

### Parish Council News

**Chairman:** Dudley Cross - Ash Tree House, Old Road  
**Councillors:** Pam Long - Orchard House, West End. Dara Masterson-Jones - Home Farmhouse, The Green. Margaret Vinton - The Old House, East End. Richard Wilson - The Old Thatch, West End. Emre Amirak - Scaldwell House, High Street. Jane Monk - 1 Poplars Court, West End  
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Since the last newsletter, the Parish Council has met in February and March, both meetings have been held via 'Zoom'.

Richard Wilson stepped down from his role as a Councillor at the end of January 2021. The Council would like to thank Richard for his contribution during his period as a Councillor.

In addition to the two meetings of the Parish Council, a further public meeting was held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020, again via 'Zoom' specifically to discuss issues of speeding, parking and vehicles mounting the footpath within the High Street.

Councillor Masterson-Jones led the meeting and the thoughts and outputs from the discussion were relayed back to the Parish Council at the March meeting. The Council thank all who gave of their time to attend the meeting and offer constructive thoughts on the issues that we are experiencing.

Council have proposed to address the issues in a phased manner, the first action will be to obtain illuminated speeding signage that will alert drivers if they are breaking the speed limit. This is a lengthy process due to the requirement to obtain a licence for the signage but this process is now underway.

In conjunction with the above item, Council was requested to remind residents and their guests to park in a considerate manner, especially in the area on and around the village green near Poplars Farm. It was reported that vehicles are double-parked in this location on a regular basis which causes inconvenience to residents on Back Lane and West End.

Council agreed in principle to the proposed relocation of the war memorial from the well onto Cross Hill. Plans are now being drawn-up to illustrate this proposal.

Villagers are also reminded that there are two bins on the village green, one for general refuse and one for dog mess – please do not confuse the two as has happened on occasion recently!

Works to the village green, trees and redecoration of the former telephone kiosk have all been approved and instructed by the Council and will commence following an improvement in the weather.

The next scheduled meeting of the Parish Council will take place, via Zoom, on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2021**. Information on how to access the meeting will be found on the agenda.

### **NSPCC Village Contribution**

Thank you very much to all those who contributed to the Collection for the NSPCC. After including some additional very generous donations that were dropped through my door, the total raised is now £271.81, which is greatly appreciated, and will help to provide much needed services to children.

Many thanks.

Pam Long

### **Harry's Rainbow**

On 3rd May I'm running the MK Marathon for the charity Harry's Rainbow which gives support to young children who have lost a significant loved one such as a sibling or parent. If you are able to help me raise some cash during these tough times my just giving page

is: [justgiving.com/fundraising/Helen-Johnson142](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Helen-Johnson142)

Thanks for your support

Helen Johnson



## SCALDWELL SPORTS CLUB

As the new season approaches let us hope that it is a better one than 2020/21. From the Clubs point of view, it has actually been a good year. Resurfacing work has taken place on Court 1 and we are sure this improvement will be much appreciated by the members – although they will no longer be able to blame the uneven surface for their wayward shots!!

As well as the resurfacing work, maintenance has been carried out to the damaged kickboards, the court fencing and surrounding area. The committee would like to give many thanks to the wonderful response we had to the request for donations towards the resurfacing work. This response, together with a grant of £10,000 from Daventry District Council, enabled the work to go ahead. An amazing £1,210 was raised from personal donations, coming from the Club's members but also from non-members. Without this response we could not have carried out the resurfacing work so a big thank you.

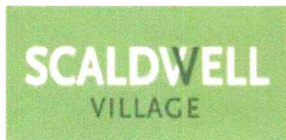
We held our Annual General Meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> March with all 32 members notified and invited to attend. As is usual in these strange times it was held via Zoom, but I guess we are all getting used to that.

**Subscriptions will be due on the 1<sup>st</sup> May** and for existing members a reminder will be emailed to them. If you would like to become a member please contact one of the committee and they will let you have the necessary application form. On receipt of payment, you will be given a membership card along with the code number to allow you access to the courts.

Subscription fees are as follows:

Family Membership	£30
Couple Membership	£25
Non-village Membership	£40

**Committee Member:** Margaret Vinton (880359), Rob Thorne (880645), Sue Dodds-Smith (881950), Michelle Wharton (07870 607374), Richard Gent (07528522638) and Dudley Cross (880 933)



**The village hall is here to support the community and is available for hire**

**So, whether you need a space for an exercise class, an art group or a social gathering. Please remember the village hall.**

**Please contact Diana O'Neil for more details on 01604 882143**

**Watch this space for details on our re-opening. There will be refreshments and even cake**



**Covid-19 compliant and all Government guidelines adhered to**

SCALDWELL VILLAGE HALL AND CLUB  
COMMITTEE

## *Our community needs you!*

It's been a long year but there is finally light at the end of the tunnel. With the lockdown restrictions easing and the hope that things will be back to normal by the end of June what better way than for the people of Scaldwell to celebrate with a party.

We have the outside space and the band are on stand by, we just need to make it happen.

If you would like to volunteer to help organise a post-lockdown party this summer please get in touch with Kelly at [KELLYTBOOTH@GMAIL.COM](mailto:KELLYTBOOTH@GMAIL.COM)



**A Time for Reflection and Preparation**  
**By David Bent, Rector of Walgrave Benefice**

It seems to me that the third lockdown has been harder to navigate than the previous two. Maybe it is because we are jaded after a year of isolation, maybe it is because it has happened in the winter with cold, wet days and long nights, or maybe it is the fear of the more contagious variants of the virus. But there is light at the end of the tunnel, as the nation gets vaccinated.

The six weeks in the church calendar leading up to Easter are known as Lent and are based around the forty days that Jesus spent alone in the wilderness of Israel. Lent is seen as a time of reflection and preparation before the Church's great celebration of Easter itself.

I think there are some parallels between these situations, and maybe something to encourage us today.

For Jesus, coming out of the wilderness was enormously significant, and marked the beginning of a *new normal* for him; no longer just the carpenter's son, he began his three years of ministry. There were struggles to come in the form of rejection and crucifixion, but the impact of his ministry would be global and would span the centuries.

It was Easter that marked the beginning of the *new normal* for the disciples as they celebrated the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. Again, there were struggles to come in the form of the persecution of the Early Church, but their message of resurrection is still celebrated today.

I think we have been in a form of wilderness for this last year, with much hardship and loss. There will no doubt be struggles ahead, and some restrictions will remain in place, but the end of lockdown will be widely celebrated as we slowly discover the freedom of our *new normal*.

Maybe now is a time for reflection and preparation as we look back at what we have lost and look forwards to what is to come. The future is uncertain, but Good Friday is followed by Easter Sunday. God is the God of resurrection. He was with us in the dark times and he goes with us into the future.

**St Peter's and St Paul's Church, Scaldwell**

The churches in Walgrave benefice are all open for private prayer. St Peter's and St Paul's Scaldwell is open each day from 10.00 am until 3.00 pm. The churches in the other villages are open at times advertised on their notice boards.

Sunday services will resume at Easter following Covid regulations involving face coverings and social distancing.

There is a weekly online service which can be viewed on YouTube by searching for 'Walgrave Benefice' or by going to our website [www.walgravebenefice.org](http://www.walgravebenefice.org) and clicking the link on the home page. There you will also find a daily 'Thought for the Day'.

For more information about weddings, baptisms or pastoral support please contact Revd David Bent on 781667 or by email to [davidbent99@btinternet.com](mailto:davidbent99@btinternet.com)

**Easter Services in Walgrave Benefice**

We are delighted to announce that church services in The Walgrave Benefice will resume over the Easter period as follows.

**Please observe all the Covid guidelines regarding face coverings and social distancing**

**Maundy Thursday – April 1st**

Agape Supper - 6.30 pm, online via Zoom Bring something to eat plus some bread and wine and some hand gel!  
Meeting ID: 831 1340 4869 Passcode: 612113

**Good Friday – April 2nd**

Good Friday Reflection at the Cross 2.00 pm at **Scaldwell**

**Easter Day – April 4th**

Family Communion Services 9.00 am at **Hannington** 10.30 at **Walgrave** 10.30 at **Old**

**Sunday April 11<sup>th</sup>**

Family Communion Service 10.00 at **Scaldwell**

**Sunday April 18<sup>th</sup>**

Family Communion Service 10.00 at **Walgrave**

**Sunday April 25<sup>th</sup>**

Family Communion Service 10.00 at **Old**

**Further information on the benefice website - [www.walgravebenefice.org](http://www.walgravebenefice.org)**



## FOOD BANK APPEAL



**Can you afford to donate just one tin of soup or one packet of biscuits or perhaps a bottle of shampoo? It really would make the world of difference to someone else.**

At Scaldwell we have been supporting the Kettering food bank for 6 years. The foodbank in Kettering is in constant demand. It is extremely well organised by the most amazing band of volunteers, from drivers who collect from the supermarkets, to those who organise the donated items in order of type and sell by date, pack the boxes and deliver them to the centres from where they are distributed.

I collect all donations left in the box outside Home Farm (on the corner of the High Street, opposite the Green) on alternative Wednesday mornings at 10.00am

The next dates for collection are 14th, 28th April; 12th<sup>th</sup>, 26th<sup>th</sup> May; 9th, 23rd June.

Donations of tinned fruit, vegetables and meat are particularly welcome. Items for personal care, milk products such as custard and rice pudding alongside staple groceries of pasta, sauces, tea, coffee and squash would all very much be appreciated.

**Unfortunately, fresh products, already opened packages or items past their sell by date cannot be used.**

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

Judith Willis (lay pastoral minister) 07963950410

### **Additional information from Scaldwell Sports Club**

We have been very lucky in securing the services of Maddee Blair who is a level 3 qualified LTA accredited coach with six years experience. Maddee is trained to deliver specific disabled sessions, cardio tennis and the YTA youth sessions and hopes to offer the following programme during the coming season. Look out for further details.

#### **Junior Coaching:**

- Run a junior coaching programme on Saturday mornings, 9.30-12.30pm, incorporating the Mini Red (5-8 years), Mini Orange/Green (9-11 years), Full Ball Juniors (11+) levels.
- Tots Tennis (2-4years) session running on a weekday morning.

#### **Adult Coaching:**

- Look to develop an adult coaching programme, such as beginner, rusty rackets and ladies mornings.
- Cardio tennis sessions – fun, keep fit style tennis session which requires no previous tennis experience.

#### **Inclusive Tennis:**

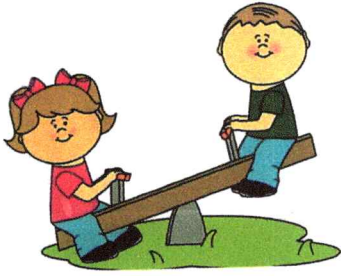
- Look to expand links made during local sessions already held in Northampton to Scaldwell.

#### **Events:**

- Run a Quorn family tennis tournament, and other family friendly tennis festivals on a periodic bases.
- American Tennis Tournaments, for adults and stronger junior players. These events are timed, and partners change after every match and are a fun way of getting new members and less confident players more involved in the club. They are also a great way of raising money either for the club or chosen charities.
- Look to host Big Tennis Weekends, free tennis taster days advertised by the LTA

#### **Growing the Membership:**

- All individuals attending coaching would be required to sign up as club members.
- Would it be possible to introduce a 'Coaching membership'? This would only allow people to attend coaching sessions, and would apply for first year membership only, and individuals would be required to take out a full membership in subsequent year.



## PLAYGROUND TIDY DAY

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

10 am

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK SO YOUR  
HELP WOULD BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED