also opportunities for fund raising, helping out at stay and play groups, trips or Christmas parties or even assisting us in the office". Please help Home-Start continue as one of the UK's leading family support charities by becoming a "Friend of Home-Start Cambridgeshire".

Anyone interested in either becoming a volunteer, receiving help themselves or getting involved with Home-Start Cambridgeshire should phone 01480 700242, e-mail office@homestartwcfnf.org or visit our St Neots office at 32 St Mary's Street, Eynesbury, St Neots, Cambridgeshire, PE19 2TA.

Dates for History Groups

St Neots Local History Association

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

Chairperson – Elaine Donaldson 01480 217492

- Sep 5th **St. Neots in the Great War** – Gleanings from the St. Neots Advertiser - by Sue Jarrett
- Oct 3rd **Barretts – 25 Years of a Local Family Business** – by Alan Huckle
- Nov 7th **An Officer and a Gentleman: 2** – Aviators in World War 1 and World War 2 - by Roger Lievers

Colmworth & Neighbours History Society

Monthly meetings at Colmworth Village Hall at 7.30pm

Chairperson – Stephen Smith 01234 376487

- Sep 19th **AGM** – Supper & Speaker: Dr. Stephen Carver – The Battle of Britain (book in advance for meal)
- Oct 17th **Folk Songs of Rural England** by Liz Luder
- Nov 21st **Hunts Cyclists in the First World War** – by Martyn Smith

Roxton & District Local History Group

Monthly meetings at Roxton Parish Hall at 7.30pm

Contact either P. Newell: 01234 870158

or Stella Gibbs 01480 351931

- Sep 4th **The Air War over the Western Front and the development of the early Air Force** by Barry Tomlinson
- Oct 2nd **Milestones and Turnpikes in the local history of this area** by Michael Knight
- Nov 6th **The Rise and Fall of the Cardington Airships** by David Fowler
- Dec 4th **AGM** and social, with light refreshments

Guiding in Eaton Socon

A New Trefoil Guild!

Eaton Socon now has its very own Trefoil Guild. Many people have the misconception that the Trefoil Guild is where 'Old Guiders' go when they finish Guiding... Well they'd be wrong!

The Trefoil Guild is open to everyone over 18 years of age – whether you have been a guide or guider or always wished you had gone to Guides. We are a very new group and currently all from Guiding in one way or another. We want to have some fun and take advantage of the many opportunities to be found through the Guild while at the same time supporting the Guiding activities in Eaton Socon. Meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month starting on September 2nd at the Rivermill Tavern, Eaton Socon - 7.30pm so why not come along, find new friends and take part in the fun!

email: eatonsocontrefoilguild@gmail.com

Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Senior Section (Rangers)

Needed – more leaders to help with all our groups! With the departure of some of our leaders we are desperately looking for any non-active members to come forward to enable us to continue with some groups and also to set up some new ones for Rainbows, Brownies and the Senior Section, in particular.

- Rainbows - one unit which meets on Wednesdays
- Brownies - three Brownie Packs - Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
- Guides - Thursdays
- Senior Section - currently dormant but previously met on Thursdays

If you are interested in helping with a unit or sending your daughter to one then please visit the guiding website <http://www.girlguiding.org.uk> and click on the Parents link. For full details of spaces and times available, please contact our local District Commissioner, Helen Sergeant hsarge@uwclub.net or Allison Lewis 1steatonsoconguides@gmail.com



Tiddlers & Toddlers

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

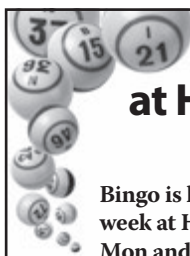
Term-time at the Jubilee Hall Eaton Socon

Everyone is welcome

We run from 9:30 – 11:30 am

Nominal charge £2.50 per family (includes drink & biscuit)

Contact Benny on **01480 477838**



Bingo at Hanover Close

Bingo is held twice a week at Hanover – Mon and Wed 2pm – 3pm

If you would like to play bingo go along, play a few games and then enjoy a cup of tea afterwards with new and old friends.

Everyone is welcome to sessions which are held in the lounge. If you fancy helping out with the calling of numbers please go along and offer to help, especially on a Monday afternoon.

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Wed Oct 1st 1pm – 8pm, a free event, but booking is essential as there are limited spaces

To book your place please call Mirella on 01954-211919 or email Mirella.T@care-network.org.uk

For more information please contact Susan Bate on 01480 423085 or email Susan.bate@care-network.org.uk, or Kathy Bowles on 01480 423085 or email Kathy.b@care-network.org.uk

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Local history Books and Information

Why not buy one of the ESCA local history books? The larger books will provide you with hours of reading and re-reading as you learn about the history of the area.

All these booklets are available for reference in the St Neots and Huntingdon Reference Libraries 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.

<input type="checkbox"/> Eaton Socon at Work	£2.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Eaton Socon in Character	£2.50
<input type="checkbox"/> The Eatons at War	£2.50
<input type="checkbox"/> The Inns and Outs of the Eatons	£3.00
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<input type="checkbox"/> Church and Churchyard Survey	£7.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Eaton Socon Burials Registers 1813 - 2002	£6.00
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<input type="checkbox"/> To the Glorious Memory - Eaton Socon War Memorial	£9.95
<input type="checkbox"/> The Eatons Then and Now	£5.00
<input type="checkbox"/> The Eatons Then and Now Book 2	£5.00
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Have you read the new book yet? With lots of information about life in Eaton Socon Parish during the war this book provides a look at life in this rural parish and what actually happened to the wives, the children and the men left behind. What did they do and how did they help the war effort? This book should be read alongside 'To the Glorious Memory' which includes information on the lives of the men listed on our War Memorial - who were they and what happened to them. Both books can be ordered directly from ESCA or they can be bought in St Neots Museum (see left).



Edith Armstrong



Avenue Farm in Eaton Ford

Eatons Farmhouse Tea Towels

Do you know where Avenue Farm, Hill Farm, Elms Farm, Bell Farm and Squires Farm can be found? These and other farmhouses can be found on our new Eatons Tea Towels - a bargain at only £3.95 - available from ESCA or from the Museum

Wanted - Information on the Parish Pubs and Beerhouses

Do you know anything about the people or the old pubs in Wyboston, Duloe, Staploe and Bushmead? If you have any stories or information about The Two Brewers, the Old Cannon, the New Found Out, the Queens Head, the Anchor or any of the other former pubs in Eaton Socon Parish please contact Sue on 01480 216065. We would like to include them in our new 2015 book but we need the information now.



Gery Arms, Bushmead