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**DECEMBER SERVICES**

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| 01 | Sung Eucharist and Bread Service (all welcome to this unique celebration) | 9.15 am  |
| 08 | Holy Communion  | 8.00 am  |
| 15 | Sung Eucharist  | 9.15 am  |
| 22 | Family Service  | 10.30 am |
| 24 | Village Christmas Celebration   | 4.30 pm  |
| 25 | Christmas Day Sung Eucharist  | 9.15 am  |
| 29 | United Benefice Service   | 10.30 am |
- at OLD

**HARVEST FESTIVAL AND SUPPER.** The Festival on 20 October proved to be a happy occasion with the church full of flowers and produce. Many thanks to all who provided so much. At 6pm we reassembled for a delicious chicken casserole and a great variety of puddings. Including the auction, we raised over £200.

**CHRISTMAS OFFERING - CAROL SERVICE - CELEBRATION, ON CHRISTMAS EVE, 4.30PM IN CHURCH.** Please may I remind everyone that this is a village occasion - 'by the village, for the village' - and in order for it to happen I need villagers to offer to take part. The senior choir is rehearsing and hopefully will be in good voice. The children's choir can only happen if children are willing to come to rehearse - on Fridays beginning on 29 Nov, and every subsequent Friday until 24 Dec - from 5 to 5.30pm in the Old Barn, East End. Please can we persuade the children to come, and can I stress that there is no upper or lower age limit!

I would also very much appreciate any volunteer soloists - vocal or instrumental - and Maggie Angeloglou would, I am sure, welcome volunteer readers. I look forward to seeing you in church on 24 Dec.

Margaret Vinton ☎ 880359.

**REACH BACK?** An envelope (stamped REACH OUT) with enclosures inviting you to participate in your parish church was delivered to all villagers last month.

Did you read and have a think about it? Have you put it aside to deal with 'sometime', or binned it as 'never'? This is a reminder to encourage another thought and ask for comments on any aspect of mutual help.

Any of the following church council members would welcome your reactions or ideas: Jack Deacon, Dick or Joan Randell, Christopher Angeloglou, Sue Dodds-Smith, Jonathan Calvert, Chris or Allan Nash, Elizabeth Hill-Smith and Geoffrey Thomas.

**BREAD SERVICE.** This unique service has been held annually for over 320 years in Scaldwell. Thomas Roe's will stipulated a December annual thanksgiving service with a sermon at which a loaf would be given to the poor families who attended.

Nowadays the custom is for one of the specially baked loaves to be given to a member of each household attending (with some taken to the house bound).

All are welcome to this special service. It is hoped that enough loaves have been ordered!

**PARISH COUNCIL****MAGGIE ANGELOLOU**

**DURING OCTOBER A PLANNING APPLICATION** was presented for a development at Brickyard Farm, Old Road, providing 5 new houses and with the intention to demolish the barn yard, as well as removing the cob wall and making an access point on the worst part of the bend. A well-attended council meeting resulted in a letter being sent to Daventry planning department objecting to the proposed development. Ton and Sally Smith at Park House were particularly distressed by the plans, and their daughter Rachel asked the audience to protest individually in writing to Daventry. Many people from the village sent letters of protest after the Smiths circulated a leaflet.

There was an on-site meeting attended by Paul Green, head of the planning department, Janet McArthy, head of the planning committee, and three other district councillors. Three Scaldwell councillors, a representative of the developers and the architect were there, and John Harley represented the protestors, about a dozen of whom also attended. Paul Green pointed out that Daventry would never have passed the plans for many of the reasons voiced by the Parish council and protestors. The site was inspected (lots of slurry!) and the architect, developer and the planning department all agreed to all the suggestions, reducing the number of houses to four, retaining the barn yard and the cob wall, and changing the access.

Scaldwell is a 'restricted infill' village and should not be compared with Brixworth which is a limited development village, and as such has been scheduled to take the 'heat' off surrounding villages by expansion in new housing estates. A 'restricted infill' village will normally be eligible for residential development: a) on a small scale, b) within the village boundaries, c) ensuring that open land isn't developed which is 'of particular significance to the form and character of the village', and d) that existing buildings may be converted to residential use providing they are in keeping.

Under these guidelines from the Daventry District Local Plan, which was modified on the advice of environment inspectors in a report published in October this year, farmyards and even gardens and orchards may be able to resist development if they make a contribution to their environment. Obviously their condition would also affect their retention.

### THE SCALDWELL DIRECTORY

IT IS SOME YEARS SINCE A SIMILAR LIST OF 'WHAT AND WHO' IN THE VILLAGE was circulated. Many new folk have moved in, so Parish Council Vice Chairman Kath Frankland (the data) and Sports Club Chairman Rob Thorne (generous production) have taken the initiative for the accompanying updated directory.

Any changes should appear in future Newsletters: please keep Chris Nash informed.

### SPORTS CLUB

ROB THORNE

THE AGM WILL TAKE PLACE on Monday 27 January 1997 in the Village Hall. There are two vacancies on the Committee, and I would like to hear from anyone who would be willing to stand for election. If you are interested please contact me before Christmas, either by phone on ☎ 880645, or in writing.

A reminder that 'Club Mornings' will continue every Sunday through the winter months from 11 am (weather permitting). No bookings are necessary, just turn up for a game.

We have been offered a regular Tuesday evening booking for badminton at Moulton School, starting in the next week or two if there is sufficient interest. Please ring me if you would like to play badminton on a Tuesday evening (7 to 9.30).

The Sports Club Committee wishes all members and friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

### VILLAGE HALL '100 CLUB'

NIGEL GOODENOUGH

AS MANY OF YOU WILL KNOW, the Village Hall Management has for a number of years run a '100 Club' each winter to raise funds for the Village Hall. The day-to-day running costs of the Hall are covered by income from lettings, and the income from the 100 Club is used to fund major items of non-routine expenditure.

This year we are raising money for new toilets, and we plan to run the 100 Club again. However the format will be slightly different from previous years. There will be fifteen draws at approximately weekly intervals from 15 December to 27 March. We accordingly need as many villagers as possible to commit themselves to a membership of £1 per week over the 15 week period, ie a total of £15.

You should by now have received a form inviting you to join. If you have, please complete it as directed and return it to any VHMC member. If you have not had a form, please give me a call on ☎ 882136.

## SCALDWELL CLUB

MARK UNDERWOOD

A BIG 'THANK YOU' TO ALL THOSE who attended the Monte Carlo Evening on Saturday 16 November; it proved to be enjoyable and a great success.

On Saturday 7 December 'Lip Service' returns to the Club. If you would like tickets, they are now available from all committee members. Come along, have a dance and listen to a great group.

A reminder that Christmas Starters this year is on Sunday 22 December at 12 noon. Collections will be made as usual for raffles and 'hampers'.

To finish the year off, and bring in the New one, there will be a Juke Box Party on New Year's Eve, when the Club will be open from 8pm to 12.30am.

Lastly, on behalf of the Club, thanks to everyone who has supported Scaldwell Club, and may that continue in 1997. BEST WISHES TO EVERYONE FOR THE FORTHCOMING YEAR.

## BOWLS CLUB

JOHN HARLEY

THE BOWLS CLUB ACTIVITIES ARE IN FULL SWING now that the autumn is advancing. On 14 October we entertained Broughton and had a narrow win.

The Club internal singles and pairs competitions are taking place. There is a date limitation on each round so I would like to jog the memory of everyone so that all matches are played.

## BONFIRE NIGHT

ALISON GOODENOUGH

MANY THANKS TO ALL who made this event so successful, and particularly to Wally Forsyth and his intrepid helpers for buying and setting off the fireworks on 5 November.

The collection round the village, and money taken at the gate, was enough to cover the costs of the fireworks (together with a generous contribution from the Club) and to leave a small surplus for Youth Club funds which can be used towards next year's event.

## YOUTH CLUB

LYN GUNNETT

THE YOUTH CLUB WOULD LIKE TO THANK the people of the village for their generous contribution towards 'Penny for the Guy'. £150 was raised, and a good night was had by all!

Thank you again to everyone who took part in helping with the fireworks and the food at the Village Hall.

After a good response from the parents we are hopeful that the Youth Club will continue until the end of the term.

## COUNTERPOINT

JANE MONK

Dates for your diary from Counterpoint, The Old Barn, East End, Scaldwell, ☎ 882287:

SAT 7 DECEMBER, 7.30pm. 'Bubble with Bruce' - a sparkling evening of jazz.

SAT 14 DECEMBER, 7.30pm in Scaldwell Church. A CHRISTMAS CONCERT (a donation will be given to the church organ fund).

## BRAMPTON VALLEY PROJECT

THE BRAMPTON VALLEY COUNTRYSIDE PROJECT HELPS PARISH COUNCILS, VILLAGE GROUPS AND LANDOWNERS TO TURN GOOD IDEAS INTO PROJECTS. JULIET MICHAEL, THE PROJECT OFFICER, OFFERS INFORMATION, GRANTS ADVICE AND PRACTICAL HELP ON ALL SORTS OF SCHEMES.

The project was set up in 1993. Since then it has helped villages and landowners to plant thousands of trees, improve playing fields, restore ponds, hedgerows and dry stone walls and produce village leaflets. Juliet is now working with a number of parishes on ideas and grants for their millennium projects.

'Lots of people have ideas for village projects or something they would like to do for wildlife on their land, but they often don't know where to go for advice, or how to find out what grants are available. That's where I can help. I can be a first point of contact and will give whatever level of support and practical help people need,' said Juliet Michael.

If you have an idea but don't know how to make it happen, then give Juliet a call on ☎ 686594. The Brampton Valley Countryside Project is part of the County Council's Countryside Services Branch.

**DATES FOR YOUR  
DIARIES**

DECEMBER	
01	Bread Service in Church, at 9.15am
07	Bruce Boardman jazz evening in The Old Barn, 7.30pm  'Lip Service' in the Village Hall, tickets from committee members
22	Christmas Starters, 12 noon in the Village Hall
24	Christmas Celebration, 4.30pm in the Church
31	Juke Box Party, Club open from 8pm to 12.30am
JANUARY 1997	
27	Sports Club AGM, 8pm in the Village Hall

**FOR SALE**

JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS ☺

A FULL-SIZED (PUB) POOL TABLE IN VERY GOOD CONDITION. FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE RING ☎ 880359

**THANK YOU AND A VERY HAPPY  
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR  
TO ALL READERS**

*I especially wish to thank all contributors, plus Jim Ainsworth, Brian Hurst and Barclaycard, who make this Newsletter possible.*

**CHRIS NASH**

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