Scruton News

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Coore Memorial Hall

An Information Sheet delivered with this newsletter contains some important information about the charitable status of Scruton village hall. The village hall Management Committee have resolved to convert from a Charitable Trust to become a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and to update the charity's governance by adopting a modern approved Model Constitution. The details and reasons for this change are explained in the attached sheet.

Scruton Fest 2024 Saturday 22 June On Scruton Playing Field

Afternoon - Free Entry from 2 pm

- BBQ, Licensed Bar and Picnic
- Stalls Cakes, Plants, Tombola, Local Artists, Crafts and Music!
- Scruton Fest Village Raffle

Evening - Ticket Only from 7pm Live Music by:

- Citizen Smith, Carlton Gene
- Pete Harrison and Andy Wilson
- Bar, BBQ, Pizzas & Milk Shakes

Tickets on Sale Now!

Adults £10, under 16s £5, under 12s free Email: scrutonfest@gmail.com

Scruton Fest Raffle

Tickets - Please return all ticket monies and stubs to Tim at Cundall Cottage. Any queries or if you need more tickets, please call Tim on 07813 215450.

Prizes - If you wish to make a prize donation, these can also be left at Cundall Cottage.

Cake Stall - Joan Walker would be grateful for donations of cakes, tray bakes etc. Please list the ingredients and deliver to the stall in the afternoon of the Fest or beforehand to 24 The Parklands.

Tombola – Donations of Tombola prizes would be appreciated and should be left in the Mainwaring-Taylors' front porch or with the Elmers at Old Rectory.

Plant Stall – Elizabeth Davies would be grateful for donation of plants. Please deliver to the stall on the morning of the Fest or beforehand to 1 Peacocks Close.

D-Day 80 in Scruton

Wednesday 5 June

7 pm - The Longest Day, classic film in the village hall (doors open 6:30 pm).

Thursday 6 June

12 noon - Ringing out for Peace, by St Radegund's Church bell ringers.

2 pm - 3Cs for D-Day, Concert with Coffee & Cake, in the village hall.

8 pm - Beacon & Lanterns, on the Playing Field. Licenced bar from 8 pm; Tribute Service at 8:50 pm; Beacon Lighting at 9:15 pm. Bring your own lantern or candles.

Any money raised will be donated to Walking with the Wounded



Farming News

by Malcolm Barker

The relatively dry and warm weather of May gave us the chance to get this year's crops planted. The lateness of planting is likely to result in lower yields but that may be offset by moist ground conditions giving better growth than the dry conditions of recent years. Grass growth has been excellent with its roots in moisture and leaves in sunshine.

The remnants of last year's potatoes, left unpicked because of flooding, are now growing a new crop. I don't know how they will yield because it's bad practice to grow them twice upon the same land. It is possible that disease or nematodes will destroy the crop but so far they are looking well.



My North Yorkshire open studios events will be on the weekends of 1-2 June and 8-9 June, held near Scruton Station, in the field adjacent to Penhambleton. They are free for anyone to come and have a look. I will be exhibiting original paintings and prints and, if I can get hold of a display case, I will show a few historical artefacts found over the years on my farm.



Nature Notes

by Andy Johnston

Birds of Conservation Concern is a list of birds that are perceived as endangered. Of the 70 UK birds on the list, there have been 20 spotted in and around Scruton, depending on the season. Now is a good time to see many of these birds as they are in full breeding plumage and nesting. Yellowhammers are in the hedges along Common Lane, the male with a bright yellow head. In the tracks through the fields to the embankment yellow wagtails are common. Similar in size and shape to the common pied wagtail, the males can be brilliant yellow.





Along the Swale are grey wagtails with their dark backs and heads and yellow under-bellies. Near the embankment where power lines cross, is a lone field maple, the only true maple native to Britain. A corn bunting can often be seen singing from its topmost branch or on the power lines themselves. Swifts and house martins are back in good numbers, doing well compared to national numbers, as are house and tree sparrows. As this article is to some extent dominated by wagtails, Phil and Karen Johnson have a pair nesting beneath their solar panels. Rod and Josie have spotted their first otter at the Swale.

Jazz in the Garden

Jazz in the Garden on Sunday 7 July from 2 pm at The Old Rectory garden, Scruton with Scruton Jazz and Blues Band. 1940s theme (D-Day plus one month). Bring your own drinks and picnic. Limited seating available. All donations in aid of the Royal British Legion. 1940s dress code is optional.





Services at St Radegund's

All services at St Radegund's are on Sunday at 9:30 am except where stated. The Rev. Jenni Lane may be contacted on 01609 631122.

2 Jun No service in Scruton

9 Jun Benefice H C for Music Sunday

(10:30 am at Ainderby), Jenni

16 Jun Holy Communion, Jenni/Stasi

19 Jun Evensong (Wed at 7pm), Paul

23 Jun Morning Worship, Paul

30 Jun Benefice Holy Communion

Coffee Morning – Sorry, there is no Coffee Morning in June.

Thank You Slot - Coffee Morning in memory of Grace Sanderson raised a total of £828.40 in aid of the Teenage Cancer Trust. Many thanks to everyone who helped and supported the event.



Petrolheads

We are regularly gaining new members. Our next meeting is on **Thursday 13 June.** Call Alan on 01609 748 712.



Lunch Club

The next Lunch Club is on **Sunday 23 June**, 12:30 pm at the Coore Arms. If you wish to join us, please call Alyson Tonge on 01609 748 227 or email alysontonge@gmail.com

Kirkby Fleetham WI

Open Meeting – *The Curse of the Sticky Toffee Pudding* by Malcolm Warne, on **Thursday 13 June**, 7:15 pm at Kirkby Fleetham village hall. For details call Carol Barron, 01609 748 315, or email **carolinesboxes@gmail.com**

Scruton Jazz & Blues

Will be at the Green Dragon, Exelby on **Thurs 20 June**, 7:30 pm. Free entry but call 01677 427 715 to book a table.



Strollers & Striders

Walks take place on Monday mornings. Look out for messages on Network Scruton. For more info call/text Janet Crampton on 07540 503 030 or email janetcrampton@icloud.com



Gardeners' World

by Elizabeth Davies

After the rain and now warm weather plants (and weeds) are growing quickly. It's time to prune early flowering shrubs such as forsythia and viburnum to control their shape and size, keep them healthy and promote next year's flowers. Using shears or hedge trimmers can give an unnatural appearance; if you use secateurs or pruning shears for larger branches, they will look more natural.

New growth of early flowering clematis such as Montana needs to be controlled and if possible tied in. Although this growth is excellent for covering old trees. Snap off the heads of dead tulips to prevent them wasting energy setting seed, and let their foliage die down naturally. Pull out forget-me-nots before they set seed everywhere, there should be no need to shake them.

Early potatoes are now growing quickly and need earthing up to prevent a late frost taking their leaves, ensure there is plenty of soil over the potatoes to exclude any light which will turn them green and make them inedible.



Thankful Ale Scruton IPA

Available for local delivery at £27.50 for a case of 12 bottles, cash on delivery or BACS details on request. Call Richard (Chalky) on 07545 123 856 or message via village WhatsApp or Facebook. Every bottle sold raises money for the village.

From the Parish Council

By Cllr. Syd Nye

All change at SPC – as we bid a fond farewell to Mike Widmer and Chris Barron with all our thanks and gratitude for all their hard work on SPC; Maurice Daley has taken the Chair and Trevor Howe is the Vice Chair. We welcome new Councillor John Cherry to SPC.

We are still actively seeking another Councillor and a new Parish Clerk (which is a paid position). We are grateful to Chris Barron for helping us by continuing to collate the minutes, post them online and manage our finances for the time being.

Good News! - regarding flooding in Ham Hall Lane - the water has finally gone! The issue was caused by a blockage under the Cricket Field and there are numerous people to thank for identifying the blockage and clearing it: James Watkinson, John Stubbs, Greg Clapham, Mark Gatenby and Trevor Howe. The Cricket Club will install a manhole so that if another blockage occurs it can be rodded and cleared quickly without all the previous problems. NYC will also install two new drains in Ham Hall lane to prevent further build-up of silt.

Dogs - A gentle reminder that the crops in the farmers' fields are maturing and as such are more prone to damage by dogs running through them. Wherever possible please stop your dogs from going into the crops. Also, contrary to popular belief, there is no dog poo bags picking up service in the village, so please pick up your dog poo bags and put them in the bins provided and don't leave them by the wayside. Thank you.

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Parish Council Meetings 2024

The public are welcome to attend council meetings in the Coore Memorial Hall, starting at 7:30 pm.

11 July 12 September 14 November

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