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APRIL/MAY SERVICES

Please refer to the back page of the Parish Magazine for times. The church notice board has a guide.

CHURCH AGM

The AGM will be held in the church on **31st March.**

Holy Communion - 7.00 pm
Meeting - 7.30 pm

VILLAGE DIRECTORY CHANGES

Scaldwell Sports Club

Chairmen: Sarah Jenkinson
and Cathy Morgan

Secretary: Dominic Tantram

Treasurer: Paul Hampden-Smith

PARISH COUNCIL

MAGGIE ANGELOGLOU

There's very little to report from recent Parish Council meetings.

We have, unfortunately, lost our grass cutter for verges who has given up this work. We were told when the first cut was almost due and as it may take time to find another firm, accept estimates and so on, we must apologise if the verges look in need of a shave - we would be grateful for any news about a

fairly local grass cutting company with its own mower. Lamport will also need help, as well as our own church yard so it could be a worthwhile contract. Please contact our Parish Clerk, Stan Turner, on 01536 722500. Fortunately Nick Patchesa will continue to cut the green and playing field voluntarily.

POLICE VISITS

The police had to be called to the village on a weekday evening when the people living near the green were again troubled by late night (after 10.30 pm) hooligans beating up the bus shelter, playing football on the road and general rowdiness.

More alarmingly these boys, who live in the village, have also been lighting fires inside the shelter and have burnt the notices. We feel the parents cannot realise what is going on. **IS YOUR SCHOOL-AGED SON OUT AFTER 10.00 PM? DO YOU KNOW WHERE HE IS AT NIGHT?** Younger children are also reportedly frightened to play on the green because of the threats and language of the young thugs. The police will be making surprise circuits of the village in the evenings.

FOOTPATHS

In the summer we have become accustomed to ramblers visiting the village to walk along the footpaths, bridlepaths and rights-of-way. These traditional paths usually mark the old routes from one village to another, and they are legally protected. If you find any footpath impassable or blocked please contact the Village Footpath Warden, Kath Frankland on 880082.

Elections for the District Council (Daventry) will be held in the village hall on Thursday 7th May.

SPORTS CLUB

CATHY MORGAN 882214

SARAH JENKINSON 882568

The new tennis season is fast approaching and the committee have already been busy arranging events for the coming year.

Membership subscriptions are due by **1st May**. Existing members will receive an application form with their Sports Club Newsletter shortly and any new members can obtain an application form from either of us.

EAST NORTHANTS LEAGUE

The enthusiasm and success of last year's entry into the league has encouraged us to enter three teams this spring, two men's and one mixed. We hope this will give equal opportunity to all those who are keen to play. Participation in the league requires us to join the Lawn Tennis Association. One of the many benefits this brings is a small allocation of Wimbledon tickets.

EVENTS

Club nights will continue to be Wednesday, with the addition of a Sunday morning session. This should provide ample opportunity for members to improve their game and socialise with other members. Ten sessions of coaching will be available to encourage junior members to learn and improve.

MURDER MYSTERY

Back by popular demand! An evening of murder mystery will be held in the village hall on Saturday 6th June. Tickets will be available from committee members nearer the time. This entertaining event is open to all.

SCALDWELL CLUB

B. SHELDON

Forthcoming events:-

A quiz night has been organised for 18th April. Everybody is welcome to enter a team.

Although a long way in advance, the Kettering Operatic Society have been booked for Saturday 26th September.

Please keep these dates free in your diaries.

SCALDWELL CLUB AGM

The Annual General Meeting has been arranged for 8.00 pm on 19th May. There will be vacancies for officers and members. Anybody who is interested should contact a committee member to register their willingness to stand.

VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB

B. SHELDON

The fifteenth and final draw takes place on 27th March.

Winners for draws six to fourteen are:

Draw 6

1st J. Reeves
2nd A. Telling
3rd R. Davidson

Draw 7

1st B. Kelly
2nd J. Eldred
3rd J. B. Johnson

Draw 8

1st A. Telling
2nd N. Hudson
3rd D. Watts

Draw 9

1st E. Deacon
2nd J. Harris
3rd B. Draper

Draw 10

1st L. A. Goodenough
2nd J. Randall
3rd M. F. Broderick

Draw 11

1st Mr. and Mrs. Allcock
2nd J. Williams
3rd P. Leonard

Draw 12

1st A. Tait
2nd C. Nash
3rd G. England

Draw 13

1st A. Coward
2nd R. Morgan
3rd A. Tait

Draw 14

- 1st R. Kendrick
- 2nd M. Darby
- 3rd E. O'Leary

Many thanks to all those who supported the 1998 draw.

YOUTH CLUB

LYN GUNNETT

The Youth Club will close for the summer on 31st March but is hoping to organise a couple of outings for the children during the school holidays. A poster with information relating to these outings will be put up at the bus shelter nearer the time. The club will re-open in September.

MISCELLANEOUS

This column will appear in the Newsletter in future and will be for all village announcements and local points of interest. Please feel free to contact us with any contributions.

Many congratulations to Debbie Markham and Eric Tebbit of School Lane, who finally tied the knot on 31st December 1997 in Northampton. Hooray!!

Congratulations to Heather and Martin Conoboy of School Lane on the birth of David Joseph, brother for Sean. David was born on 26th January.

Welcome to the village Walter and Joannah Domhof who have recently moved into Magnolia House. We look forward to seeing them at the next function in the village hall.

BRIXWORTH COUNTRY PARK

The park is going through large changes to break down the physical and perceptual barriers that at the moment may prevent people from visiting the beautiful Northamptonshire countryside. After consulting with local people about what they would like, work in the park started late last summer and should be completed in early 1998. There will be a new visitor centre, café, cycle hire centre, training accommodation and

residential centre. After this, landscaping of the 37 acres that the County Council own and manage will take place. They are hoping that local people will play an important role in this next stage.

Play Trail

They are looking for children (or adults) to design a piece of play equipment that will form part of a play trail running throughout the park. It could be in the form of an animal, for example, or represent a culture.

Sculpture Trail

People have said that they would like to see sculptures in the park. These could be big or small and form part of the play trail, part of a sculpture trail or they could be statues that stand out in their own right.

Shelters and Benches

They would also like benches for people to sit on or to have picnics but they don't want any of the flat-packed kits and would like some original ideas. Shelters are also important so why not have a go at designing one.

Tree Planting

The park can arrange tree-planting sessions for groups of six or more people. All groups are welcome to go and plant part of the new Millennium Woodland. Bookings for tree planting are available from 1st November 1998 to 1st March 1999.

If you would like to get involved in any of these projects or if there is something that is not listed that you would like to get involved in please give the rangers, Mike, Gill and Jo a ring at Brixworth Country Park on 882322.

MONDAY 13TH APRIL - EASTER MADNESS

On Easter Monday there will be egg-painting, quizzes, Easter Bunny egg hunt, sack race, etc. The fun starts at 12 noon and lasts until 4.00 pm. Suitable for all the family.

Contact Brixworth Country Park on 882322

THE PRINCE'S YOUTH BUSINESS TRUST

The Prince's Youth Business Trust is a registered charity set up some 11 years ago by HRH The Prince of Wales to help unemployed young people start up their own businesses by providing financial assistance, business advice and marketing opportunities. The trust

operates from the Northants Chamber of Commerce, Training and Enterprise at Moulton Park.

The trust will give loans up to £5000 on easy repayment terms over three years to help people get started, with the possibility of an expansion loan to successful businesses, to people aged between 18 and 30 who have been unemployed for at least six weeks and who are unable to borrow the money from anywhere else. The target groups are the disabled, members of the ethnic communities and offenders and ex-offenders but any young people with energy and enthusiasm who are prepared to work hard and take advice to enable them to earn sufficient money to support themselves and their families may apply.

The trust has a local firm of solicitors who will give an hour's free legal advice, and three chartered surveyors who give initial inspections of potential properties free of charge.

Brian Mutlow, Area Manager for Northamptonshire is willing to talk to any interested groups. For further information he, or Val Grace, can be contacted on 671200.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

March	
31 st	Church AGM 7.30 pm
31 st	Last Youth Club Meeting

April	
5 th	Village Spring Clean
13 th	Easter Madness, Brixworth Park
18 th	Scaldwell Club Quiz Night

May	
1 st	Sports Club Membership Subs due
7 th	Daventry District Council Elections
19 th	Scaldwell Club AGM 8.00 pm

June	
6 th	Murder Mystery Evening

**LAST DATE FOR JUNE/
JULY NEWSLETTER:
15TH MAY 1998**

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CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THIS NEWSLETTER
AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE AS EDITOR'S AND
SUB-EDITOR'S BABIES ARE BOTH DUE AT
THIS TIME!**