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FEBRUARY/MARCH SERVICES

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| 6 th Feb | Sung Eucharist | 9.15 am |
| 13 th Feb | NO SERVICE | |
| 20 th Feb | Sung Eucharist | 9.15 am |
| 27 th Feb | Family Service | 10.30 am |
| 5 th Mar | Sung Eucharist | 9.15 am |
| 12 th Mar | Lent 1 Holy Communion | 8.00 am |
| 19 th Mar | Lent 2 Sung Eucharist | 9.15 am |
| 26 th Mar | Lent 3 Family Service | 10.30 am |

Rest in Peace

The funeral of Geoffrey Roberts took place on Wednesday 12th January. Our sympathy goes to Millie and her family. Geoffrey is now at rest after a long and distressing illness. He will be remembered for his smiles.

Christmas Services

The Christmas Eve Carol Service prepared beautifully by Maggie Angeloglou and Margaret Vinton was successfully executed by the choir and the children, singers as well as instrumentalists. One hundred and thirty, including the choir, helped to fill the church.

Our 'Celebration 2000' service at 11.30 am on 1st January 2000 attracted 3 youngsters and 44

adults including a family gathering from Northampton who searched for a '2000' service with ringing bells. Thank you, Nigel, it was good to hear the familiar wondrous sound. Coffee, tea, squash and biscuits were served, something we hope to repeat. The retiring collection made over £44 for the Christian Aid Appeal for the Orissa Storm and Flood Disaster.

PARISH COUNCIL**KATH FRANKLAND****Millennium Mugs**

The Scaldwell commemorative mug is in fine bone china and features a striking illustration of the Parish Church, gold decoration and the words 'Scaldwell 2000 AD'. It is an attractive souvenir which will, we hope, be of lasting interest in years to come.

The mug was designed as a gift for the children of Scaldwell but extra copies were made and are now available. They can be bought at the cost price of £3 each (please ring 880082). Do not miss this unique opportunity! We would like to thank Bob Frankland for the design of the mug.

Dogs

Another incident concerning a dog was reported on 31st December at the junction of Peters Lane and the High Street. The person taking a walk was menaced and a vehicle forced to stop as the dog was roaming loose. Please do make sure that dogs are under control.

SCALDWELL CLUB**ROGER MORGAN**

Christmas Starters 1999 was a huge success with the tombola and auction raising a massive £500 and bar takings in excess of £300. This

boost to the club exchequer will ensure continued funding of the pensioners' Christmas dinner and the fireworks for Bonfire Night.

The Club Committee would like to thank all those who generously donated gifts and supported the tombola and auction. Thanks are also due to those who worked tirelessly with setting up, clearing away and manning the bar, which was awash with beer as well as money!!

The Village Quiz, on 21st January was another successful venture. Thanks to Pete and Julie Barford and their army of helpers for a well organised event. I think we all know the name of Tonto's horse now, don't we?!!

The next big event for the Club is the Kettering Operatic Society Concert on Saturday 26th February. Flyers will be posted around the village shortly.

A belated happy new year to you all from the Club Committee.

SPORTS CLUB

KATHY MORGAN

The winter tennis season is in full swing and the men's team are maintaining steady progress in the league. Watch this space for the final result.

The AGM was held on 24th January and the committee remain unchanged. Thanks to all who attended.

We hope to recruit a number of new members this year so watch out for the forms which will be distributed in the spring. Tennis is a great way to keep fit whatever your standard of play – see you on court!

YOUTH CLUB

LYNN GUNNETT

A belated thank you to everyone who contributed to Penny for the Guy collection which raised £165. Thanks also to those who organised the fireworks. It was a great night and everyone really enjoyed themselves.

For the time being, the Youth Club is closed but we are planning to re-open it in September. More news on that nearer the time.

MISCELLANEOUS

SCALDWELL PARISH TRUST AND SCALDWELL RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY

There will be a meeting of the Trustees of these charities on 29th February 2000 and applications for grants will be considered then.

The Trustees of the Parish Trust may apply the income of the trust 'as they think fit for any charitable purpose for the general benefit of the inhabitants of Scaldwell'. The income of the Relief in Need Charity is to be applied to the relief in need of persons resident in the parish by making grants of money or by paying for items or services.

Please will those wishing to apply for grants falling within these objects submit their applications to me by 22nd February. All applications to the Relief in Need Charity will be kept confidential to the Trustees.

VILLAGE HALL REFURBISHMENT

As many of you may know by now Scaldwell has been allocated £18,000 of lottery money to refurbish the Village Hall. This combined with other monies from charities, donations, Daventry and the 100 Club means that at last we have the money to start work. Unfortunately the time it has taken to collect this money, over three years, has meant that the original quotes have lapsed so we need to submit for re-tendering. Martin Kelly and John Harris are actively working on this process on behalf of the village and when they have completed we will be in a position to give more information on timescales and disruption.

Finally, may I say a big thank you to Sue Dodds-Smith for her dogged determination in the pursuit of the lottery funding. Sue finally secured the money on the third attempt when the rest of us had all but given up.

Mike England
Secretary, VHMC

DAVENTRY AREA COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Community Minibus Scheme

The minibuses are all 17-seater vehicles which are available to any caring, voluntary, charitable groups throughout the Daventry district. We have groups of all ages and sizes, from Mums and Tots through to Senior Citizens' Groups. The minibuses can safely carry wheelchairs.

To hire a minibus, the group must be affiliated with DACT. Affiliation costs £15 the first year and £10 in subsequent years. Groups are encouraged to supply their own drivers, all of whom must first successfully undertake the MiDAS (Minibus Driver Awareness Scheme).

The cost of hiring a minibus is £16.50 plus petrol. An information pack giving full details of the scheme is available on application.

Please phone 01327 701665 if you are interested in using this service.

Volunteer Car Scheme

Are you elderly, disabled or otherwise unable to use the local bus service? If so, we may be able to solve your problems with transport to medical and other essential appointments.

DACT can call upon the services of volunteer drivers who will take you to your appointment and, if required, accompany you into the establishment and give you any help you need. They will wait up to two hours and return you home afterwards.

There is no charge for the drivers' services, or for any waiting time. You pay a contribution towards the petrol costs, currently 35p per mile for the return journey.

If you receive certain State Benefits you can normally reclaim your expenses. Please note that you are not entitled to use DACT *just because* you receive a benefit; if you are able to use public transport you are expected to do so.

DACT is not a taxi service and cannot take you to work or shopping. However, if an organisation such as Age Concern or Citizens Advice Bureau were to make a request on your behalf for a non-medical journey which they considered was essential, we would normally help.

To find out more about this service, or to book, please ring 01327 701666 at least two working days before your appointment.

NSPCC COLLECTIONS

Many thanks to everyone who donated so generously to the NSPCC collections over Christmas. A record £198.77 was collected at the carol service and a further £129.42 was raised by our intrepid carol singers who, despite the terrible weather, were still able to cover half of the village before rain forced them indoors. We are tremendously grateful to them.

The NSPCC depends heavily upon donations like these in order to continue funding vital services, such as the national 'Helpline' as well as local projects such as the Child and Parent Centre in Northampton and the Child Protection Team at Wellingborough.

Your contributions are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

DROP IN FACILITY

Community Beat Officer Babs Hyndman is available at the Brixworth Library for anyone seeking advice, making complaints or for any other subjects that you may wish to discuss with her.

Babs will be there every second and fourth Thursday in the month from 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm (It is possible that these times may be altered within the next few weeks to start at 3.00pm).

ALLOTMENTS

If anyone wishes to take over an allotment for this summer please contact me for details.

Alison Goodenough,
Scaldwell House (882136)
Clerk to the Charities

MILLENNIUM FOOTBALL MATCH

As part of the millennial celebrations it has been proposed that we hold a one-off football match between the 'Oldies' and the 'Younguns' of Scaldwell. The match will be held on the Recreation Ground at 10.30 am on Sunday

5th March. This should be an ideal opportunity for everybody in the village to get wet, muddy and cold together and that's just the spectators. Even if you have no interest in football the spectacle of a number of the village's senior and normally upstanding members being left floundering in the mud by a number of twelve year olds should be worth a visit in itself.

The format will be as follows. The 'Young-uns' will field a team of eleven to play the 90 minutes with as many subs as they wish. Subs can come back on after 30 minutes if required. The 'Oldies' on the other hand will field two teams of eleven plus subs. These two 'Oldies' teams will play fifteen minute segments. This means that you won't need to run for more than fifteen minutes at a time. To get this format to work though, we need lots of 'Oldies'. Further, both teams should have a minimum of two females playing at any one time.

This event will only run of course if we can get enough players so if you can hobble around for fifteen minutes and you know what shape a football ball is we want to hear from you. If you are over ten and under a hundred put your name forward by contacting any of the following:

Age 10 – 23 Craig Spraggon Tel: 881941
 Age 24 – 100 Mark Denton Tel: 882473
 Mike England Tel: 882334
 Or email: mike@theobh.freeseerve.co.uk

In addition to the players we need a number of other people to help so if you don't feel like running you can still play a part. If you think you could help with any of the following roles please contact Mike England.

Referee

Linesman

Refreshments (Hot tea/coffee)

Physio – Especially anybody who has a medical background whether playing or not but who can use the magic sponge.

Charity Collectors – Probably someone under ten who can walk around with a bucket.

Finally, even if you can't come you can help. If anybody has a pair of rugby or football boots tucked away in a cupboard which they wouldn't mind lending out we would like to hear from you. It doesn't even matter if they last saw the light of day in 1927, they would still be

preferable to trainers. Again contact Mike England if you can help.

Finally, we plan to have a bucket collection on the day for Leukaemia for Children but if anybody gets the urge to be sponsored please contact Mark Denton on 882473.

Looking forward to a good day out.
 Mike England.

Just a quick note to let people know that some papers were taken from my car and scattered around in the bus shelter. Entirely my own fault for leaving it unlocked and nothing important missing, but its probably worth locking-up if your car contains anything more valuable than mine!

Sarah Keeping

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

| February | |
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| 26 th | Kettering Operatic Society |
| 29 th | Charity Trustees Meeting |

| March | |
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| 5 th | Millennium Football Match |

**LAST DATE FOR
 APRIL/MAY
 NEWSLETTER:
 20TH MARCH 2000**