

### Parish Council News

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I write this article on Friday morning, reflecting on the news that Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, passed away yesterday.

For many of us, we will have experienced no other monarch in our lifetime. The Queen was an outstanding example to us all in her stoic and unwavering commitment to leading our country.

Our thoughts are with the Royal Family at this time.

We will keep our website updated with details of how you can access Books of Condolence, both physical and online, as soon as that information is available from North Northants and West Northants Council. We will also post updates on our website on local services and events to mark Her Majesty's passing.

The Parish Council has met on two occasions since the last Newsletter, the last meeting being on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

In August, a representative from Lamport Hall spoke to the Council regarding a forthcoming planning application to build two new units Scaldwell Lodge. The units are proposed to be rented to a Search & Rescue charity and a motorcycle manufacturer. Questions were addressed from members of the public and Parish Councillors.

Planning Applications relating to the construction of a new dwelling at The Old Brick Field, Old Road; tree felling at Scaldwell Manor and the installation of secondary glazing at The Old Rectory Annexe were considered by the Council.

The Parish Council have been requested to ask residents to be considerate in respect of wheelie bins. It is appreciated that bins obviously have to be left out on footpaths to enable the collection of rubbish however, residents are requested to store their bins sensitively during all other times. Access for vehicles and pedestrians has been impeded in areas in the village by bins left out at all times. Your consideration would be appreciated on this point.

Following installation of the speed sign, the data collected thus far has illustrated a general reduction in the speed of traffic within the village. The sign is permitted to be placed at three different locations within the village and it will be relocated periodically to ensure maximum impact. The Parish Council would like to thank the rota of volunteers involved with changing the batteries and particularly, to Brian Hardie for his help and assistance in handling the data output.

The annual health and safety inspection of the playing field was completed earlier in the month. The report and actions from the inspection were minimal this year, reflecting the work completed by Cllr Monk and the Friends of Scaldwell Playing Field. Details of the autumn 'tidy-day' are provided elsewhere in the Newsletter and all residents who use the playing field are requested to attend and lend a hand in maintaining this excellent village facility.

Further works at the Playing Field are being planned to replace equipment previously removed due to safety concerns.

We are all aware of the impact of rising utility prices and the Parish Council are not exempt from these. The contract for the supply of electricity to the street lighting is due for renewal and costs for our electricity usage are rising. The Parish Council are working to secure a new supply contract and in the short term, we will be examining the duration that the street lights are illuminated for. It is likely that this will reduce in an attempt to reduce our expenditure in this area.

Finally, from me, as we have seen Boris depart from Downing Street this week, it is also time for me to move on. I'm pleased to advise that a candidate to join the Parish Council responded to my request in the June Newsletter and following my formal resignation, will join the Council shortly.

I'd like to thank my fellow Parish Councillors for the help and support that they have given me during my tenure as a Councillor and Chair, and for the continued hard work and energy that they invest on behalf of the village.

## NEWSLETTER EDITOR.

I have been editing the Newsletter since December 2006 (didn't realise it was that long!) and so after 15 years I would like to hand over the reins to someone else. The Newsletter started in January 1983 and an issue has always been delivered to every household by a band of volunteers. Thanks must go to Russel Vann who has, for many years, printed each edition and to the people who deliver the letter: Jackie and Paul Anstice, Annie Curtis, Bill Draper, Dave Keir and Michelle Wharton. I am happy to edit the December/January edition but will be retiring thereafter. It must be remembered that not all our neighbours use social media and indeed may not even have a computer, so I feel it is important that they are kept in touch with Parish Council News and all the activities that are taking place in our village and, therefore, that the Newsletter continues. If there is anyone who would consider taking up the Editorship then please let me know, contact details at the top of this Newsletter.

## Club News

16 cars joined in the now traditional August Treasure Hunt around the surrounding villages. A great time was had by all the participants and the selfies reached new heights of inventiveness. Congratulations to the Carter family for a well-deserved win.

We have the Halloween Disco for children coming up on October 29th at 6:30 – please do register on-line on the village website [www.scaldwellvillage.org](http://www.scaldwellvillage.org) if you want your children to attend as that will help us with planning. Make sure also that you mark the Saturday 5th November in your diary as the Fireworks are back; we have ordered low-noise fireworks this year which will be appreciated by the sheep and many of Scaldwell's dogs!

Do keep an eye on the website as we put together the next set of events; we are planning a gin-tasting, Christmas Starters (of course) and a Burns Night; there will be a limit on numbers for some of these events so make sure you reserve early! Incidentally, we want to draw on the collective opinions of the whole village in deciding on what the Club should be offering; accordingly we'll be sending out a short questionnaire in the next few weeks. Please keep an eye open for it and respond - we want to know your views!



## FRIENDS OF SCALDWELL PLAYING FIELD NEXT TIDY DAY – 16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

What a fantastic asset to our village!

Perhaps Scaldwellians would like to have an update on the playground's present situation?

It is the parish Council's sincere wish to purchase and install a new piece of equipment to add to the existing excellent equipment purchased and planned for throughout by the hard work of young mothers coming together and making it happen twelve years ago. Of course, during the subsequent years natural deterioration has made it necessary to ask for help from various charities and donations.

However, a major part of the money comes from the Parish Council's 'precept' which is your government's council tax: that is, the money for the park comes from the same purse as the street lighting; the grass cutting; the tree maintenance; the traffic calming; the Christmas tree and all maintenance.

The Council tries, always, to make the best use of the money available in the interests of all the residents of our beautiful village.

This year it was hoped that a new piece of equipment would become a reality and many many thanks go to Angie Molly, Claire and Paul for their time and help in perusing catalogues and magazines to find relevant apparatus and then preparing excellent ideas and information. The Council has retained all their work and is still very hopeful that things will go ahead, however the health and safety of the youngsters and us all is our first priority.

You may have noticed that the end of the tunnel and the seat near the climbing frame have been fixed. Unfortunately, the next priority is the entrance to our park, where the sleepers are disintegrating and the foliage is becoming very wild.

This is a very big job for which the Council have gleaned several quotes and the job is now earmarked for the Autumn.

After a large inspection in August, several things were highlighted as needing attention. (Bark for under the climbing frame; several missing bolt covers a twisted footrest and the poor state of the lovely animal armchairs, and more.)

All the lower parts of the wooden frames need wood preservative to stop the damp continuing; and the bottom of the slide and rope pull were highlighted as potential danger zones. They need a build-up of earth and turf.

Along with the cutting back of foliage, general cleaning and maintenance, the Council hopes that many helping hands will make light work on TIDY DAY **SUNDAY OCTOBER the 16<sup>th</sup>**. (Tom will very kindly keep us going with sustenance.)

This is Scaldwell's much loved, much used park.....

### SCALDWELL CHRISTMAS CARD

Again, with apologies for making you think about Christmas so early, but it is because the names of the people who wish to participate have to be included in the next newsletter which will be the December/January edition.

For several years a number of people have chosen to donate to charity instead of sending individual Christmas cards to their friends and neighbours in the village. A list of people participating will be sent to each household.

#### The charities that have benefitted have been:

£277 - Ovarian Cancer Action	£413 - The Gary Barton Memorial Trust
£490 - Cynthia Spencer Hospice	£443 - The Marie Curie Trust
£300 - NSPCC	£426 - RNLI
£345 - Cynthia Spencer Hospice	£369 - Gastroenterology Dept, NG
£455 - Shelter	£430 - Médecins Sans Frontières
£400 - Hope Centre	

**A total of £4348 raised in eleven years**

As we have done previously, a name will be drawn from the list of participants and the money raised will go to a charity of their choice. Those who have chosen a charity in previous years will be omitted from the draw so that eventually everyone will have a chance to choose a charity

**If you would like to take part this year, please let Sue Dodds-Smith  
know by**

**20th November. Contact Details at top of Newsletter**

#### Church Services – October/November

##### October

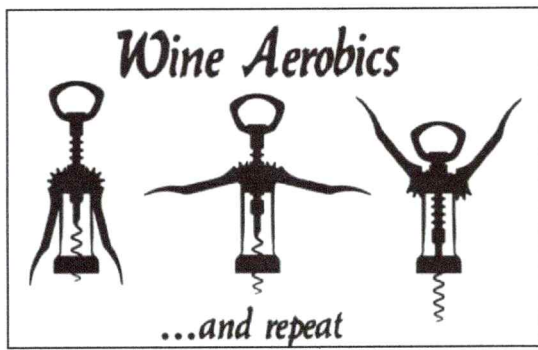
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Café Church – Walgrave	9.30am
	Harvest Festival – Scaldwell	11.00am
9 <sup>th</sup>	Communion – Walgrave	9.30am
	Harvest Festival – Hannington	11.00am
	Communion – Old	6.00pm
12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>MIDWEEK Communion Scaldwell</b>	9.30am
16 <sup>th</sup>	Communion - Walgrave	9.30am
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Family Service – Walgrave	9.30am
	Communion – Hannington	11.00am
26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>MIDWEEK Communion Scaldwell</b>	9.30am
30 <sup>th</sup>	Communion – Old	10.00am

##### November

6 <sup>th</sup>	Café Church – Walgrave	9.30am
	Communion – Scaldwell	11.00am
13 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance – Scaldwell	11.00am
16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>MIDWEEK Communion Scaldwell</b>	9.30am
20 <sup>th</sup>	Communion – Walgrave	9.30am
	Communion – Hannington	11.00am
23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>MIDWEEK Communion Scaldwell</b>	9.30 am
27 <sup>th</sup>	Family Service – Walgrave	9.30am
	Baptism Service – Hannington	11.00am
	Communion – Old	4.00pm

#### *THINGS TO PONDER*

- What if my dog only brings the ball back because he thinks I like throwing it?
- If the poison expiration date is past does that mean it's less or more poisonous?
- Which letter is "scent" is silent ... is it the s or c?
- Do twins ever realise that one of them is unplanned?
- Why is "W" pronounced "double U" instead of "double V"?
- What if oxygen is killing you and it just takes 75 to 100 years to work?
- Every time you clean you make something else dirty.
- 100 years ago, everyone had a horse, only the rich had a car. Today everyone has cars and only the rich have horses.
- If you replace the "W" with a "T" in "what, where and when", you have the answers to



St Peter and St Paul's  
Church



**HARVEST FESTIVAL AND HARVEST LUNCH**  
**Sunday 2nd October 2022**

The Harvest Festival Service will take place at St Peter and St Paul's Church on 2nd October at 11.00am.

**All are welcome to the Service of Thanksgiving.**

Produce will be gratefully received from Saturday and donated to local foodbanks after the service.

The lunch will be in the Village Hall at 12.30 for 1.00pm and will be cottage pie, mixed vegetables followed by a selection of desserts.

Please advise if vegetarian and gluten free options are required.

Tickets £5 per person (children under 14 are free).

Reserve your place by e,mail to juda\_1@btinternet.com, stating a lead name and total number of adults and children.

Confirmation will be by return of e,mail together with details for payment.

**Scaldwell Parish Trust and Relief in Need Charities**

The next meeting of the Charities will be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November and grant applications should be made to the Clerk, Sue Dodds-Smith, The Old Barn, High Street or [d.dodds@me.com](mailto:d.dodds@me.com)

Each Christmas the Scaldwell Relief in Need Charity makes a Christmas gift to pensioners and those with disabilities living in the village.

These gifts will be made automatically in December to those who have received them in past years. If, however, you have now qualified for a Christmas gift by achieving retirement age or if you are disabled then please advise any of the Trustees (Sally Thorne, Roger Morgan, Margaret Vinton, Pam Long, Jane Monk, David Keir or the Clerk to the Charity, Sue Dodds-Smith

Please also remember that if you need help meeting a financial commitment then please apply. All applications are treated in the strictest confidence.

Grants also available towards items for the benefit the village.

**PLEASE SUBMIT ITEMS FOR THE NOVEMBER/  
DECEMBER ISSUE BY 23<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER**