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ST PETER & ST PAUL CHURCH**GWEN ENGLAND****Services in the Benefice
December and January**

8 Dec	BREAD SERVICE 10.30 Holy Communion Scaldwell	
	Holy Communion Walgrave	10.30
8 Dec	Service of Praise 10.30 Scaldwell	
	Christingle Family Service Walgrave	10.30
8 Dec	Holy Communion Old	10.30
15 Dec	Holy Communion 10.30 Scaldwell	
	Holy Communion Old	9.30
22 Dec	Nine Lessons and Carols Walgrave	10.30
	Holy Communion Hannington	10.30
24 Dec	CHRISTMAS EVE Christmas Celebration 4.30pm Scaldwell	
	Midnight Mass Walgrave	11.30pm
25 Dec	CHRISTMAS DAY United Benefice Holy Communion Hannington	10.30
29 Dec	United Benefice Holy Communion Hannington	10.30
5 Jan	EPIPHANY Holy Communion Scaldwell	9.15
12 Jan	Service of Praise Scaldwell	10.30

19 Jan Holy Communion Old 10.30

26 Jan **Family Service** **10.30**
Scaldwell

There may be additional services. Please keep an eye on the Church notice board or phone Gwen England on 882334

PARISH COUNCIL**KATH FRANKLAND****Brixworth Travel Club**

We would like to remind villagers about this service. Apparently, according to the organisers, the Scaldwell uptake of the service has been virtually non-existent to date. The service connects outlying villages to Brixworth, running every Thursday. Pick up time on Scaldwell Green 1.35p.m., returning from Brixworth Library at 3.45p.m. These times may vary by up to 5 minutes. There is also a service to Daventry on the second Tuesday of each month (this is a morning service, returning from Daventry at 2.30p.m) The pick up on Scaldwell Green would be approximately 9.45a.m. Villagers wishing to use the Daventry service should let the organiser know by the previous Friday – Tel No. 01604 881012. This would be a good opportunity not to have to use the car at a busy time of the year! Details can be found on the notice board.

The Green

Now that the wet weather is with us, can we make a special plea to all drivers to be extra careful when driving and parking near or round the Green. Already one corner has been badly gouged. Could we also ask people with cars to park them in such a way that they do not impede the progress of the refuse lorries on Thursday mornings.

Old Road and Playing Field

The area with the old concrete container has now been cleared and cut down. The nettles on the slide mound have also been cleared. We hope that we can keep them under control next season.

Correction

Our parish clerk would prefer to be addressed as Mrs.J.Jones

As this is the last newsletter of the year, the Parish Council would like to wish everybody a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year!

SCALDWELL CLUB

CLAIRE WORTH

Pensioners Christmas Party

This years Pensioners Christmas Party will be held on **Monday 16th December** in the Village Hall

Christmas Starters

Christmas Starters will be held this year on **Sunday December 22nd** from **12 noon** onwards.

This is a great opportunity for all villagers, old and new, to get together and start the Christmas celebrations.

As in previous years, if you could bring along with you a plate of food (nibbles,sandwiches,sausage rolls etc.) it would be greatly appreciated.

New Years Eve

The Club will be open on New Years Eve and all villagers plus any family and friends will be very welcome.

Christmas Bar Opening Times

In addition to the usual Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday opening times, the Club will also be opening on the following days over the Christmas period:-

Tuesday 24th December, Evening

Wednesday 25th December, Lunch

Thursday 26th December Lunch and Evening

Tuesday 31st December, Evening

Wednesday 1st January, Lunch

KEEP FIT/BODY CONDITIONING

CHRISTINE HURST

Keep Fit is held every Monday evening in the Village Hall (apart from Bank Holidays) from 6.45pm until 7.45pm.

There will be no Keep Fit on December 16th, however, the classes will be held over the Festive Season i.e.the 23rd and 30th December, so come along and join us, and you can then have 2 portions of pudding!!

VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

BRIAN HURST

The Management Committee has once again decided to run the 100 Club. Entry forms have been delivered. Please support this important fund raising activity for the Village Hall.

MISCELLANEOUS

Scaldwell Parish Trust and Relief In Need Charities

The Bread Service will be held on Sunday 1st December. This service is held every year under the will of Thomas Roe and loaves of bread are distributed to those who attend. This service is still funded by the charity he founded so please come along and maintain this ancient village tradition.

Allotments

At the recent meeting of the Trustees it was decided that there should be a rise in the rents due for next year. The Charity allotments will go up from £3.00 to £5.00 each and there will be corresponding rises for the Church Allotments as well. These new amounts will be payable in December 2003 since the allotment rents are payable in arrears. Although this will be a large rise in percentage terms the Trustees hope that allotment holders will understand the need to charge a slightly more realistic figure. Please speak to Alison Goodenough if you would like to take an allotment for the coming year or if you wish to give up the one you currently hold.

Christmas Gifts

At their recent meeting, the Trustees of the Relief in Need Charity agreed to make their usual Christmas grants to pensioners and

those with disabilities living in the village. These gifts will be made automatically to those who have received them in past years unless you notify us that you no longer wish to receive them.

If, however, you have recently qualified for a Christmas gift (or if you know someone else who has) e.g. by achieving retirement age or if you now wish to be put on the Trustees' list, please mention this to me, Alison Goodenough at Scaldwell House or to any of the Trustees. We rely on word of mouth to make sure that all those who would qualify for and appreciate such a gift are included.

Alison Goodenough – Clerk to the Charities

Neighbourhood Watch – Brian Hensman

A pale blue Ford Orion, registration number **G158 XPG** has been seen in suspicious circumstances in Brixworth and Walgrave. The driver is believed to be a white, fair haired man of about 20 years of age, who has also been seen with a rucksack. If the vehicle is seen, please notify the police.

Crime Statistics Walgrave Beat, Scaldwell

1.4.2001 – 31.3.2002

Burglaries – dwellings 2; Burglaries – other 2; Thefts of vehicles 1; Total crimes 5.

1.4.2002 – 31.8.2002

Thefts from vehicles 1; Other thefts 1; Total crimes 2.

Securing your home

Garages and sheds:

Never leave a garage door unlocked, especially if it has a connecting door through to the house. This is the best place to store tools and bikes, as it is more substantial than a shed. Locks to 'up and over' doors can be reinforced with additional locks on the corners. Always lock you car when it is in the garage and secure motorbikes to ground anchor points. Fit any windows with locks or an internal grille

Sheds are not usually very robust and as such are quite vulnerable. This is therefore not the place to store anything of any value. 'White out' the window, or hang a net curtain, to prevent anyone from viewing the contents. Fit a good quality padlock to the door and use coach bolts when fitting the hinges. A shed alarm is also a good investment.

Recently available inexpensive security devices.

The Police have an offer of the following inexpensive security devices:

1. A shed alarm that can be attached to a shed, or if required, house internal door using a bracket. Battery operated £10.00 each
2. A personal attach alarm. Battery operated £5.00 each
3. Dusk to Dawn self activating light bulbs that plug into ordinary bayonet light fittings. Running cost approximately 1p. per night £5.00 each.

I have seen and heard the first two and consider them value for money. I believe the above prices include post and packing, but I am not absolutely sure. If anyone wishes to buy any of the above items please contact me on 880092 and I will forward your order.

Art Group

The informal art group is now meeting again after the summer break. Anyone is welcome to join. We meet on Wednesdays in the Village Hall 7.0pm to 9.0pm.

If you require any more details ring Sarah Kendrick on 881502 or just turn up any Wednesday.

A Big Thank You

To the Village Church. Thank you for my bible. Sorry I was not there to receive it as I was away for the weekend.

Thank you. **Ricky Monk**

Christmas Eve "Village Offering" 4.30p.m. Scaldwell Church

As usual I would be delighted if any children who would be willing to take part in the above "celebration" of Christmas could come to rehearsals in The Barn, East End, Scaldwell on the following 4 Fridays at 5.30p.m.

Friday 29th November, 6th December, 13th December, and 20th December.

There is NO age limit upper or lower.

Please remember this is a village offering from the village to the village and without your participation it cannot happen – it is not too late for any adult wishing to join the senior choir (Monday evenings 7.45 in the Barn) Looking forward to seeing you all. Margaret Vinton (880359)

Moving On

Over Christmas or the New Year we are moving to Old. We will all be sorry to leave Scaldwell but Post Cottage is proving too small for us all! We have thoroughly enjoyed living here and hope to keep in touch as we

are only a mile away. Christine has kindly agreed to take over the editorship of the Scaldwell Newsletter and looks forward to receiving your contributions. In the meantime may I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support and contributions over the past two years.

Sarah Hampden Smith

Toddler's Group

The Toddler's Group takes place each Friday from 10.00am – 12.00pm in the Village Hall. All babies and toddlers are most welcome – as are their parents, grandparents or carers too!

For further information please contact Diana 882143, Shelly 882669 or Gilly 881462.

Indoor Bowls – Bill Draper

Indoor Bowls are played every Thursday evening in the Village Hall. Come along and join in; whether you are a novice or a champion you will be very welcome.

Contributions

If you would like to provide contributions to the newsletter please do so, either by putting them through Christine's door or give her a ring on the telephone number at the top of the first page.

I DON'T BELIEVE IT!!!!

Christmas Trivia

31 Britains have died since 1966 by watering their Christmas trees whilst the fairy lights were plugged in. (Please do not try this at home!)

19 Britains have died in the last three years after believing that all Christmas decorations were chocolate!

British Hospitals reported 4 broken arms last year after cracker pulling incidents.

GOOD LUCK to Sarah, Paul and Ben. for their new life in Old, and a big thank you to Sarah for her sterling work as Editor of the Scaldwell Newsletter.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful New Year to you all and I look forward to receiving your future contributions for the newsletter
Christine Hurst.

Dates For Your Diary

December

16th	Pensioners Christmas Party
22nd ^h	Christmas Starters

January

1st	Make New Year Resolution!
2nd ^h	Break New Year Resolution!!

**LAST DATE FOR
FEBRUARY/MARCH NEWSLETTER
20TH JANUARY**

