

Parish Council News

Chairman: Dudley Cross – 5 Church View, Wollaston, NN29 7SY
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The Parish Council last met on 12th January 2022 following monthly meetings throughout last year.

Since the last newsletter there have been a number of changes to the Parish Council. We are seeking a new clerk as Katrina Jones has moved-on to accept the challenging role of Clerk to Brixworth Parish Council. We will also be seeking two new Councillors after Sara Joyner and Dara Masterson-Jones stepped down from their roles. The Parish Council thanks Katrina, Sara and Dara for their contribution to the Parish Council and the village.

The role of the Parish Council is essentially to represent the community and in this respect, review and comment upon matter such as planning applications, crime and security, roads and highways and land in the public realm. The Parish Council undertakes schemes for the benefit of village residents and examples in Scaldwell would include the purchase of the phone kiosk and installation of a defibrillator, the replacement of street lighting with LED lights, the maintenance of trees, verges and village greens throughout the village and the installation of speeding signage which is currently in progress.

If anyone in the village would like to consider putting themselves forward for the role of Parish Councillor or Parish Clerk, please contact any of the current Councillors to obtain further details.

In respect of matters since the last newsletter, the appeal against the refusal of planning consent for a new industrial park on land to the rear of Mercedes at Brixworth was dismissed by the Planning Inspectorate at the end of December. The Parish Council and villagers Nick Masterson-Jones and Rob Kelleher presented at the Planning Inspectorate hearing and we would extend our thanks to Nick and Rob for their efforts in support of the dismissal.

Lots of work has been completed at the Playing Field including the repairing of the gates, the roundabout and cricket nets along with routine tidying up of the bark and garden areas. There remains however, much still to do and any willing volunteers are asked to approach Councillor Monk or any of the Friends group.

At the January meeting the Parish Council agreed the precept for 2022 which will reflect a 4% increase from 2021. Through diligent financial planning the Parish Council have managed to ensure that the precept has not been required to increase significantly. Full details of the budget and finances will be made available in the coming weeks.



SCALDWELL MENS BREAKFAST

Special Jubilee Breakfast



March 12th, 2022
9am at the Village
Hall

High quality produce is always used for our breakfasts – vegetarian and healthy options are available.

*For details please or call text Tom Joyner on 07771831375.
New villagers and all welcome!*

Our grateful thanks to:

Andy Payne for his work on keeping our Village Green tidy over the winter months. It is much appreciated.

Also, to Martin Howard for removing and disposing of the Christmas Tree from the Green.

And thanks to Stabilised Pavements and the Parish Council for the cheery Christmas tree and lights and, indeed, to everyone who contributed to the festive season with their decorations.

Scaldwell Club News

Just as we thought we were getting back to normal it all went haywire again and sadly Christmas Starters and New Year Eve celebrations were cancelled yet again. It was also decided to cancel the Curry Evening planned for January but hopefully we can now look forward to reinstating social events. We have planned:-

Bar open for the England/Scotland Game at 4.45pm	5 th February
Curry Evening	19 th February
Snail Race	19 th March

With our main fund-raising events having been cancelled the Club has and is suffering financial difficulties. Grateful thanks go to the Village Hall Committee for facilitating a rent holiday for the Club. Without their help the Club would have struggled to continue.

One contributing factor to our financial difficulties is that we have had to cut our opening hours because of a lack of volunteers to staff the bar. At the moment it falls to a few valiant people to keep the Club open, and any help would be gratefully received. **CAN YOU HELP – the more people on the rota the less arduous the task!!**

I think everyone would agree that the Club provides a wonderful facility for the village but in order to keep it financially sound, as well as volunteer staff - it needs customers. As they say, "use it or lose it". It would be lovely to see more villagers coming down to the Club and it is such a good place to catch up with friends and neighbours. The club is open Thursday and Friday from 7.30pm. There is a Ladies' Night on the first Thursday of each month from 7.30pm so do think about joining us, especially if you are new to the Village. You will have a warm welcome.

IT'S TIME TO GIVE BACK.

SCALDWELL VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE NEED YOU!

Join our team today
and become a volunteer!

**WE APPRECIATE EVERY
HELPING HAND WE CAN GET!**

WE ARE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO JOIN THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE. WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR A VOLUNTEER TO HELP MANAGE HALL BOOKINGS AND GENERAL ENQUIRIES REGARDING HALL HIRE AND EVENTS.

THE COMMITTEE MEET QUARTERLY AND DISCUSS THE RUNNING AND OPERATIONS OF THE VILLAGE HALL AND HOW WE CAN PROMOTE IT AS A COMMUNITY RESOURCE TO BENEFIT EVERYONE.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED PLEASE EMAIL [KELLYTBOOTH@GMAIL.COM](mailto:kellytbooth@gmail.com) OR POP TO PLUMB COTTAGE FOR A CHAT.

Scaldwell Educational Charity. In these difficult times when parents may have additional costs regarding home education please remember the above charity may be able to help not only with this aspect of education but also general educational needs. It is open to all ages. All applications to Paul Carter, The Hollies, High Street.

The Scaldwell Relieve in Need Charity is also available to offer financial help to individual parishioners and **Scaldwell Parish Trust** income is available to fund projects for the benefit of the village. Applications to Sue Dodds-Smith, The Old Barn, High Street or d.dodds@me.com

The Foundation of Thomas Roe provides small cash educational grants for young people (under 25) who live in the parishes of Brixworth or Scaldwell. Applications to Clerk to the Trustees of the Foundation of Thomas Roe, Horton House, Silver Street, Brixworth, Northamptonshire, NN6 9BY or thomasroefoundation@gmail.com

Many of you will have seen the new Church Notice Board that has recently been erected. Thanks for this must go to Allan Nash who left a bequest to the Church. Allan lived in Cobblers Cottage, East End and was a stalwart of the Church and was particularly generous with his time in regard to general maintenance work and to the life of the Church in general. He is a much missed by friends and members of the congregation.



Jubilee Weekend!

We have a four-day weekend coming at the start of June to celebrate the Queen's 70 year reign. So, we in Scaldwell need to decide what we should do as a village! Maybe light a beacon? Big party in the evening? Sports Day? Pimms Party? Sports evening while drinking Pimms and lighting a beacon? What ideas do you have?

If you'd like to get involved - either by planning and deciding on what to do or by helping out at the events in June - please do come along to the Club meeting on Tuesday 1st February at 7:30. All villagers and all ideas welcome. See you there!

Nick Masterson-Jones



FRIENDS OF SCALDWELL PLAYING FIELD

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HELPED ON THE AUTUMN TIDY DATE

Although it was a poor day weatherwise, we managed to clean and tidy most of the equipment and Michael Blakemore did a great job of taming and cutting the willow.

All after the very long lockdown.

Everyone worked very hard .

A massive THANK YOU to Geoff Bussy taking out the old gate and reinstating the new one which he procured for us .

A big Thank you too, to ' Scaldwell Parish Trust' and ' Scaldwell Relief in Need' for their generous donation towards the new gate.

A big Thank you also, to Michael and Penny Caswell who helped clear and weed the little garden at the bottom of the park and also happily trimmed the laurel bushes at the entrances to the park.

Things are looking good ; and to keep our park at its best, another **TIDY DAY** is proposed for **Sunday 20th of MARCH at 10 am .**

Quenching Your Thirst

By David Bent, Rector of The Walgrave Benefice

Helen and I have visited Israel once, it was November and the temperature during the day was 35 degrees. To our dismay, the roof-top swimming pool at the hotel was closed '*because it is winter!*' Wintertime or not, at 35 degrees we still needed an abundant supply of bottled water as we explored the wonderful sites in Israel, ancient and modern. It was in this climate that Jesus spoke the words,

"Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink."

Needless to say Jesus here was not offering parched travellers a drink of bottled water or even a cold beer, but was using people's physical thirst to teach a spiritual truth, a truth that we all have a thirst that can only be quenched when we come to Jesus to drink of the life-giving Holy Spirit.

On the surface we might thirst after many different things today, some might be essential to life, some less so, and some indeed might be harmful to life. We may try to quench this thirst in many different ways, but find the thirst is never fully satisfied.

I wonder if, behind whatever it is we thirst for, there isn't a deeper thirst, a thirst for love and for significance. Deep down I think we all want to know that we are loved and that we are valued.

This is the thirst that is quenched when we come to Jesus to receive his life-giving Holy Spirit, the Spirit of God who tells us that we are loved by God unconditionally, and valued by him as priceless, accepted just for who we are and not for what we do or for what we accumulate.

When God's Holy Spirit meets these deeper needs, we will find that our other needs are met as well. The Spirit we receive, to miss-quote a phrase from an old Heineken advert, is 'The Spirit who refreshes the parts that other spirits cannot reach'.



Scaldwell Lovely Ladies

Not to be outdone by the men of the village who enjoy a breakfast club, the ladies of the village are planning their first Afternoon Tea in the Village Hall. This is thanks to Claire Lovitt who has organised the Scaldwell Lovely Ladies Group. If you would like to join, then please contact Claire on 07956772519. The date and time still to be arranged but already quite a few people have said they can't wait!!

100 Club Results

Week 1

1st Adele Taylor
2nd Barry Johnson
3rd Michael Casswell

Week 2

1st Roger Morgan
2nd Pam Long
3rd Sally Thorne

Week 3

1st Martin Ireland
2nd Michael Casswell
3rd Paul Anstice



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Dear Sue and All the Residents of Scaldwell,

Thank You so much from Hope for your support.

Thank you so much for supporting the Hope Centre and for choosing it as your charity to support this Christmas, it is so kind of you and will help people in such need, thank you so much.

The Northampton Hope Centre has, for over 45 years, been supporting the Northampton community. In that time we have moved from being a soup kitchen to a Day Centre, a training provider and a charity supporting many who are living in poverty throughout our community.

It is now however, more than ever before, that our services are in need and the charity which stands to support the Northampton community has done everything within its power to change how it is delivering its service and the scale of delivery in order to meet the increasing demand of those who are hungry and homeless in our community.

The foodclub has seen a huge increase in demand since the pandemic. There is also our support hub in Oasis House for our "Hand Up" service, where we are not only seeing those coming for crisis support (food, clothing & showers) but also those who have booked to see one of our team, who are on hand daily to offer advice and support.

We have also set up our Learning4Living programme - work-based placement and Life Skills Programme.

We cannot continue any of our services however, without support and I would like to thank you so much for your kind donation, it really is so appreciated.

Thank you so much from everyone at Hope.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
Thank you

Eliza Bennett
Community Fundraiser

The collection raised £400 and the Charity was chosen by Eugene O'Leary. Many thanks to all who contributed. Sorry the printing is so small – trying to fit everything in!



As we come to the start of February our thoughts can perhaps turn towards Spring and once again dusting off the tennis rackets and getting out into the fresh air.

Many of you will know that one of the courts was resurfaced in 2020/21 and this has been much appreciated by members of the Club.

The committee is pleased to announce that we have scheduled work to resurface the second court for March/April time. When this work is complete the Club will have a first-class facility to offer villagers and indeed friends and neighbours from surrounding villages.

2021/22 membership starts from the 1st May so do consider joining if you are not already a member. Details of how to join will be in the April/May Newsletter and reminders will be circulated to existing members.

Church Services in Walgrave Benefice - February and March 2022

Sunday February 6th

9.30 Family Communion at Walgrave
11.00 Family Communion at Scaldwell

Wednesday February 16th

9.30 Reflective Service at Scaldwell

Wednesday February 23rd

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Sunday March 6th

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11.00 Family Communion at Scaldwell

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Sunday February 13th

9.30 Family Service at Walgrave
11.00 Holy Communion at Hannington
16.00 Evening Worship at Old

Sunday February 20th

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