

# **ECTON BROOK POCKET PARK**



**THE ECTON VIEW  
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# Parish and Village Directory



## Parish Council

Chairman: Sally Jones  
01604 403027

## Church Directory

### Rector

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Position Vacant

### PCC Treasurer

Nigel Bond  
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### Electoral Roll Officer

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### Bell Ringers

Contact: David Dicks  
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### Ecton Church Lottery

The lottery is resuming in October but because we are significantly under-subscribed there will be just one prize each month of £50.

If you would like to contribute please place your payment in an envelope with your name and address on and deliver it to either Mary Dicks at Field House, 40, West Street or to Nigel Bond at 34 West Street. If you are unable to deliver please contact Nigel on (01604) 948040 and a safe collection will be arranged (with face covering and two metres social distancing).

Cheque's should be made payable to Ecton PCC. If you're not sure if you have already paid or not please contact me.

The last draw from 2019/20 has been done now with the winners being,

1st Sofia Cafferty,  
2nd Dick and Judy Chapman,  
3rd Tony and Ann Harrison.  
Cheque's will be issued shortly.

## Borough Council of Wellingborough

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### EGO's

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## Editors Note

As I am putting this issue of the Ecton View together, dear old Boris pops up and give us all a long list of things we can't do. Well here at the 'EV' office we refuse to see the glass half empty, so here's a list of things you can still do:

We can, always be kind to each other, support those who need help, see Keith wearing a mask and serving drinks to your table at the Three Horseshoes! Walk around the beautiful country side we live in, go for dinner, go to Church, play golf, go to the seaside, have friends over in groups of 6 ....etc

So as Boris say's, lets continue to behave ourselves, revel in the fact that we live in such a lovely place, with a great community spirit and keep on keeping on, lets follow the latest guidance with a smile.

I have had my hair cut this week, to shoulder length, and I am donating it to Little Princess Trust. They make wigs for children and young adults with cancer, with thanks to Nicky Bedford I am sending off 15 inches of hair in 6 ponytails, Thank you for your fantastic support so far, I have passed my target of £1000, this will help with the cost of making the wigs, approx. £500 each, at present my total stands at £1530 - I will continue collecting until my birthday on 1<sup>st</sup> November.

If you still wish to donate, visit Facebook:-

**Wendy Stephens - fundraiser for The Little Princess Trust**

or if you would rather, you can pop an envelope through my door, 46 High Street, please put your name so I can thank you personally when I see you.

Many thanks in advance.

Wendy



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### Front Cover

Thank you to John Crane with this stunning autumnal photograph taken at Ecton Brook Pocket Park.

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# Ecton Village News

## ECTON - EGO's

Hello everyone, we hope you are all keeping safe and well. We have missed seeing you out and about and down at the village hall. We have been discussing when we might be able to get back together but sadly the guidance still prevents us all meeting up. We might be able to have a meal at The Worlds End before the end of the year as restaurants can still operate as long as they promote social distancing. Watch this space for more information later on. We will keep in touch but in the meantime if you need any help please call one of us - Sally - 403027, Pat - 402582, Wendy - 07986 557773, Kathy - 404590, Denise - 07810 004051.

## ECTON BOOKS

Just to let you know. There will be a box of books in the church porch for people to help themselves to. I know a lot folks in the village still read lots of books and can't get out much at present.

Best regards - Brenda Foster

## ECTON PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be postponed until further notice. You can obtain a full copy of the latest Parish Council Minutes. Email: ectonparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk

## THE ECTON RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY

The Trustees of the above Charity, which only has about £100 income per year, are now changing the way in which they administer and allocate the funds.

In order to meet their obligations regarding 'Data Protection', it will now be necessary for Ecton's senior single residents to apply for this themselves.

Payments of £10 will be allocated to the most senior single applicants who are either a widow/widower/spinster or bachelor by age according to the amount of money in our Fund.

The Trustees will allocate this purely on the basis of the most senior in age.

## APPLICATIONS FOR THIS ARE NOW INVITED.

Please complete the Form below and forward BY THE END OF OCTOBER to :-

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c/o David Dicks, (Chairman) Field House, 40 West Street, Ecton.  
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## NAME & ADDRESS.

## DATE OF BIRTH.

# Ecton Walks in Lockdown - 2020



Another easy walk that is not far away.

A circular walk from Earls Barton - about two and a half miles. If you want to make it longer (much longer!) then set off from Ecton making your way to Earls Barton via the path across Barton Fields.

Head through Earls Barton as though heading for Great Doddington.

At the end of the village turn right down Mill Lane, a gravel track leading down towards the A45 and the river.

Some magnificent cabbages growing on the left.

Cross the A45 and the track does a dogleg left and right.

You come to the site of the mill where the old houses have been demolished to make way for a new house currently being built.

Cross the mill race and the path ahead is clear - you are heading for the lock.

This is a nice spot, especially at dawn and sunset.

Cross the river at the lock and turn right. You may encounter ponies but they will just look at you with disdain!

Take your time along the river path which is wide and grassy - in wet weather it can get a bit muddy.

You eventually come to a kissing gate by the gravel works.

Continue forwards on the track until you come to the small car park by White Mills.

Go up to the bridge and cross back over the river.

If you walked from Ecton you may want to take the footpath along the river to the left and over the metal footbridge at the marina entrance.

Just continue all the way back to Cogenhoe Mill and then back home to Ecton.

Otherwise, stick to the footpath on the road past the caravan park.

Turn right into the entrance of VIRIDOR and you will see a footpath on the left through a pocket park.

You then cross the off slip from the A45 - beware - before following the path under the A45 and back towards Earls Barton to wherever you parked!



## **Church Services in October**

I am pleased to say that church services have begun again and at Ecton in October there will be a service of said Morning Prayer on

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October 10am and Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October 10am.**

All are welcome but please let Revd. Jackie know if you would like to come, so we can organise the socially distanced seating.

Hygiene regulations are in place and face coverings must be worn, unless you are medically exempt.

We hold worship on Zoom every Sunday at 4pm.

Please contact Revd. Jackie for more information.

The church is also open on Saturdays 9.30am – 10.30am for quiet private prayer.

Thank you for your support and patience as we work out the best way forward.

Yours in Christ,  
Revd. Jackie Buck  
01933 631232  
[jackiebuck@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jackiebuck@hotmail.co.uk)

Editors Note:- Due to the current National situation. All event arrangements maybe subject to change at very short notice, please contact event organisers for more details. Thank you.



## Rector's Letter October 2020

I have just planted some new bulbs in our garden tubs, in the hope that come springtime we will have a lovely show of colour, that is if the squirrels don't dig them up!

Hope is something we all need, especially when things are difficult. It looks like the Coronavirus is here to stay and we will have to find ways of living with it, while continuing to mark various milestones and events in life in the best and safest way we can.

We are heading towards a winter in a time like no other and while the first signs of spring may be a long way off we can be sure that as soon as those bulbs I planted settle into the soil their roots will start to grow and shoots will be produced, ready for their time in the sun.

I pray we can look to the future in the hope that one day we will be able to do all the things we used to do, all be it a little differently. For surely the day will come when we will talk of this time of pandemic in the past tense, looking back at the lessons we have learnt and moving forward in hope for the future.

That time may not be yet, but it will come and in the meantime, as St. Paul wrote to the Romans let us "*be joyful in hope, patient in affliction and faithful in prayer*" Romans 12:12

Yours in Christ,  
Revd. Jackie Buck





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# A Personal Thank You to Friends of Ecton Village



## A BIG THANK YOU

I would like to send a big thank you to everyone who has been supporting Julia's fundraising efforts with donations to her GoFundMe page and with various items to sell at car boot sales. Every single donation, supportive word and prayer has been warmly received and is helping Julia to receive the treatment she so urgently needs.

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With grateful thanks, Barbara





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# LETTERS PAGE

WHERE IN THE WORLD HAVE YOU BEEN WITH YOUR ECTON BAG? -



On a recent visit to the Woodbridge Garden of Remembrance, in Suffolk, Kathy & Phylis took along their Ecton Bag.

## Editors Note:- To all Ecton Colouring Fans

For those of you who enjoyed the lockdown colouring sheets, I will place some Pumpkin themed sheets in the Church Porch from

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October.

Take one to colour and pop in your window for the village  
Pumpkin Hunt

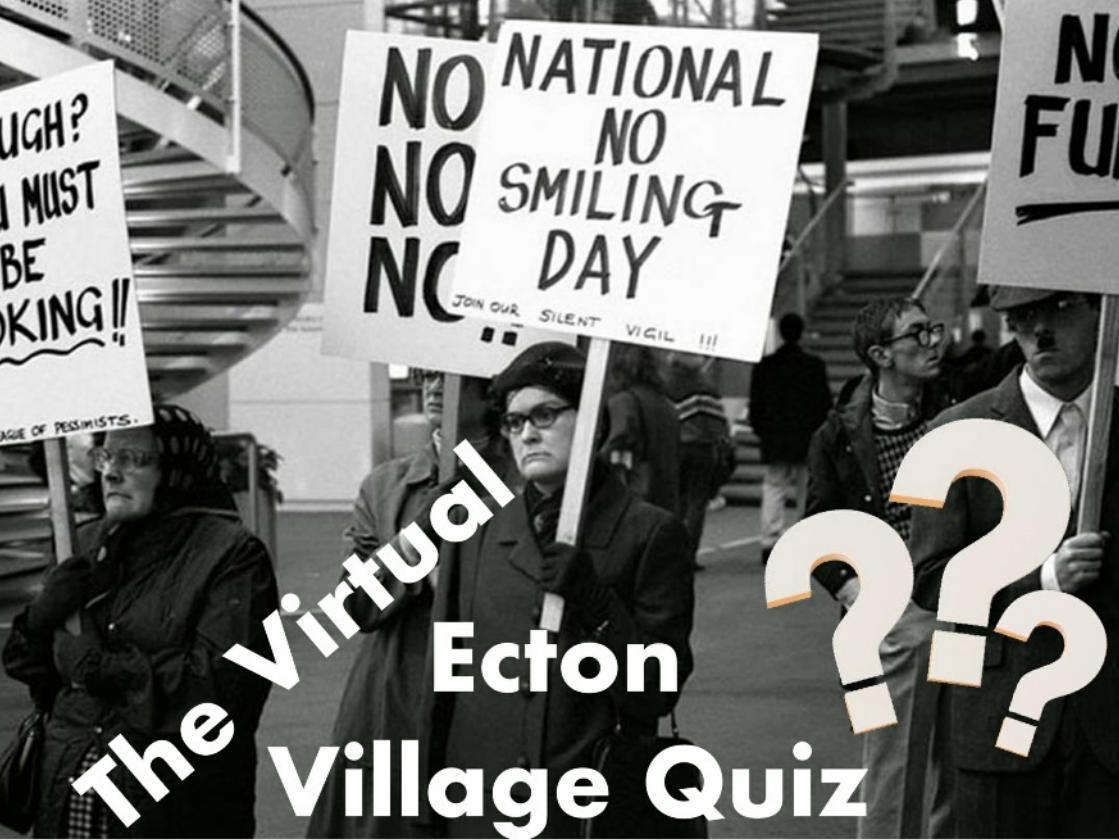


# Happy Halloween



Similar to Easter 2020,  
Halloween will not be 'normal'  
for the kids of Ecton with  
Trick or Treat not possible due  
to Covid-19 restrictions.

To make it a little fun, we invite you to make a window display, including a Pumpkin – the kids can then take part in a village Pumpkin hunt over Halloween weekend.



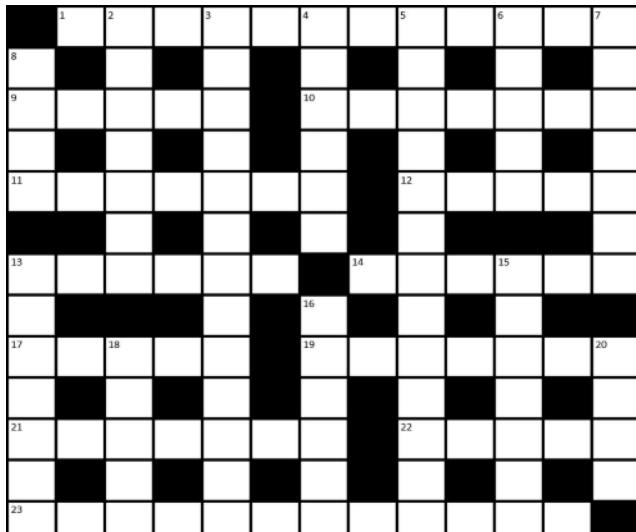
If you are looking for an antidote to 2020 in general, then this just may be the answer. Join us in the Virtual Ecton Village quiz via Facebook or email every alternate Wednesday evening, although we will skip a week during October to get dates right for November and December. **The October quiz will be on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>** and then fortnightly after that.

There may be a variety of reasons why the number of participants has been increasing. We hope it is because the quiz hits the spot as a bit of fun, and because it gathers our little community together, if virtually, in otherwise difficult times. If the quiz could be better for you we are open to suggestions for format and topics, feel free to message your suggestions back to us.

If you would like to join in by having questions sent by email, send a message to **ectonquiz@outlook.com** to go on the mailing list. You mark your own answers and its up to you whether or not you post your scores. Play solo, as a couple or gather your teams by phone, Zoom, Facetime etc. We suggest a maximum of 6 in a team and a generation mix is a definite advantage.

We look forward to you joining us.  
Best wishes from the Nigel, Bill and Alistair

# Puzzle Page - October 2020



Clues marked \* are cryptic. The rest are normal definition clues.

## Across

- 1 Likely to meet on 31st (7,5)
- 9 The Spanish end French small, delicate features \* (5)
- 10 Carved to make a lantern (7)
- 11 The \_\_\_\_ had a hit in the 60s with "She's Not There" (7)
- 12 Did iota hold a fool? \* (5)
- 13 11A are \_\_\_\_ (6)
- 14 For example, medal raised for breakfast holder \* (3,3)
- 17 \_\_\_\_ frutti (5)
- 19 11A are walking \_\_\_\_ (7)
- 21 Group of armed civilians (7)
- 22 Untie changing it to bring together \* (5)
- 23 Superior crowing about 500, too many people \* (12)

## Down

- 2 Smoked fine mud thrown \* (7)
- 3 Carelessly stab clinician for man eater \* (13)
- 4 Reveal former partner, ask a question \* (6)
- 5 Upcoming grand around place for tents \* (7,6)
- 6 \_\_\_\_ Carr had a hit in the 60s with "It Must Be Him" (5)
- 7 Perpetual (3-4)
- 8 Merged with Daimler in 1926 (4)
- 13 Faster (2,5)
- 15 Largest inland sea (7)
- 16 Size of a book made from folding a sheet three times (6)
- 18 Fine netting sounds useful \* (5)
- 20 NY team rise to stop flow \* (4)

Crossword design and construction: Alistair MacRae

## Fly-tipping in Ecton Parish

Occasionally we come across incidents of Fly-tipping along the lanes of our parish.

If you see any fly-tipped rubbish, please report it to

**Wellingborough NORSE**

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## Ecton Post Box Collection Times:

Post Box at Sunnyside:-

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Post Box at The Laurels:-

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## Ecton Odours!

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## Bin Collection for October & November 2020

|                                 |                   |  |                              |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|--|------------------------------|
| Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October  | Green & Brown Bin | Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> November        | Black Bin                    |
| Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> October  | Black Bin         | <b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November</b> | <b>Green &amp; Brown Bin</b> |
| Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> October | Green & Brown Bin | Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> November       | Black Bin                    |
| Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October | Black Bin         | Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November       | Green Bin                    |
| Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October | Green & Brown Bin |  |                              |

**Note:- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November - Last Brown Bin Collection of 2020**

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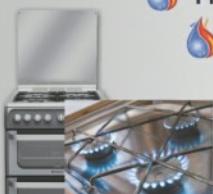
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3. Fill the hole with logs, twigs, stones, pieces of brick etc, but leaving gaps for creatures to get in and hide.
4. Cover with the soil you have dug out, but leaving some entrance spaces.
5. Sow wild flower seed /or plant wild flowers or other insect friendly seeds/plants on top, or even grass that can be left to grow long, which is good for butterflies and moths.



## Crossword Solution October 2020

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# What's On in Ecton - October 2020 +

| Date                           | Time          | Event   | Location           |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---|--------------------|
| Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct      | 14:00-16:00   | Short Mat Bowls - Postponed                               | Ecton Village Hall |
| Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct        | 07:00-        | Green & Brown Bin Collection                              | -----              |
| Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct        | 10:00-12:00   | Pop-Up Coffee Shop - Postponed                            | Ecton Village Hall |
| Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct        | 10:00-12:00   | Tidy Churchyard - Postponed                               | Ecton Church       |
| Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Oct        | 19:00-20:30   | Bellringing - Postponed                                   | Ecton Church       |
| Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Oct        | 07:00-        | Black Bin Collection                                      | -----              |
| Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct       | 07:00-        | Green & Brown Bin Collection                              | -----              |
| Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct       | 07:00-        | Black Bin Collection                                      | -----              |
| Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct       | 07:00-        | Green & Brown Bin Collection                              | -----              |
| <b>Nov 2020</b>                |               |   |                    |
| Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov        | 07:00-        | Black Bin Collection                                      | -----              |
| <b>Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Nov</b> | <b>07:00-</b> | <b>Green Bin &amp; Last Brown Bin Collection for 2020</b> | -----              |
| Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov       | 07:00-        | Black Bin Collection                                      | -----              |
| Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov       | 07:00-        | Green Bin Collection                                      | -----              |
| <b>Dec 2020</b>                |               |   |                    |
| Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec        | 07:00-        | Black Bin Collection                                      | -----              |
| Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec       | 07:00-        | Green Bin Collection                                      | -----              |
| Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec       | 07:00-        | Black Bin Collection                                      | -----              |

All dates & times are subject to change - Please check details with event organisers.



# **ECTON VILLAGE CHRISTMAS CARD**

Thank you to those of you that have already dropped off their messages and donations for the Village Christmas Card.

This year we will be charging a minimum of £1, to place a message in the card and all we ask is that you pop the message and donation into the envelope provided in this issue, and post it through one of the letterboxes listed below.

**Please be sure to add your name and address.**

We will not be collecting door-to-door due to current restrictions.

This will cover the cost of all printing, we feel the Village Christmas Card is always an important 'Event' in the Ecton calendar, even more so during this chaotic time.

If you feel you wish to donate more, we will not complain! Any extra cash, after costs, will be put into a 'community pot' to go towards a giant village celebration in the near future.

**List of Envelope Drop-off Points:**

|                    |                             |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Barbara Lee -      | 24 Church View              |
| Joy Bond -         | 34 West Street              |
| Kathy Humphreys -  | 16A High Street             |
| Sally Jones -      | 12 The Courtyard            |
| Denise Collacott - | Bay Tree Cottage            |
| Pat MacRae -       | 24 High Street              |
| Wendy Stephens -   | 46 High Street              |
| Helen Summers -    | The Mumbles, 49 High Street |

**The last 'Drop Off' date for all messages will be Wednesday November 11<sup>th</sup> to allow time for finishing, editing and printing.**