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Riders of Shaam - Amsterdam to Copenhagen

These photographs of members show Evington's own cycling club, Riders of Shaam, who have raised £430,000 for charities on their June 2023 annual ride from Amsterdam to Copenhagen. (Continued on pages)

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Editorial



The Evington Echo is a community magazine, extended by its website. We want to hear your views and move forward with making sure meetings with discussion take place about the things that affect us all. We need a process of developing community consent. I think local social media plays an important part in gathering your stories and then organising them, so we can move forward towards a strategy for community consent as an ongoing process.

My thoughts about having a community voice through social media have been challenged further through attending zoom meetings with Rob Watson discussing issues, particularly around community cohesion. On 22nd June, I attended a conference at De Montfort University about 'Empowering Communities: How to Design a Smart City that Works for All'. This event was led by Professor Edward Cartwright and was an exploration into the role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in smart city development and the paramount necessity for the inclusion of diverse voices in the consultation, engagement and development process. Although the meeting was discussing high tech. stuff, it wasn't run like this. We listened to

speakers without a powerpoint presentation or videos. We discussed in groups and then fed back views for a conclusion. This, of course, isn't a final conclusion, but is part of an ongoing process that needs to be happening for other topics

In this issue you will find an article about 'Road Safety' with particular reference to Spencefield Lane and this article is extended on the website. There are articles about Apples for Foodbanks, (see page 14). The Evington trail – the route East Midlands in Bloom judges followed, (See page 8) and Whitehall schools Green Flag award (see page 12).. On the front cover and page 5, we highlight the amazing fundraising activities of the Riders of Shaam.

But now let's enjoy all our local events The Evington Youth Club Summer Fayre and Summer Camp, (see page 3) The Evington Village Show on Saturday 12th August (See page 8) and then a new event for this year called 'Evington Mela' on Sunday 10th September. (See advert on page 5). There is also a Music Festival in September (See page 14).

What a lot is happening in Evington this summer! Also check out the list of groups running specific interest activities on page15. If something is missed, please let me know.

Helen Pettman.



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Today, millions of people all around the world practice some form of Taiji to gain its great physical and psychological health benefits. These health and medical benefits include:



Improvement in balance/co-ordination, strong healthy joints, muscles and tendons with improved flexibility. Taijiquan also acts as a prevention, strengthens cardiovascular health, improves mood and mental health and helps with pain relief. It boosts the immune system, Improves cognitive function, protects against fractures, reduces fatigue and encourages a healthy sleep cycle to name but a few.

Nasser Butt is an international award winning martial artist and instructor, with almost 3 decades of experience. He currently runs classes in Old Yang

Style Taiji at Evington Village Hall on Friday mornings between 9.00am-10.00am. The classes are run in a friendly environment and are suitable for all ages and experiences.

Nasser has been working with Age UK and various health and mental health groups for

over 15 years across Leicestershire with excellent results. He regularly runs workshops in Europe and the USA, and students travel from around the world to train with him at his base in Leicester.

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Road Safety

A road traffic collision on Spencefield Lane involving an 11-year student from St. Paul's Catholic School has reignited a debate about how to make Evington roads safer.

Leicestershire Police and East Midlands Ambulance Service were in attendance and members of the public helped by comforting the young victim and alerting the emergency services. By the time you read this we expect the boy will have made a full recovery.

Generally traffic improvement measures are as follows:

Improving bus services to the area

Park and Stride

Working with parents and schools, to improve traffic flow and parking in drop off zones in the area.

More traffic wardens to monitor parking 20mph zones

A pedestrian crossing

ANPR cameras to monitor speeds

Once a quietish country lane, Spencefield Lane was redesignated as a B road to connect different neighbourhoods in Evington and to feed traffic between the A47 and smaller roads. As such, unfortunately, this makes it problematic, if not impossible, for its conversion to a 20mph zone.

Principal of St Paul's, Shelley Conaghan, said "It is obvious to everyone that it is not safe to park along Spencefield Lane on both sides of the road. Parents need

somewhere to park safely and it is our preferred option to have a park and stride car park serving our schools. A school crossing outside the school gates and double yellow lines on Spencefield Lane would safeguard all the students going to and from school."

Evington Councillors Deepak Bajaj, Zuffar Haq and Jenny Joannou have been in discussions with the Heads of St Paul's RC School and Krishna Avanti on how to make dropping-off and pick-up times safer for pedestrians and drivers. They told the Echo "We are committed to finding solutions and we are exploring options for this school." Problems around the 13 other schools in this area also need discussing for better ways forward.

St Paul's has been lobbying the council for a year but Assistant Mayor Councillor Adam Clarke, who has specialised in Transport Strategy, strongly denied that the recent collision was the key motivating factor for a renewed priority to road safety. "It would be wrong to assume the cause of this accident until we are in receipt of the police's findings. We are keen to ensure that there is a package of measures planned for delivery as quickly as possible." He explained that "Spencefield Lane is a priority due to the recognised issues of high traffic volume, inconsiderate parking, and the overall need to reduce the volume of car usage in travelling to and from schools across the city.

Community consent is essential if there is

to be compliance to any eventual policy change. A meeting for parents and residents is planned for September at St. Paul's. Please check the Evington Echo website for more details.

Please let us know your specific views concerning Spencefield Lane and/or your general views using the usual contact methods listed on page 2.

What is your daily commute like?
What's it like trying to negotiate the traffic on Evington's busy roads?
Accidents are reported but near-misses are often not recorded. Have you witnessed or experienced a near-miss due to speeding or poor parking?
Are you in favour of a default speed limit of 20mph around schools?
What is your message to Evington councillors and transport policymakers?
Harkesh Farma (Assistant Editor)

See the full article on the Evington Echo website.



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Riders of Shaam

continued from front cover

This club was established in 2012 by a group of De Montfort University students. Every year, they organise challenging cycle rides to various parts of Europe, including destinations like Luxembourg, Geneva, and Berlin. Through their tireless efforts, the club has managed to raise an impressive total of over £1.5 million for numerous worthy causes.

This year's charity ride raised £430,000 and this money will support three important organisations: 'Help The Homeless Leicester', 'One Nation', and 'Rahma Mercy'. While Help The Homeless Leicester focuses on aiding the local homeless population, One Nation and Rahma Mercy work tirelessly to provide humanitarian relief across the globe, particularly in war-torn areas like 'Shaam'.

The journey from Amsterdam to Copenhagen was not without its challenges. The dedicated participants pushed themselves to their limits, battling exhaustion and overcoming obstacles along the 420-mile route. However, their unwavering spirit and commitment to the cause propelled them forward, ultimately resulting in a resounding success.

The overwhelming support from the local community and beyond played a crucial role in the achievement of their fundraising target. The generous donations received will enable these

charitable organisations to continue their vital work, offering hope, shelter, and assistance to those in need, both locally and internationally.

Riders of Shaam and their annual charity rides have undoubtedly become a beacon of hope and compassion in Evington. As the club looks towards the future, they remain dedicated to their mission of raising awareness and funds for causes close to their hearts.

By organising these challenging rides, Riders of Shaam has not only brought the community together but has also shown that when people unite for a common purpose, incredible things can be achieved. Evington can be proud of the Riders of Shaam and their remarkable achievements.

Their journey from Amsterdam to Copenhagen has left a lasting impact, reminding us all of the power of compassion, determination, and the strength of a united community. Jamaal

A Mela for Evington

Sunday 10th September 2023
10.00am to 6.00pm

The Charity Friends of Evington has been developing since 2012 as a vehicle that aspires to promote community and community cohesion alongside a concern for the environment and developing environmental projects.

When one of our trustees mentioned that he could put us in touch with another charity with a local base in Evington called 'The Best Community Charity', that worked with young people, the project seemed feasible, even with a shortage of time.


A partnership agreement was soon put in place and new organisers, with much experience, helped us plan, arrange and get this project off the ground.

Do look out for leaflets in local shops, phone if you would like a stall, or just come along on the day - Sunday 10th September.

A Mela is an opportunity for people to learn about each others' culture, heritage, traditions and experiences.

I'm looking forward to seeing you at this event.

Helen Pettman



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The Green Bicycle Mystery



A picture of Bella and Ronald at the crossroads where Ronald Light said he left Bella on the homeward journey.

When I first came to Evington in 1981, I attended a lecture by Mr. Macintosh, who had written a small pamphlet about the death of Bella Wright. Mr. Macintosh was very sorry to hear that Bella had an unmarked grave and wanted to write the pamphlet to raise enough money to buy a headstone for her in Stoughton Church's graveyard.

Bella Wright had lost her life on Saturday 5th July 1919, when she cycled back to Stoughton from her uncle's house in Gaulby. She had been followed by a man riding a green bicycle.

Mr. Macintosh weighed up the evidence and concluded that this was a 'Cold Case

Jury' in his book and lecture. This means readers make up their own minds about the case. Afterwards I asked him his personal opinion. He said, "Ronald Light killed her, but was well defended by an extremely clever lawyer called Edward Marshall-Hall who managed to persuade the jury to acquit him. Ronald Light then moved to Kent and married at the age of 49. He died at the age of 89. Mr. Macintosh had contacted Ronald Light's widow and informed her of the trial. A trial that had been reported both nationally and internationally. The widow had suspected her deceased husband had a secret history.

When Bella Wright's body was found by the side of Gartree Road, near Little Stretton, it looked like a traffic accident.

An astute policemen later examined the body more closely and noticed a bullet wound. So a hue and cry went up to find the culprit who shot her. The case went cold until eight months later a green bicycle was dredged up from the canal with its number plate rubbed off. This bicycle was traced back to Ronald Light.

After the trial, Ronald Light was able to make a safe confession, because what he said wouldn't be opened for 100 years. In 2019, the envelope was opened.

Ronald Light confessed to manslaughter. A book by Antony M. Brown called "The Green Bicycle Mystery" thoroughly looks through the evidence. As with all the books written about this case, readers are asked to make up their own minds, but Antony Brown's opinion is that Ronald Light murdered Bella. Admitting to manslaughter was another deception by Ronald Light he argued.

This story has fascinated people because of the time period, just after the First World War. Bella had been in service and then found a job in a rubber factory and enjoyed the company of the other girls and more free time.

Ronald Light had been training to be an officer during the war, but then "wasn't officer material". Was important evidence ignored at the trial?

The Green Bicycle Mystery by Antony M Brown (ISBN 9 781907 324697)

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Dear Readers,



During the temporary closure of Mayflower Primary School, the children, parents, governors and staff would like to say thank you to the Evington Community for making them feel so welcome.

Since April 21st 2023, our children have been educated in the wider community, with our youngest being resident at Evington Park House. They have loved their time exploring the house and gardens. We have made many new

friends (2-legged and 4-legged), and the park keepers have made the space wonderful (and safe) for our children to

continue their learning. At Mayflower, we have always been committed to outdoor learning, and what better place to do this than Evington Park! From September, we will be moving back into a small part of our school building, after which a temporary school will be provided while repairs are carried out. Our thanks to the community once again!

Luke Whitney
Headteacher
Mayflower Primary School

YARN NEEDED

I am on the scrounge! We need yarn, thick, thin, any quantity, even scraps. We need it to make blankets, baby matinee coats and hats and adult hats and gloves. They are sent to those in need whether this country or abroad. Have you any yarn you don't need? If so, please contact me,- Lesly Biro - and I will pick it up, or drop it into the Cedars - who have very kindly offered to take it in for me. Are there any knitters out there who want to get involved? We would love to hear from you. Tel: 2419096.

Lesly Biro

Do you have this problem?

Dear Editor,

I have my bread and milk delivered by a dairy. On two occasions I have had my loaf of bread stolen off my doorstep. I had thought the dairy had missed me but it was not the case. I don't pay to have my bread stolen. It is not acceptable. I would like to know if any other readers have had this problem.

Ian Morton

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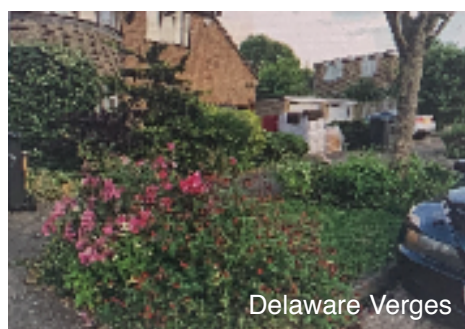
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We are very pleased to welcome the Lord Mayor, Dr Sue Barton, to open the fete at 12.30pm. The Show Marquee will open once all the judging is completed at approximately 1.00pm.



In the Arena area we welcome back the Bakanalia Border Morris Dancers, the Lutterworth Town Band and we really hope this year the Silver Swans dancers who had to cancel last year due to extreme heat. Also joining them is Sally Hossack and the Dream Band so popular at the Riverside Festival earlier this year.

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inflatables, Punch and Judy, the Magic Show and face painting will all be on the Village Green.

Other attractions include the Kinder Falconry Display, Blood Bikes, ice cream and a host of



stalls including the fete bookshop together with Raffle and Tombola.

In St Denys Church and Parish Centre there will be

displays of Calligraphy and Family History and David Letts will be singing between 1.00 and 2.00pm. At 3.00pm the Alumni from the Chapel Choir of Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge will sing Evensong. Afternoon teas will be available in the Parish Centre.

In Evington Chapel there will be a display of the History of the Chapel and Evington Village.

In the Village Hall light lunches and afternoon teas will be available.

With huge thanks to all the funders, shops and businesses who have supported this event. Come and bring the family for a perfect afternoon of fun and entertainment.

Chris Hossack. Chair of Fete Committee.

Diabetes Coffee morning 27th May

This was the first coffee morning in Evington for people living with diabetes. There were folk from all over, some prediabetic, some with type 2, some with type 1 and carers too.

The Parish Centre made an excellent venue for people to get together to share their own stories and to learn about new research and new monitoring programmes.

Hari said, "This was a really welcoming, friendly and informative advice session. It was great to share experiences and coping strategies. Thank you Anthony, Wendy and our specialist diabetes nurse, James."



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We are eager to hear your stories, ideas, and perspectives, and help you develop your skills in WordPress, blogging, photography, and storytelling.

By joining our team, you can actively contribute to creating a positive impact, promoting understanding, and inspiring change.

The Evington Echo reports on many topics and interests, but ongoing has been the focus on environmental stewardship. Evington in Bloom's and the It's Your Neighbourhood Groups' projects raise awareness about sustainability, conservation and the importance of protecting our local environment. Whether you have insights on eco-friendly initiatives, gardening tips, or success stories about reducing waste, we encourage you to share your knowledge and experiences.

Community understanding is another vital aspect of the Evington Echo.

We strive to celebrate the diversity and unity of our neighbourhood, highlighting the work of local community groups and initiatives. If you are part of a local organisation making a difference in Evington, we warmly welcome your stories and updates, giving you the visibility you deserve.

Local history plays a significant role in shaping our community identity. We encourage all residents to explore and uncover the rich heritage of Evington, share fascinating tales of the area's past, interviews with long time residents, or stories that celebrate the traditions and landmarks that make our neighbourhood unique.

Your wellbeing is important to us, and we understand the need to promote health and happiness in Evington. If you have knowledge about physical or mental health, fitness, nutrition, or personal stories that can inspire others, the Evington Echo is the perfect platform to amplify your voice and share your wisdom.

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We look forward to welcoming you as a contributor to the Evington Echo, where stories from and about Evington come alive. Remember, your perspective matters, and your voice can make a difference!

Rob Watson, Friends of Evington Trustee

Editorial note:

Please contact Helen Pettman (details on page 2) if you would be interested in joining a series of meetings with Rob Watson as a facilitator and learning more about community reporting.

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Whitehall's Green Flag Award



The ECO - Warriors have been working hard all year to make our school and the wider community more sustainable and they have been recognised by achieving the 'ECO - Schools Green Flag' award with merit for Whitehall Primary School. We are all delighted with this news. This is an internationally recognised prestigious award for excellence in environmental action and learning. The ECO - Warriors have empowered children, raising environmental awareness and improved the school environment. More and more children at Whitehall Primary School are entering environmental competitions. More children are litter picking and more children are using the natural environment to play and learn. This is a very significant achievement and is a testament to the work of our

dedicated ECO - Warriors and the commitment and support of the whole school community over the last year.

For the award we focused on 3 key areas we wanted to improve: litter, transport and waste. Some of the activities that myself, Mrs Tyler and the ECO- Warriors delivered were, 'Litter picking', 'Walk to School' and competitions related to using recycled materials and so much more.

It is astonishing what a difference a year has made and everyone involved should be incredibly proud of themselves. Congratulations to the great work you have managed to do earning your Green Flag with merit in style.

Miss Bahadur and Mrs Tyler

Our recently elected councillor for Evington

Cllr. Jenny Joannou writes:



Evington has been my home all my life and I have always loved living here. I attended Whitehall and Spencefield School and went on to Newarke Girls to complete a sixth form. I then trained

as a teacher and taught for over 20 years in local secondary schools. This led me on to sit as a magistrate alongside teaching for 30 years. My passion was 'youth court' work. I have been married to Mike for 50 years in December, meeting him on a blind date in the Cedars. We have three children and six grandchildren, of whom we are immensely proud.

When The Local plan was announced and our two greens on the Downing Drive estate were earmarked for housing, I started a campaign to stop it. This, thank goodness, was successful. This led me on to stand as a councillor and here I am. My motto in life is always do your best, smile and say hello to people.

If I can help in anyway, I will. I am now 71 but am determined to do my best for Evington.

Cllr. Jenny Joannou

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Our recently elected councillor for Evington



Cllr. Zuffar Haq writes:

A huge thank you to the residents of Evington and Goodwood for electing me as their councillor. It's an

honour and a privilege for me to represent Evington ward. I'm looking forward to working with everyone for a better Leicester. I have now attended my first council meeting as a Councillor, the first of many more to come.

These are some of the tasks I have undertaken since being elected in May.

- * Organised a Coronation Celebration Party at Evington Village Hall for residents
- * Building up contacts and relationships with the various Council Departments to ensure a timely response to issues
- * Making myself available to residents by holding weekly surgeries on Saturday mornings
- * Meeting with headteachers or Principals of schools to introduce myself and build relationships
- * Planning meetings for the next school term to meet with Headteachers, parents and residents to discuss strategies to improve the ongoing school traffic and parking problems

- * Helping out in Evington and Goodwood, planting up planters to brighten the area.
- * Supporting the team of Evington in Bloom
- * Helping to support the huge demand from people who are struggling, by dropping off and donating food to food banks
- * Promoting activities on offer for the community
- * Attending school fun days
- * Supporting individual residents with problems or concerns
- * Having discussions with the coordinator of the Child Poverty Commission relating to the current annual statistics for child poverty and taking the Leicester City Council to task on how much funding is put into this important area and the need to increase this funding
- * Meeting with the Leicester and Leicestershire director of Inclusion and SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) in order to improve the lives and provision of these pupils and to give them a voice in the Council Chamber
- * Litter picking at Lily Marriott Park with volunteers from a local school
- * Helping to keep our neighbourhood a cleaner and greener place

I am enjoying the challenge of improving the area and the lives of the people living here.

Cllr. Zuffar Haq, supported by my team, Farida Patel and Nitesh Dave.

A Month's Rainfall in two days

Flash floods on 22nd June saw a month's rainfall in 2 hours. Iqra, who works at 'I Fix It Screens' on Evington Road, took this photograph. She also sent videos you can see on the Evington Echo's website.





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Apples to Foodbanks



The October/November 2022 issue of the Evington Echo reported that after an appeal, local residents donated more than one ton of fruit, mainly apples from their own gardens, to a local foodbank at Wesley Hall.

Now elected a councillor in May 2023, Cllr. Zuffar Haq will coordinate this scheme again and in cooperation with local residents, not for profit groups, local businesses and local charities. He plans to improve on the 2022 target, aiming for 2 tons of apples and other fruit to go to Wesley Hall food bank.

Locally grown fruit helps feed people under the poverty line. It hasn't travelled far and is a healthy food option.

After attending the City Council's launch of their food strategy on 6th June, Cllr. Zuffar Haq said, "There is a lot of work to be done in Leicester to help people living

below the poverty line. One step forward, which I am pleased to report, is that there are plans to plant more orchards in parks and open spaces and plans to work with food partners to improve the quality and sustainability of food in schools."

Evington Then and Now



Main Street Evington showing Evington Chapel in the distance on the right of the picture. This picture was probably taken around the turn of the last century.



A similar view of Main Street Evington today. The cars and lorries stream by continuously and are at a standstill during certain parts of the day.

St. Denys Music Festival 2023

As part of the second Music Festival at St. Denys Church, the following concerts will be held, performed by local musicians:

Saturday 9th September, 7pm, Organ Recital given by Dr Simon Ainge.

Wednesday 13th September, 7pm, Cambridge University Students performing with saxophone, singing, piano.

Saturday 7th October, 7.30pm, Cantamici Choir who have toured Europe and beyond.

Please note: do look out for details of further concerts which will be performed on Saturday 30th September and Saturday 14th October, details to be confirmed.

Cafe under new management

Early in August a shop under new management will open on Main Street in Evington Village. The new manager is Suzy Bown. The sign on the front says *Eden Cafe *Bar *Gifts.

You will be sure of a warm welcome from Suzy.

Two free events for all on the Village Green

Evington Village Fete and Show on Saturday 12th August 12noon to 5.00pm
Evington Mela on Sunday 10th Sept. 10.00am to 6.00pm.



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Email - info@evingtonscouts.org.uk
Facebook - search for Evington Scouts and send us a private message.

24th Leicester (St Philip's) Air Scout Group

We welcome new members, both boys and girls, to our group of Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. We meet on Monday evenings at St. Philip's Church Hall. For more information, please contact: 2760457.
Email: chrisandpeterhardy@btinternet.com

Evington Youth Club (EYC)

Open Saturday mornings from 10.30am - 12.30pm to all young people between 8 and 19 years. Table tennis, Chess club, Boxercise, etc. Cost/contribution £2 per session. Girls Can is on Tuesdays from 3.30pm - 4.30pm. evingtonyouthclub.com/new-activities

Evington Local History and Heritage Group

Wednesday 20th September from 2.30pm to 4.00pm. John Dodd from Braunstone Local History group. Following meetings are on the third Wednesday of the month between 2.30pm and 4.00pm. at St. Denys Church Parish Centre LE5 6FA. Free parking. Membership £20 a year for 10 meetings, £3 for visitors per session. For more information contact John and Pauline Sloan. Tel: 2412210. email: jandpsloan@gmail.com

Evington Garden Club

Meetings are held at Evington Village Hall on Tuesday afternoons and will resume on Tuesday 15th August.

There is a Summer afternoon car trip locally to include tea and cakes (for £8.00 per person). Details from 2215513 and all are welcome to what is always a most enjoyable outing.
Patrick O Callaghan (Chair).

Exercise Sessions in the Portacabin at Evington Leisure Centre

The Calming and Gentle exercise group used to meet in Evington Park House. Now they are meeting in the portacabin which is at the rear of the Leisure Centre. They meet on Thursdays between 11.00am and 12.00 noon. Sessions cost £2. Contact Mary on 07952 775449..

Evington Park Bowls Club

This club welcomes new members on Monday evenings. Come along and enjoy a few free sessions of training. Tel: Harry Pettman on 2204525 or Mrs. Min Ingram on 4828285 for more information.

Women's Institute in Evington Village

Humberstone Heights and Belgrave Women's Institute hold their meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 2.00pm to 4.00pm at Evington Village Hall. Everyone is welcome with a view to joining. A very friendly welcome awaits you. For more information contact Josie Rowles Tel: 0792 220577.

Evington Social Club

Every Wednesday from 11.00am to 1.00pm at The Cedars, Main Street. Evington.
Tel: Renuka on 07514 202579.

Evington Library

Quilling and Crafts

This group now meet in Evington Library on Thursdays from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Pop in to see what they do.

Evington Library have a walk in Parent and Toddler group.

Tuesdays from 10.00am to 12noon.

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Email: larainetucker@icloud.com

Tai Chi with Nassar Butt

Fridays 09.00 -11.30am.
Evington Village Hall. For further information, contact Nassar on 077992242150.
(See article on page 3).

Evington Family History Group

Meetings are at St. Denys Parish Centre, Church Road, Evington, Leicester, LE5 6FA every Wednesday 10.00am to 12.00 noon. Car parking is available in the Church Car Park opposite the Church. Beginners welcome. For more details contact Judith Walmsley on 2764409.

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We meet on a Saturday afternoon once a month. For more information see the article on page 14.

Evington Village Fete and Show 2023

Saturday 12th August 2023 on Evington Village Green from 12.00noon to 5.00pm. For more information see the article on page 14.

Evington Village Mela 2023

Sunday 10th September on Evington Village Green from 10.00am to 6.00pm. For more information see the advert on page 5.

Rummikub Club

Monday morning at The Cedars In Evington at 11.00am and we play the game Rummikub.

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For further information please contact Lesly on 2419096.

St. Denys Church LE5 6FA

Monday Meets

We meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month except January from 2.00pm to 4.00pm in Evington Parish Centre, attached to St. Denys Church. LE5 6FA

Musical Toddler Group meet on Fridays from 10.00am to 11.00am at the Parish Centre. All preschool children welcome.

Youth Club and Music Night Meetings
Alternative Friday evenings from 7.00pm to 8.30pm at the Parish Centre. Play pool, table football or challenge your friends on the Wii.
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