

SCALDWELL SPORTS CLUB

We are happy to report that the Tennis Courts are now open and many of you have paid your subscriptions. If you would like to join –

Family Membership - £25
Couples Membership - £20
Single Membership - £15
Non-villagers - £40

Subscriptions should be paid to Michelle Wharton, 2 East End and upon payment you will be given the combination number to the padlock to allow entry. With this glorious weather now is the time to get your tennis racket dusted down.

Covid 19. Please wear gloves when dealing with the padlock and gate and please be aware of social distancing.

Remember our neighbours. Could we also ask that members remember close neighbours and be mindful of noise when playing in the evening.

Coaching. We have now made contact with a fully qualified coach who is willing to give tennis tuition. At the moment it will have to be on a one to one basis but when restrictions are lifted she is willing to give group coaching. Please contact Margaret Vinton, Rob Thorne, Michelle Wharton, Dudley Cross or Sue Dodds-Smith if you are interested.

NEWSPAPER DELIVERY

Those of us who have a newspaper delivery have received a letter from the Newsagent to say that Andy, our delivery man, has not been in good health and has decided to retire. Unfortunately, Mr Patel has been unable to find a replacement. Is there anyone willing to take on the collection and delivery of the papers, perhaps forming a rota? We pay £2 per week for delivery so assume everyone would still be willing to pay this amount. If you have any ideas please contact Sue (881950)

Parish Council meetings: Zoom access information.

The next council meetings will be held virtually, via Zoom.

Here are the access details:

Annual Parish Meeting

Time: Jun 29, 2020 06:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/97480367838?pwd=MDJDVTrWWNGL1VIZ2Mxa2tyV2I2QT09>

Meeting ID: 974 8036 7838

Password: 074570

Annual Parish Council Meeting

Time: Jun 29, 2020 06:30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting

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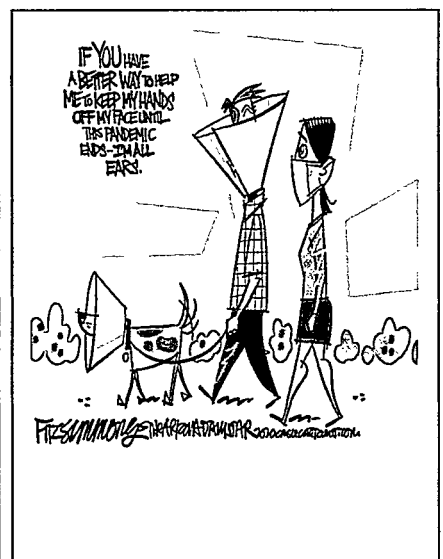
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The Scaldwell Helping Hands

The Scaldwell Helping Hands group continues to grow (if you want to join in, please text or WhatsApp Nick Masterson-Jones on 07584 092010). We've registered with the local authorities and have, as is prudent these days, planned for the worst and hoped for the best. A highlight recently has been the village rallying around to help a pregnant cat that was abandoned here recently - perhaps not quite an end-of-the-world situation but it was still good to help her. Thanks to the Joyners for providing a feline maternity unit! Do keep an eye on the Scaldwell website as, if we need to get information out, that will be the most effective channel.

While all organised gatherings are strictly forbidden by the authorities, it was still nice to see so many people spontaneously appear at the Village Green to celebrate VE Day and to hear the bells ring out in memory of the heroes who fought to preserve the freedoms that we so dearly cherish in this country. Hearing Her Majesty address the nation, followed by a stirring rendition of "We'll Meet Again" was very moving.

A great sign of the community spirit here has been the support for the foodbank in Kettering. Sadly, there is a lot of demand on foodbanks everywhere and this area is no exception. The schedule is that there is a fortnightly run organised by the church every other Wednesday. There is a clearly marked box outside Home Farmhouse in the days running up to the delivery but do feel free to leave a tin or two on the doorstep at Home Farmhouse (it has bemused some of the delivery drivers who have wondered why there is food on the doorstep) whenever and it'll go on the next run. Tinned food is always welcome and each fortnight we have sent multiple boxes off to Kettering. A massive thank you to everyone who has contributed so far and, please, let's keep this going.



Parish Council News

Chairman: Eugene O'Leary, 5 Back Lane.

Vice Chair: Dudley Cross, Ash Tree House, Old Road

Councillors: -

Pam Long, Orchard House, West End

Dara Masterson-Jones, Home Farmhouse, The Green.

Sally Thorne, Grooms Lodge, High Street,

Margaret Vinton, The Old House, East End

Matthew Wharton, 2 East End,

Clerk: Hayley Cawthorne, Rose Cottage, Station Road, North Kilworth

Website: - www.scaldwellvillage.org

email - scaldwellpc@gmail.com

The Parish council met on Thursday 21st May. This was our first meeting via zoom.

Although there has been some easing of the lockdown restrictions, I am sorry to say that the following will remain closed: The village Hall, The club, The playing field, and the church.

We are aware that a number of villagers have asked about the possible reopening of the playing field and have offered various suggestions as to how this might be done. However, Council agreed that it must remain closed to comply with current Government instructions.

Although it is very pleasing to see all the surrounding footpaths being used so extensively, concerns have been expressed from local landowners. It would seem some people are walking through the crops and not sticking to the signposted footpaths while others are letting their dogs roam through crops as well as not disposing of their dog poo bags. May we ask those concerned to please adhere to the correct use of the public footpaths.

The issue of bonfires has also been brought to our attention. If bonfires have to be lit, then may we ask they are not done so on windy days and that due consideration is given to neighbours!

Council has appointed a new clerk, Fiona Young, who will be taking up her role later in the year.

The next scheduled meeting, which will include both the Annual Parish Council Meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting, will take place, via Zoom, on Monday 29th June. Information on how to access the meeting will be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

In the meantime, please keep safe!

Councillor Vacancy

As you may have been aware, there was due to be a Parish Council election in May. Unfortunately, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, all Parish elections were postponed until May 2021. Therefore, those councillors who were planning on stepping down and those who wished to remain on the Parish Council, are still councillors by default. However, Councillors are of course able to resign at any point. At our meeting on the 21st May, Cllr Matt Wharton offered his resignation to the Parish Council. The Parish Council were very appreciative of Matt's contribution to parish council business and thanked him on behalf of the parish for this. Matt will continue to be the Neighbourhood Watch coordinator for Scaldwell Parish and oversee the Neighbourhood Watch WhatsApp group.

Due to Matt's resignation, there is a vacancy on the Parish Council. Daventry Elections Team have been informed and a notice of Casual Vacancy has been posted on the Parish noticeboard. This gives details of how Scaldwell residents can request an election if they feel it is necessary. If, after 14 days, an election request by 10 or more residents has not been received, the Parish Council will then be in a position to co-opt a Scaldwell resident on to the Parish Council

Please note, if an election is called, this will not take place before May 2021. It is likely that the outcome will be for the Parish Council to co-opt. Therefore, if any Scaldwell resident wishes to put themselves forward to be considered for the vacant Parish Councillor post, please contact the Scaldwell Parish Clerk directly at scaldwellpc@gmail.com by 23rd June 2020.

If at first you succeed, try not to look too astonished.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2020

Normally in May, Christian Aid Week envelopes would be dropping through your letterboxes, with a follow-up visit a few days later to collect any donations you wish to make. In the past you have been very generous, for which the Charity is extremely grateful

As a result of Covid-19, the house-to-house collection will not take place this year. However, as Christian Aid Week is the main fundraising event for the Charity, you will be able, if you wish, to donate by any of the following three methods:

- Telephone Donations: 08080 006 006
- Online Donations: www.caweek.org
- SMS (Text) Donations: Text GIVE to 70040 to donate £5

Here is a message from the Charity:

“Christian Aid and our partners already have experience of limiting the spread of infection during the Ebola crisis, and we will build on this experience to continue to stand together with communities living in poverty during this period. If infection rates start to develop as they are in Europe, then people in poorer countries will be hit even harder. Many are already living with reduced health resilience because of extreme poverty, or in overcrowded humanitarian camps and in countries which do not have the healthcare infrastructures needed to combat widespread disease. We will be working on the ground to help prepare communities to limit the impact of Covid-19. Please support us where you can, by making a donation.”

Thank you, Jane Hensman.

NEWS REGARDING THE BRIXWORTH BULLETIN JUNE ISSUE FROM THE EDITOR.

Issue 65 of the Brixworth Bulletin, aka the June 2020 issue, is now available online. It's online only so don't expect this to come through your letterbox.

I would therefore be massively grateful if people could forward it, share it with their Facebook friends, and send it to anyone else you think might be interested. I hope you enjoy it. We've got lots of stories about how the community has come together to help each other out, and hopefully some useful information too.

To see the issue, go to the link below and go to Issue 65. <http://brixworthbulletin.co.uk/archive.htm?menu=50&skin=3&p=archive>

PS If anybody wants a hi-res version of the file to print out, maybe because they know someone who'd like to read it but hasn't got internet access, email me (editor@brixworthbulletin.co.uk) and I'll send you the file (but warning, it's huge)

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

UNFORTUNATELY, APART FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL ZOOM MEETINGS, THERE ARE NO DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES.

ITEM SFOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER BY 23RD JUNE PLEASE.

LET'S HOPE FOR BETTER THINGS IN JULY AND AUGUST.