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ST PETER & ST PAUL CHURCH

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JUNE/JULY '99 SERVICES

6 th June	Sung Eucharist	9.15 am
13 th June	Holy Communion	8.00 am
20 th June	Sung Eucharist	9.15 am
27 th June	Family Service	10.30 am
4 th July	Sung Eucharist	9.15 am
11 th July	Holy Communion	8.00 am
18 th July	Sung Eucharist	9.15 am
25 th July	Family Service	10.30 am

ART AND CRAFTS EXHIBITION

Our fourth biennial Art Exhibition and Sale is on Saturday and Sunday 19th and 20th June from 10.30 am to 5.00 pm in the church. As well as inviting well known artists to exhibit Maggie Angeloglou is again arranging for selected crafts to be shown for sale.

Many of you will know how worthwhile these exhibitions have been so please bring your friends and encourage newcomers to enjoy the event. There will be a preliminary Garden Supper at Home Farm House with many of the artists present at 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm on Friday 18th June.

Tickets £8, available from Gwen England, tel. 882334 or Joan Randell, tel. 881595.

PLANTS WANTED - 19th/20th June

In addition to the Art and Crafts Exhibition and Sale, there will be a PLANT SALE outside the church. We should be most grateful for any donations of plants. I can look after any offerings (both tender and hardy) should you wish to off-load them earlier.

Please let me know if you have any plants to donate and if you would like me to collect them.

Gwen England, The Old Bakehouse, tel.882334

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

This meeting was held in the church on 28th April. The Church Wardens, PCC Secretary, Treasurer, Sacristy and Synod Representative were all re-elected. Various reports were given such as the re-wiring of the church, which will be something to behold when the lighting pendants have been repainted and the brass cleaned. The Rector thanked everyone for caring about the church. The cleaners and flower arrangers were thanked by Chris Nash and Sue Dodds-Smith respectively.

PARISH COUNCIL

MAGGIE ANGELOGLOU

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Knights of Old The most important development is the disappearance of the Cherry Hill Depot of Knights of Old. For years we have been barracking for some alleviation from the heavy traffic. In fact it has reduced, and although we will have a new housing project at the site we are sure it will cause less problems for Scaldwell.

Congratulations to the demonstrators who appeared at the meeting at Knights of Old, although the move was already in the offing (unknown to DDC or to us) it showed our willingness to make an issue of problems affecting our village. Both our MP and members of the committee spent some time talking to the demonstrators and they continued to comment about it inside. It is remarkable that of the four or five villages involved only Scaldwell felt willing to demonstrate.

Planning Matters There were few this year, apart from the development of Oak Farm House and the request to move the lambing tunnel. In fact the agricultural advisor for Daventry came to look at the tunnel and agreed it was in the best place.

Crawshaw Robbins' site had an 'erection' of scaffolding which caused several complaints. DDC

Planning Office agreed it was intrusive and has asked the scaffolding company to reduce it in size and screen it with trees. While discussing screening, the new mound at Nene Valley waste site is caused by clay, which has been deliberately extracted so that the last infill can be made. It will be piled onto the new infill when it is ready. Nene Valley Waste has been reminded that trees should be planted on the site finally.

Traffic Calming This is rather in abeyance owing to the new plans for the Cherry Valley site - we have had the Northamptonshire County Council officer out to see the sites and discussed forms of 'gates'. His view is that the village gains from its many bends which slow traffic down. We would be aided financially if we wished to make gates, but do we really want to have them?

Budget We are very healthy financially, largely owing to Nick Patchesa who has mowed the green voluntarily (and kept the mower in repair) until last year when we decided that we could afford to have the grass mown professionally, avoid the upkeep of the mower and give Nick a well-earned rest. This summer we increased the programme of the cut from every three weeks to every two. The verges are mown four times per summer. Although this is a large part of our budget it only takes place in the growing months. However we have a large enough surplus to cause comment from the district auditor. We have used the excuse that we are saving to buy a new mower but this won't 'wear' any more.

Meanwhile, the village hall is desperate for some money to aid with repairs and alterations. I would like to suggest that the Parish Council makes a sizeable donation to this cause. The village hall is used by the whole village, it is a necessity not a luxury and several thousand pounds would be a great aid to the hall at a time when we are obliged to 'lose' some of our capital.

I would like at this stage to thank Stan Turner for his work in drawing up our financial reports and for presenting our accounts to the auditor.

Nuisances We keep plugging away at getting potholes filled. Unfortunately they are at their worst in the frosty season when they can't be repaired. There is too little money to have big road works done, currently filling in holes is the most we can hope for.

The nuisance about which most people complain, including myself, is the football-playing around the bus shelter which is a destructive and noisy problem. Those of us in earshot are disturbed all evening in summer by the steady banging of the ball on the bus shelter walls. Boys won't go to the playing field because they say it's muddy. I've made several attempts to get some scheme organised whereby professional help might be brought in from the council to give proper football training to the youngsters. I've asked again for help this summer. If it can't be organised from Daventry perhaps we could enlist the help of dads, or even pay for a summer coach?

I think I've covered everything that has happened in a very uneventful year. Our plans for next year may involve a millennium celebration and we hope to liaise with the club on an event on the village green. More of this later.

Finally, I am retiring as Chairman. I took the office unwillingly until the new council members were more at ease with the job. But I have enjoyed my years as Chairman because the work has been made easier owing to the help of other people. Sue Verallo is our marvellous District Councillor who has argued for us in Daventry, suggested ways of coping with problems and drawn our attention to grants and subsidies.

Stan Turner has worked hard as parish clerk for the past two years, using his knowledge of our local authority. Nick Patchesa as a past chairman has given me a great deal of help and advice. The council needs his level-headed opinion. Kath Frankland has been a very good vice-chairman who has come up with ideas and worked hard as a footpath warden as well.

I would like to thank my fellow parish councillors who turn up to meetings, seriously consider questions without wasting time, and who bring the complaints or information from the village to meetings.

And I must say, I'm agreeably pleased with Daventry District Council which has been difficult, arrogant and uncaring in the past, and now seems quite the opposite - anxious to help and eager to listen. I've had a pleasant tenure as Chairman. Thank you, Scaldwell.

VILLAGE HALL

MIKE ENGLAND

VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The AGMs of the Scaldwell Village Hall Management Committee and the Scaldwell Club will be held in the village hall on 9th June 1999 at the following times:

7.30 pm VHMC
8.00 pm Scaldwell Club

These meetings are open to the public and anyone is welcome to attend. The meetings will include the re-election of members, presentation of the accounts and an overview of key events and achievements. If you wish to put your name forward for either committee please contact:

VHMC - John Harris, tel. 880863
Scaldwell Club - Barry Sheldon, tel. 881910

Special Note for VHMC Members There will be a meeting of the Scaldwell Village Hall Management Committee prior to the AGM at 7.00 pm to discuss the application to the Lottery.

SPORTS CLUB

KATHY MORGAN

Here's hoping that the summer of '99 brings us some lovely tennis weather. If you would like to play please come along on a Wednesday evening or a Sunday morning for the club sessions. The Scaldwell team won the Men's Winter League last season.

If competitive tennis is not your 'thing' you might be interested in the Crazy Tennis day on Sunday 11th July at 2.00 pm. This should be a fun afternoon for adults and children alike. We are also holding a Casino Night on 18th September and the ever popular Whist Drive on 13th November.

Just a reminder that the subscriptions for 1999 are now due. If you have not received a form please give me a ring on 882214.

BOWLS CLUB

MIKE MONK

The season has now reached its climax. All our fixtures have been played and the results read played 9, won 4, lost 4, drawn 1. A great improvement on last year's results – can we do even better next season? – The club tournaments have been played to their conclusion – this year, the singles champion is Dave Farmer and the doubles champions are Eddie Deacon and – wait for it – Dave Farmer.

We do carry on playing regularly during the summer and it would be very nice to see some new faces on a Thursday evening. Why not come down and try a game (the bar is open as well!)

COUNTERPOINT

JANE MONK

3 rd June	Jazz Concert with Zoot Money
12 th June	Eddie Cockram and Rosemary Eady
18 th June	Spratton Hall School Summer Concert
17 th July	Cantabile Summer Entertainment

Please note the following changes have been made to the original list of forthcoming events:

Eddie Cockram and Rosemary Eady playing a selection of pieces from their new CD including

Schumann, Mendelssohn, Rachmaninov and Debussy will now be held on Saturday 12th June

Spratton Hall School's Summer Concert in aid of the Baroque Choir tour of Dorset will now be held on Friday 18th June

MISCELLANEOUS

BAPTISM

On Sunday 23rd May, Struan Murdoch Tait was baptised. We welcome Struan to our church.

DONALD THOM

Betty King let us know that Don Thom died on Wednesday 12th May from a heart attack. He and Constance Thom lived in the Old Bakehouse on the Green before the Englands and the Howards. He and Constance were PCC members of our church for many years and Don's skilled woodwork contributions remain in the church. After Connie died Don moved into St Christopher's Home, Abingdon Crescent.

THE SCALDWELL CHARITY

(Income to be applied primarily for the promotion of education in Scaldwell).

Grant applications might include:

- School uniforms, educational trips, extra-curricular costs, etc.
- Higher Education (including sixth form students), educational courses, books and equipment, general expenses, etc.

All applications are treated with the utmost confidentiality.

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 21st July 1999

Contact K M Frankland, The Old Fox, High Street, Scaldwell

VEGETABLES!

Allotments Available. With new people coming to the village all the time not everybody will know that Scaldwell is lucky enough to have an extensive area of allotments. If you have ever fancied having a go at running your own allotment now is the perfect time to try. Unlike most allotments which are sandwiched between a sewage works and a railway siding our allotments are next to the church overlooking the beautiful countryside towards Lampport.

As you will have deduced by now we have a few spare and you can be sure of a warm welcome

should you want to take one over. Like all village amenities if they are not supported sooner or later they will disappear. If the idea of taking over one of the more neglected ones does not fire you with enthusiasm why not just till a corner this year, covering the rest with black plastic for a weed-free organic planting surface next year. Failing that, why not share one with a friend. At less than £5 per year and with no commitment, you can't go wrong. If the idea of fresh healthy vegetables and gentle exercise overlooking some of the best countryside in England has whetted your appetite then go and take a look, pick an empty plot and phone Alison Goodenough on Scaldwell 882136. I look forward to seeing you there.

Mike England.

TOM KING HAS BEEN ON TOUR

Saab GB Ltd sponsored a touring exhibition featuring the recent works of well known Northamptonshire artist Tom King, who moved from Scaldwell to Norfolk three years ago. His travelling companion on the tour was equestrian artist, Michelle Perry, who lives in Warwickshire.

The tour covered 13 venues across the country commencing in Leeds on Friday 16th April and finishing in Stanstead on Sunday 2nd May. Other places visited were Derbyshire, Cumbria, Essex, Wales, Somerset and Scotland. The show included watercolours and oils by both artists and Tom's paintings covered a range of subjects from gardens to landscapes and still life. This proved highly successful for both artists and Saab have decided to sponsor a further touring exhibition based in London for the autumn of this year.

Some of Tom King's current work is on view at The Old Barn, Scaldwell (as well as a selection of cards, £1 each). Please contact Margaret Vinton if interested in viewing 880359.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Door-to-door Scaldwell collection raised £147.02. Thanks to collectors and 'givers'. Chris Nash

HELP THE AGED COLLECTION

West End, Scaldwell. Total collected was £8.68. Many thanks. Jacqui Partridge

GEES LAND IN DROP ZONE (SAFELY!)

1000; 2000, 3000, 4000 . . . YES; we've done it. On Friday 9th April Roberta and Thomas Gee finally flung themselves from a plane and successfully completed their long awaited parachute jump for Motor Neurone Disease and World Challenge. All in all we have raised around £1400 and all the money has now been collected. We would like to say a great big thank you to everyone in the village who so generously supported our causes.

'GREEN' WASTE RECYCLING

New brown wheelie-bins are being supplied to villagers for organic waste, such as vegetable peelings, grass cuttings, tea bags, ashes, weeds, etc. There will be an exhibition caravan visiting Scaldwell on 8th June with more information. It will be on the green from 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm.

The first 'green' waste collection will be on Thursday 1st July.

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING SPECIAL TO DO?

Why not consider becoming a Special Constable? They provide a vital link between the Regular Constabulary and the community. As a Special Constable your two major forms of duty are to provide assistance to the Regular Constabulary and perform duties at major public events where large numbers of Police Officers are required. Assisting the Regular Constabulary can mean involvement with many kinds of incidents ranging from patrol to public order. In your first year of service you will be given a high level of training to enable you to gain the skills and knowledge expected of a Special Constable. This is why we expect you to spend 200 hours of your time on duty during the first year. In your second and subsequent years the minimum requirement of hours is 100.

If you fit the following criteria. a British, Irish or Commonwealth Citizen aged between 18 and 50 in good health and able to give up at least four hours per week, then call Catherine Price on 703099 for an application form.

KELMARSH HALL ESTATE

Kelmarsh Hall has organised free, guided walks on the following dates:

Past, Present and Future of New Covert Wood

Monday 5th July at 7.00 pm
Monday 23rd August at 7.00 pm

Walks are 1.5 miles. Meet at the Kelmarsh Arms on the Brampton Valley Way.

Restoring an Historical Garden

Tuesday 1st June
Tuesday 6th July
Tuesday 3rd August

Walks take about an hour. Meet at 2.30 pm and 3.30 pm at the Stable Yard, Kelmarsh Hall.

For information contact Cynthia Wright, tel. 686543

**LAST DATE FOR
AUGUST/SEPTEMBER
NEWSLETTER:
20TH JULY 1999**