

The Scarlian

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On a lovely day in early February the phase 3 work on St Helena's was Dedicated. A happy culmination of much hard work.

There is much

more information about this on the village website or for more pictures you can to the other website listed below.

www.southscarlecommunitycentre.com <https://www.flickr.com/photos/southwellandnottingham>

Pop-in-Pancakes

Dear all

Thank you all for your support and hard work today. A total of £165.84 profit was raised

Well done everyone

Love Florence

Village Ventures

We have enjoyed two Village Venture shows in the village so far this year. Village Ventures helps villages and other rural communities to get professional touring theatre into small venues. The

shows are heavily subsidised with support from District and County councils, as well as the Lottery and Arts Council England.

In February we enjoyed "The Importance of being Earnest". The play was true to the original script, brought into the 21st Century with inspiration from traditional South African "protest theatre" by the company Two Gents Productions. The entire show was performed by two talented actors who kept up the energy and wit of Oscar Wilde's trivial comedy for serious people, though the pace meant we had to concentrate hard to keep up with all the characters!

At the recent show, "It is now", the whole audience, were guests at a wedding taking place on the same day as the 1966 Football World Cup. The bride and football-mad groom had issues from the beginning, and as the play (and the match!!) unfolded, so did the best man and the bridesmaid!! A funny, entertaining and thought-provoking evening was had by all, and especial thanks to all who dressed up in their best 1966 fashions!

Our next event at 7.30pm on Friday 31 May is "The Beginnings of Fairport Convention". A words-and-music entertainment from the trailblazing folk-rock band's founder member Ashley Hutchings with vocalist Becky Mills. An evening of memories of the late sixties music scene, along with the great songs that Fairport Convention played.

Tickets are 10.00, and are selling well already, so please contact Anita at South Scarle Post Office, Church farm, Main Street, 01636 892003, to reserve.

A Scarlian name in the news:

Rachel Clements, the daughter of Stephen and Anita at Church Farm, and granddaughter of Betty & Philip Clements at Beeches Farm, has recently qualified as a solicitor, and was admitted to the SRA (Solicitors Regulation Authority) on 1 March 2019. Rachel studied for her Law degree at the University of Greenwich, followed by her post-graduate LPC (Law Practice) at the University of Sheffield. Rachel then gained a two-year training contract with a solicitors practice in Shropshire. Rachel has recently joined Donovan Newton Solicitors, specialists in Mental Health and Mental Capacity Law.

St Dafydd's Pub Night

When Roger Clay asked for volunteers to run the bar on pub night, I noticed the March date fell on March 1st. This is, of course, St. David's Day & being a proud Welshman I roped Adrian Lawton (another proud Welshman) to volunteer with me. Adrian was in charge of music & decorations; I provided the bottles of Glamorgan pale ale and our respective partners provided Welsh cakes and daffodils for the tables. We were amazed how many villagers turned up & at one point I counted forty people. Recent newcomers to the village Richard and Lisa & Paul and Anita turned up and were introduced and made most welcome. All in all, a super night which concluded at 11.45 pm! **Peter Rowlands**



Quiz Night!

Thanks to all who supported our Quiz Night on 15th March 2019. It was a sell-out and raised an

amazing £398 towards replenishing the Church Fabric Fund (which is somewhat depleted after the recent spend on improvement works). The raffle raised £116 for the Bell Guild's Bell Fund, as they had also supported the Tower works with a very generous £1100 grant. Bar profits went to the SSCC

Florence and Judy cooked an excellent cottage pie supper and we must thank our generous local suppliers: Field Farm at North Scarle donated all the beef. Please do check out their web-site. Their cattle and lambs are 100% pasture-fed, and this is reflected in the quality of the beef. The spuds and carrots were also grown locally here in South Scarle by Roy Wood. Not many food miles at all!

Our Quiz Master was Mr Pete Severn who did a splendid job, as always. The winners were John Lecutier's Team from Collingham. We hope you all enjoyed it as much as we did



. **Launch of the Befriending Service for Collingham Medical Centre patients**

Following a joint feasibility study with our Patient Participation Group (PPG), we are delighted to confirm that Newark Live at Home scheme will be extending their befriending service to create a service exclusively supporting patients registered with Collingham Medical Centre (CMC). If you feel a member of your family will benefit from a volunteer befriender visiting them at home on a regular basis offering companionship let us know. Either call the Collingham Medical Centre who can make a referral or contact Newark at Home (NLAH) directly on 01636 674521 or email: newark.liveathome@mha.org.uk

What the Befriending Service needs—there is an established network of befriending volunteers, but we will need more local people for this local service. All volunteers are DBS checked, trained and supported via the NLAH established governance processes. Can you spare an hour per week?

Funding—to set up a self-funding model needs some infrastructure funding to cover costs for training, advertising, administrative and volunteer expenses. The Collingham PPG are working with CMC & NLAH to apply for grants and donations for the first 3 years after which NLAH have committed to adopting the services.

The service started on 1 April 2019 with the valuable support of £1,000 from the Partners at CMC and £500 from the Fleet Magazine Committee. The first 3 social prescribing referrals to the service for support have been made—we estimate a demand of 1 new referral per week.

Foodbank - SOUTH SCARLE VILLAGE AND ST HELENA'S CHURCH

We are writing to thank you for the generous donations we received from you in **FEBRUARY 2019**. These weighed in at a total of **16.5 kgs**.

We are very grateful for these gifts as we are very busy at the Foodbank this year.

kind regards Jenni Harding **NEWARK FOODBANK**

South Scarle Nature Project News

Snakes head Fritillary



Aconites



In



the meadow

Cowslips are walking from one little original patch right across the meadow like tiny primrose soldiers, and in time, we hope our meadow will be transformed into a cowslip haven for the early part of the year.

A weirdly warm and dry February followed by frosts will no doubt affect insects and consequently the rest of the food chain so reliable early pollinating plants are even more important.

Some trees have been slow to establish. Probably because we cannot give them too much special attention like removing turf and mulching round them because this would compromise the wild meadow plants which will always take priority.

You may have noticed the exotic Snakes Head Fritillaries, which have been spreading all-round the wood edges. Primroses and wild daffodils are also beginning to establish but will take time. Snowdrops and lesser celandines have been and gone and now in the second week of April, the gorgeous bluebells are appearing in the wood and around about.

On the bank, thrift is flowering, and the starry white Stitchwort plant is popping out. I am disappointed to see that the large clump of Greater Stitchwort that used to appear on Plot Lane has not been seen for a couple of years. Hmm?

Water Avens is already beginning to flower on the pond side along with red champions and Silverweed is darting round the bottom of the bank. There are a few little baby toads hiding in the leaves and logs, and a few large mounds of frog spawn floating at the pond edge. Two moorhens have been grazing across the paddock. They look as though they may be nesting on the edge of the pond and dyke, so please continue to keep dogs off the water. Talking of water, there is a distinct lack of it in our created paddock pond and even our scrape is now a dry bowl! On a positive note, the bird feeders have attracted a range of birds and we have noticed a larger number of yellowhammers this year.

Around the Village

We planted bulbs last Autumn. The Aconites appear to have done well and popped up in the various sites. Wild daffodils too. Bluebells were only suitable for certain places, but the snowdrops were disappointing. We will be talking to Pearsons about that. We have established a couple of sites around the village that we thought might be interesting as a project to naturalise with wild meadow seed, suitable wild plug plants and bulbs. We have signposted the areas.

Finally, we all need to remember how desperate our environment is struggling especially regarding decreasing numbers of vital insects not helped by the constant march of concrete, agricultural practices and the national obsession with tidiness. If we could all give over a tiny bit of garden or space to log pile, leaves, or a bit of long grass then we will be helping all manner of wildlife.

Finally, if you are on Facebook, you can follow us on South Scarle Nature Project.

. From the Chairman..... David Clarke

Retrospective Planning Pitfalls and Correct Procedure

It has been brought to my attention by Councillor Dobson, who sits on the Planning Committee,

that there are more and more cases of retrospective planning applications happening, some of which are contentious and ultimately find their way to the planning committee, not all with a successful outcome. I thought it prudent to outline some of the pitfalls associated with retrospective planning applications.

We have had a few in our village and I am in no way singling out these applications as many people find themselves having to apply for retrospective planning permission through misinformation or lack of knowledge of local planning law, often poor advice from a builder can also bring this to a head, as can be reported by a third party.

One other good reason for applying for planning if it is required is to ensure you have the right paperwork should you decide to sell your property in the future. Without the correct proof of planning permission can often delay or scupper your sale.

If you find yourself having to apply for retrospective planning permission you have absolutely no guarantee that you will be successful, if you are not you stand a very good chance of having to remove whatever you have constructed or even be served with a notice to demolish the structure you have built. One wonders why some people go ahead and build without seeking any permission whatsoever. A gamble that could prove very costly.

So, what can you do to protect yourself, simple.....? Speak to the local authorities planning department, in our case NSDC and ask for, or download a pre planning advise form. This is a simple form outlining your proposal. By submitting this you will ensure you are on the right side of the planners and you will know if your proposal falls under permitted development or you need to officially apply for planning permission.

One simple rule..... If in doubt speak to the planning department first before starting any work. If you need any help, feel free to ask me. David

David Duffield our parish Clerk has asked that you be reminded that he will NOT be seeking re-election this year, therefore we will be seeking a new Parish Clerk, so if you think this is for you please let me have your details.

E mail david.southscarle@btinternet.com

This is a plea for both consideration and taking a pride in the village in which we live.

It has been brought to my attention that there are a few residents who are having their hard work ruined by a thoughtless few and I refer to people who insist on driving over peoples grass verges when they can't be bothered to let oncoming vehicles through.

Whilst it may seem, to some, a trivial matter to put ruts in a grass verge there are people in this village who take pride in their gardens and maintain their grass verges as part of their garden and not only have I had reports of ruts and chewed up grass but also damaged edgings and stones placed along the verges to highlight a boundary.

I realise of course there are numerous delivery vehicles in our village daily and these may also be to blame, however cars have been seen driving on people's verges, so the blame can't be put entirely on delivery vehicles.

Can I please appeal to people in our village who drive cars, vans and 4 x 4's to be a little more patient when going out or coming in the village. We are a small community and there has been, of late, an increasing number of vehicles driving at excessive speeds in our village, although I realise it is not just village residents, however, some are guilty.

I do believe there are 2 parts to this, not only a lack of thought but also excessive speed, this coupled with a lack of consideration results in drivers mounting grass verges in order to pass each other.

So, my message is simple: When driving through the village, especially along Main St: where there are many parked cars, just back the speed off, take it steady and please be considerate and don't drive over grass verges that people take time to tend. If you see delivery vehicles being guilty of this take their company name and let me have it, I will then speak to their head office.

And finally, I'm sure many of you already know but for those who do not the section of road from the A1 Brownhills island into Newark town centre is now 30mph and there are plans to have camera vans. You have been warned!!

Bell ringing in South Scarle

The science of change ringing was invented about 1610, prior to this date bells were rung singular, or in times of celebration all the bells were rung together to produce as much noise as possible, as on the continent to day. Interesting to note that the ringing of bells was considered as a secular sport and actually banned on Sundays except for the tolling of 1 bell before the sermon. At the time South Scarle only had 2 bells but in 1642 two new bells were cast this enabled the ringers at St Helena's to practice in the new art.

However, England in 1642 was a much-divided nation, families and communities were split, protestants against Catholics, king against parliament, (very similar to what we have today with Brexit), 1642 saw the start of the English civil war, Roundheads against the Cavaliers accumulation in Oliver Cromwell's military dictatorship. This was to last 18 years and in that time the work of the bell foundries nearly stopped.

1668 was another mile stone in the history of bell ringing at South Scarle. 8 years after the civil war finished another bell was cast giving the village 5 bells. Also, this year saw the publication Tintinnalogia written by Richard Duckworth. This was the first book ever written on change ringing and enabled the whole country to understand the principals of the art. Methods like Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles as rung to day was explained to all.

To find out more about this fascinating hobby come down to the church on a Thursday evening at 7.30pm or contact me on 893392.

Richard Sutton

John Aslin Memorial Cycle Ride

On Saturday March 2nd, Collingham Velo Club organised the 2nd annual John Aslin Memorial Ride.

It was a ride of around 60 miles, starting at our church and ending at Willow Farm, where well deserved food and drink was laid on. The ride took them out to the Tom Simpson Memorial and Museum at Harworth.

Tom tragically collapsed and died during the ascent of Mont Ventoux in the 1967 Tour de France and a memorial race has been held annually since then. My husband, John, was the very first winner in 1968, riding as a professional in the Sun Hurel-Truwel team.

It brought back memories to see Stephen Baldwin sporting a Falcon top. John rode for Falcon in 1969 and 1970, and Falcon-Tighe in 1971.

A total of £290 was raised by the event for Beaumont House Hospice.

A huge thank you to Collingham Velo Club for putting on this event, from Viki, Jen and Liz.



South Scarle Book Club is looking for two new members - are you interested?

We meet on the first Monday of the month at 7.30pm and we keep it informal. We generally finish at about 9pm. We take it in turns to choose the book and host the meeting at which we review it.

When hosting, you provide the wine and just put out a few dishes of crisps (nothing fancy allowed - no catering!). We do ask that you commit to read each book otherwise there is not so much of a discussion, and we promise that the discussion is never a 'highbrow' affair!

If you are interested have a chat with one of us, or just come along to the next one and see what you think. Give me a ring on 892007.

Current members are Jo, Carol, Tina, Linda, Ann, Jane C and John B. (And John would love another fella to join us!!)



Golden Day

A very full Church heralded the celebration of Colin and Judy's special day. The service was much admired, and the singing was lovely. The wine was enjoyed, and the coffee morning following was up to its usual standard.

The festivities continued in the evening with a party for family and close friends.

New and Younger Scarlians!

Please get in touch with me and have your say. I know most of us are, shall we say, mature but you matter too, so let me know how you think the village can include you if you want to be more involved. Mo

South Scarle Communicates! How we communicate:

The Scarlian. PLEASE contact the Scarlian so your voice can be heard, Email motylar@live.co.uk or scarlian@outlook.com Dave collates all your input so please head items "Scarlian" and please do not use his personal email. Dave also manages all the email updates

Regular Email Updates. At the Scarlian we have an extensive email contact list. All contacts made to you from us are "blind carbon copies" so your email address is not shown. If you sign up, you can submit any urgent information you want the village to receive and you will receive regular reminders of village events and other items pertaining to village life. Please sign up! Use the Scarlian contact information above.

Parish Matters. David Duffield our Clerk to the Parish meeting also has an extensive email contacts list. One or two of you may not be on both and if you wish to remedy this you can contact David on drdparishclerk-sscarle@outlook.com David will keep you informed of Parish Meetings and all matters pertaining to local government – Planning Permissions etc. It is a good idea to be on both mailing lists. When David's successor is announced I am sure arrangements will be made so his list can be transferred.

Go to www.southscarlecommunitycentre.com . This is our village website and is well worth a regular look for updates etc.

Next Scarlian Deadline – 28th September 2019
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Dates for your Diary

27th April Beer and Gin Festival

For one month only Coffee morning and LAP will on the first Saturday in May – **4th May**
Don't forget that as a rule Coffee Mornings and the LAP happen on the second Saturday of the month between 10 and 12 and Pub Nights happen on the first Friday of each month.

The LAP is also open usually on the fourth Thursday of each month 5-30 to 7-30 **but** in May (if we have an election for the European Parliament) it will be on the **16th May** instead.

May 18th The Big Breakfast

May 31st 'The beginnings of Fairport Convention' – Village Ventures

June 2nd Tractor Run

July 6th Village Fete

September 27th Harvest Celebration