

**THE ECTON VIEW
DECEMBER 2022
& JANUARY 2023
ISSUE 201**



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Wintery Sheep in Ecton.

**Ecton Lottery - Results to follow, please see village
notice boards for updates.**

Editors Note

Welcome to this festive edition of the Ecton View.

The offices of the Ecton View already have had their halls decked and the bells are jingling.

A big Thank You to all those who contributed to the Ecton Village Christmas Card this year, we had a record number of messages. After printing costs, you have raised around £900 towards the Ecton Villagers Christmas lunch, available for any villager who's over 60 years, this year it is at the Worlds End. So far 78 people have booked a place!

Have a super Ecton Christmas and a fantastic New Year.

Wendy

ECTON WINTER WARMERS

The Village Hall, Church and Parish Council have all been discussing the difficult economic situation the country is facing. We have decided to offer some opportunities for our community to come together in the warmth of the village hall, to have some lunch and to meet friends and neighbours. Just come and join us for lunch and hot drinks. Everyone is welcome and there is no need to book and there is no charge. Just a few days when you don't need to worry about heating your house or cooking a meal. - Please come and join us.

We will open the Hall from 11am until 3pm, come and have a chat, read the paper, have a hot drink.

Lunch will be served between 12noon and 2pm. The dates are: December 9th ; January 13th and January 27th



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Ecton Village News

EGO's

The EGO's get-together in December joins with the Ecton Village Christmas Lunch at The Worlds End. Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the Christmas card messages, this is what helps to fund the Christmas meal. HAPPY CHRISTMAS everyone.

Huge thanks to all the helpers who help throughout the year to support our Golden Oldies. THANKS.

EGO's get together in January is on Friday 20th for Pie and mash for lunch.

Keep an eye out for Winter Warmers as well for other opportunities to come for lunch and to keep warm at the Village Hall.

Ecton Village Hall

Looking ahead to next year, we thought we should try and kick the year off with New Years Starters. An opportunity to come together to meet friends and neighbours. An evening when you can turn your heating off. Just bring a plate of food to share, the bar will be open and we will provide some music. Come and join us on Friday January 6th from 7pm.

Altar Kneelers in Church

The church has recently been able to purchase new Altar Kneelers in memory of the late Mary Beesley, who many of you will have known. The old kneelers were moved during Covid lockdown as they had become mouldy and had been nibbled by mice.

Church Notice Board

Users of the South porch of the church will have noticed the new notice board. This is intended for church and community events/information and was kindly funded by North Northamptonshire Council, facilitated by Cllr Lora Lawman through her 'Member Empowerment Fund'.

ECTON WALKS

These have now been suspended until the 2023 but if you would like to be included on the mailing list please contact Nigel at nigelbond@alktalk.net .

ECTON PARISH COUNCIL

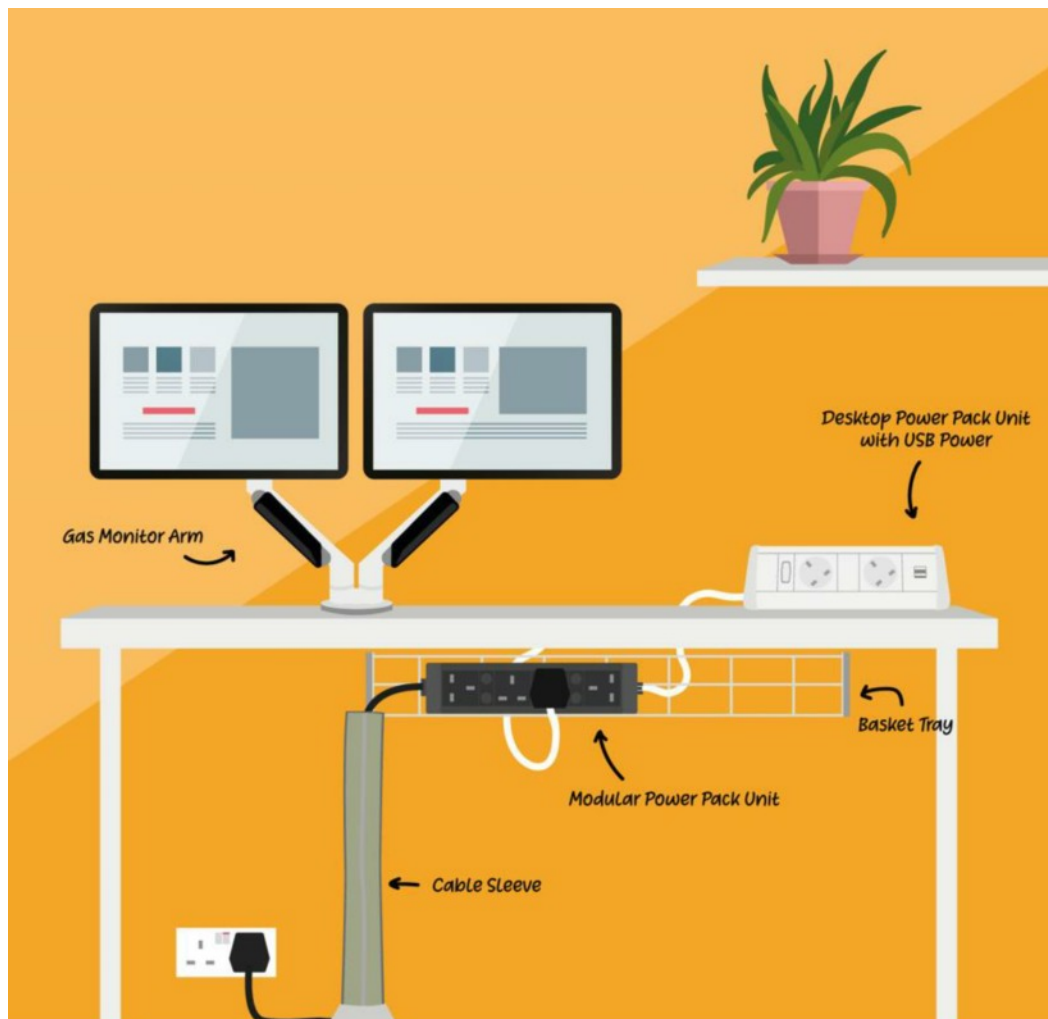
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Weather permitting, our next Churchyard tidy up sessions will be on Saturday 3rd Dec between 9.30am & 12noon and then on Saturday 7th Jan. 2023. If you would like to help please do come along, there is always a job!



Church Winter Fete and Grand Draw

Thank you to everyone who supported the Winter Fete, an event run jointly with Great Doddington and Wilby churches. We raised just over £2700 to be shared between the three churches.

Carol Service and Midnight Mass

Please join us for the Carol Service on 18th December at 6pm. Mince Pies and mulled wine will be served after the service. Join us too for Midnight Mass with Bishop John at 11.15pm on Christmas Eve

Ecton Services for December 2022

Sun 4th December	Morning Services at Wilby & Great Doddington	
Tues 6 th December	10am Holy Communion	Ecton
Sun 11th December	9.30am Holy Communion with Christingle	Ecton
Sun 18th December	9.30am Holy Communion with Carols	Ecton
	6pm Carol Service	Ecton
Tue 20 th December	2pm Songs of Praise in the Village Hall	Ecton
Christmas Eve	11.15pm Midnight Mass with Bishop John	Ecton
Christmas Day	10am Benefice Holy Communion	Gt Doddington

Ecton Services for January 2023

Sun 1st January	10am Benefice Holy Communion	Wilby
Tues 3 rd January	10am Holy Communion	Ecton
Sun 8th January	9.30am Holy Communion	Ecton
Sun 15th January	9.30am Holy Communion	Ecton
Sun 22nd January	11am Morning Prayer	Ecton
Sun 29th January	10am Benefice Holy Communion with Archdeacon Richard	Ecton

Rector's Letter December 2022



As we enter December our thoughts turn towards Christmas and for many this year there will be difficult choices to make, as we continue to see the impact of the cost-of-living crisis. The darkness of the month will reflect how many are feeling and despair is not a too strong a word to use. However, the Christian faith can bring hope to the most difficult of circumstances and own actions can bring relief to those in need.

The Church Christmas card this year, detailing the various events and services across our three churches, has the words "Jesus light of the world" on the front and a picture of the holy family in the stable. This reminds us that God sent his Son Jesus into the world to be a light for us all. A light to shine in the darkness, to bring hope to an often dark world, hope we ourselves can bring to others simply by being good neighbours and supporting those less fortunate than ourselves, for example by giving to the Food Bank.

Many of the church services and events planned will help us to think about what it means to have Christ's light in our world today and the difference knowing Jesus can make. Please see the Christmas card; notice boards or the website www.gdwebenefice.wordpress.com for more details or contact me on 01933 631232 jackiebuck@hotmail.co.uk

This year Midnight Mass will be at Ecton 11.15pm and we will be welcoming Bishop John Holbrook, who will preach and celebrate Holy Communion. The Christmas morning service is at Great Doddington at 10am and will be an All Age Communion. There will also be service on Sunday 1st January at Wilby 10am, a good way to start the New Year.

May I wish you a very blessed and peaceful Christmas, as we celebrate, once again, Jesus the one true light of the world come among us and consider the difference God can make in our lives and our world.

Yours in Christ,

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Ray Wright

It was with great sadness that Ray Wright, passed away peacefully on November 9th, following a stroke. Ray, the oldest male Ectonian at the time, was a kind and gentle man, who never said a bad word of anyone. A friend to many villagers, he was a regular at the EGO's and adored the village he was born, bread and raised his family in.

Sue, Phil and Bev would like to thank everyone for the many cards, flowers and words of support and love. It has been a real strength to them in this difficult period. Rest in peace Ray xx



December Treats


Look out for flocks of Fieldfares, Redwings and Thrushes in the fields and eating the hedgerow berries. Winter walks or looking out of the house/car/.bus windows gives us a different view of the countryside/gardens now the leaves are falling. The trees look so different with bare branches and you can see things that are usually hidden. Look out for animal and bird tracks in muddy ground or in the snow, if we are lucky enough to get some! Frosty cobwebs, patterns and seed heads are so beautiful and a photo taken can be used to make a personalised card for someone.

I hope everyone has a peaceful and healthy Christmas and good fortune in 2023.

- Charlotte Eley



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- Been too trusting of visitors before?
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- Become frightened or worried about answering the door?
- Had money or valuables go missing?
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For further crime prevention advice contact your local Crime Prevention Officer on 101

ECTON NEW YEAR STARTERS

FRIDAY JANUARY 6th FROM 7pm

Come and welcome the New Year together with friends and neighbours. Bring a plate of food to share. Another chance to save your energy costs. The bar will be open and we will provide some music. In the past we have enjoyed Christmas Starters to kick the season off. This year we will kick off the New Year and we hope you will come and join us, everyone is welcome.

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The Quiz begins!

I would like to thank everyone who took part. You are all winners in my (quiz!) Book. Especial thank you to all who helped organise the evening.

- Bill



Daniel receiving the Winners Prize on behalf of his Team, The Bees.



Spamalot Team Captain, Alistair, receiving 2nd Prize.



Captain Ann of Team Strictly Strangers receiving 3rd Prize from Sally.



Pauline - Captain of Team Newbies, receiving the Quizmasters reward for an outstanding performance by a small team.

Team Wallnutters bagged The Blockbuster Prize, they were too shy to be photographed.

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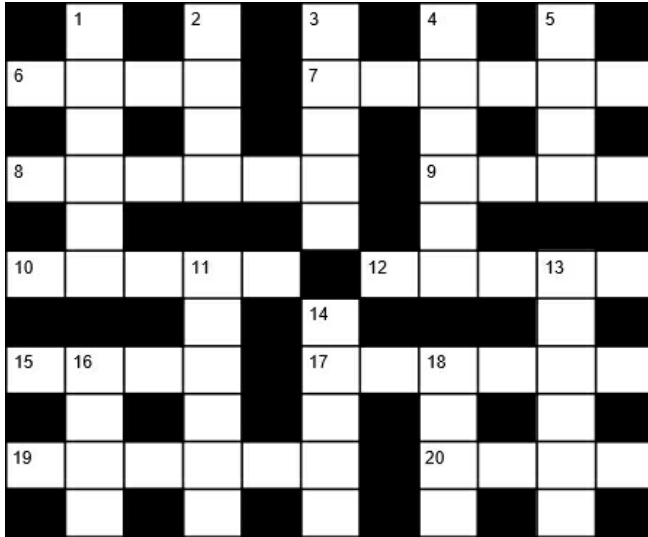
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Ecton Crossword - December 2022



Clues marked * are cryptic, including one that is about Ecton. The rest are normal definition clues.

Across

- 6 Ensnare backward part * (4)
- 7 Stopped (6)
- 8 Eighth in line to the throne (6)
- 9 Broad (4)
- 10 River flows around hot image * (5)
- 12 Move solid icons * (5)
- 15 Music from 13D
- 17 Remove disguise (6)
- 19 Give a noted mixture * (6)
- 20 Space for Othello to turn * (4)

Down

- 1 Group around right on the 4th * (5)
- 2 Raps back box * (4)
- 3 Left after George Bernard's wrap * (5)
- 4 Imperfect femail editor holding law * (6)
- 5 Heavy metal in front * (4)
- 11 Paris, Priam or Hector (6)
- 13 Capital of Portugal (6)
- 14 Preserved or made better (5)
- 16 Sailor's greeting (4)
- 18 Red planet (4)

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Crossword design and construction: Alistair MacRae

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Friday 9 th December	Green Bin	Friday 13 th January	Black Bin
Friday 16 th December	Black Bin	Friday 20 th January	Green Bin
Friday 23 rd December**	Green Bin	Friday 27 th January	Black Bin
Friday 30 th December**	Black Bin		

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ORGANISE A GREAT WINTER GET TOGETHER **4**

5 SET UP A CALLING TREE AS A SUPPORT NETWORK

Crossword Solution - December 2022

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What's On in Ecton - December 2022 +

Date	Time	Event	Location
Thur 1 st Dec	12:00-	Ecton Villagers Christmas Lunch	The Worlds End
Fri 2 nd Dec	06:30-	Black Bin Collection	-----
Fri 2 nd Dec	10:00-12:30	Ecton Brew Coffee Shop	Ecton Village Hall
Sat 3 rd Dec	09:30-12:00	Churchyard Tidy-Up	Ecton Church
Sat 3 rd Dec	10:00-16:00	Christmas Tree Festival	Wilby Church
Sun 4 th Dec	10:00-12:00	Christmas Brunch with Father Christmas	Ecton Village Hall
Sun 4 th Dec	11:00-16:00	Christmas Tree Festival	Wilby Church
Fri 9 th Dec	06:30-	Green Bin Collection	-----
Fri 9 th Dec	11:00 - 15:00	Ecton Winter Warmers	Ecton Village Hall
Sat 10 th Dec	19:30-	Ecton Christmas Quiz	Ecton Village Hall
Sun 11 th Dec	Afternoon	Live Music - 'Just Jaks'	Three Horseshoes
Wed 14 th Dec	20:00-	Pub Quiz - 8pm Start	Three Horseshoes
Fri 16 th Dec	06:30-	Black Bin Collection	-----
Sun 18 th Dec	Afternoon	Live Music - Accrington Stanley	Three Horseshoes
Fri 23 rd Dec**	06:30-	Green Bin Collection - TBC	-----
Sat 24 th Dec	Evening	Live Christmas Eve Music - Snog	Three Horseshoes
Thur 28 th Dec	Evening	Open Mike Night	Three Horseshoes
Fri 30 th Dec**	06:30-	Black Bin Collection - TBC	-----
Sat 31 st Dec	Evening	New Years Eve Disco	Three Horseshoes
January			
Fri 6 th Jan	06:30-	Green Bin Collection	-----
Fri 6 th Jan	10:00-12:30	Ecton Brew Coffee Shop	Ecton Village Hall
Fri 6 th Jan	19:00 -	Ecton New Year Starters	Ecton Village Hall
Sat 7 th Jan	09:30-12:00	Churchyard Tidy-Up	Ecton Church
Fri 13 th Jan	06:30-	Black Bin Collection	-----
Fri 13 th Jan	11:00 - 15:00	Ecton Winter Warmers	Ecton Village Hall
Fri 20 th Jan	06:30-	Green Bin Collection	-----
Thur 26 th Jan	Evening	Open Mike Night	Three Horseshoes
Fri 27 th Jan	06:30-	Black Bin Collection	-----
Fri 27 th Jan	11:00 - 15:00	Ecton Winter Warmers	Ecton Village Hall
Fri 27 th Jan	19:15 - 22:00	Ecton Witches	Ecton Village Hall
Sat 28 th Jan	19:00 -	Ecton Burns Night Supper	Ecton Village Hall

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