

PLATINUM JUBILEE

**Friday 3rd June 2022
2pm till late
at the Village Hall**

**Children's Crown Decorating Competition
Children's Craft Table • Lucky Dip
Children's Fancy Dress (Kings & Queens)
Adult Fancy Dress (Red, white & blue)
Fakenham Ukuleles • Children's Disco
Hog Roast • Bar
Refreshments
and more!**

MAY '22

SCULTHORPE MESSENGER



NEWS & VIEWS FROM CHURCH & COMMUNITY

News from Sculthorpe Parish Church

Easter, one of the Church's most important periods has ended.

Although I live on the route of the pilgrims journey to Walsingham I had never before seen any of the groups who carry the cross through the village. This year I was determined to see at least one of them. I did achieve this and saw 2 of the groups.

I also went into the church to watch the service that Father Clive took. It is quite amazing how far the groups walk and the age range took me a bit by surprise, I didn't expect quite young children. I can't envisage my grandson putting in the effort that these young people did.

Father Clive has been our vicar for 10 years now and is now the Rural dean for our area. There will be a celebration of his tenure on Sunday 1st May at the Benefice service at our lady Saint Mary's Church in South Creake. This is to be a surprise to him but as the event will have already taken place by the time you get this I feel that I can mention it!

Many of the events connected to the church seem to be announced after the deadline for inclusion in the messenger so if you want to know what is going on then the benefice calendar is the place to find out, sculthorpe.org.uk

All contact details are on there as well but if you don't use the internet you will find the contact details on the church notice boards.

The Craft and Pop up Cafe also gets a mention, the second one was also a success and well attended. Next one is on May 14th so do come along.

We have been selling sunflower seeds in aid of the Ukranian appeal, it raised just under £80 so I rounded it up and Gift Aided it so the charity benefitted from £100. There were quite a few donations for the food bank too. Thank you to everyone who contributed to either, or or both.

If you have been up to the church in recent weeks you will have seen the mess that the rooks make. They are trying to make their nests in the belfry and they drop their sticks everywhere. Sue and David Beale have looked after the bell tower and have checked periodically to make sure that they can't get in, however they can't do that anymore.

My husband and I decided we would go up but one look at the ladder up to the trap door convinced us that we couldn't do it either!

Anyone out there with a head for heights and an adventurous spirit please apply!



News from Sculthorpe Church of England Primary Academy

Dear Readers,

I am delighted to be able to introduce myself to you as the new Head of School at Sculthorpe CE Primary Academy. Since taking up my post in April I have been warmly welcomed by staff, children and parents and I am looking forward to meeting more people from the school community over the coming months.

In the meantime, I thought I would share a little of my background with you. I have previously worked in both large and small, faith and non-faith, urban and rural schools and as a result thoroughly understand the challenges and opportunities that schools face in today's education climate. I am currently in the process of relocating from Northamptonshire where I have been a Headteacher of a small rural primary school for sixteen years. Whilst gaining considerable experience in leadership and management I have also endeavoured to maintain a teaching commitment.

I understand that a change in leadership in a school may bring a level of uncertainty but I seek to reassure you that I only want to look after and enhance the good work of the school that has gone before me. My intentions are to ensure that the children continue to receive a good education and that the vision of the school is lived every day: Have Faith, FLOURISH, Fly High.

Kind regards,

Michelle Pye
Head of School
Sculthorpe Church of England Primary Academy

Sculthorpe Bowls Club

The outdoor bowls season will be starting in May and the club is looking forward to playing again at Creake Road, we are opposite the park. We will be playing in the same local leagues as last season.

We are always looking for new members, no previous experience required, and we can loan equipment for anyone who may want to 'have a go'. If you think you may be interested, call in if you see us there or contact Vince and Rosie on 01328 851282. We also welcome spectators and have a licensed bar if you want to enjoy a drink in the walled garden.



Sculthorpe Craft Fair

Sculthorpe Church
2nd Saturday
Every Month
11am - 3pm

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News from Sculthorpe Parish Council

The parish council have had the village registered a 'No cold calls' village and it has significantly reduced the number of door knock salespeople but we have a supply of "DO NOT KNOCK" stickers which can be fixed to your door and if you would like one for yourself, a neighbour or a relative you can collect one at the village meeting.

I'd also like to draw your attention to the risk of being caught out by scammers who are getting more and more clever at emptying the bank accounts of the elderly. They can approach you and your neighbours either by email, phone or by post and it's reckoned that 53% of people over 65 have been targeted. Believe me when I say that they are good at doing what they do and so if you or a relative have been approached and asked to keep a mailing secret, reply or respond urgently, send money to claim a prize that you have "won", or asked for personal details then you have probably been scammed. A recent scam has been to ask, by phone, for you to hang up and immediately phone your bank on the banks number shown on your statement or debit card as you are at risk of being robbed and you will be asked by the bank to do a transfer of your funds to prevent the theft. They claim to be the police or the fraud squad or the fraud dept of your bank. Actually what happens is that by some trickery your phone call is being intercepted by the thieves and you will be guided to transfer the funds into their account. If you are asked to make an immediate phone call, the best advice we can give is to hang up, leave it at least 30 minutes, then speak to the bank and advise them of what has happened and DON'T transfer any funds anywhere.

So be careful, talk to elderly neighbours and relatives and hopefully we can stop scammers.

I'd like to remind you about the annual village meeting which takes place this year on Wednesday May 4th at 6.30pm in the village hall. We will be hearing from Mr Robert Smith who lives in the village and is the harbour master at Wells. I regularly walk from the harbour down to the lifeboat station and have wondered how it all works to keep it all under control and why is the route out into open water so bendy? So if you have your own questions come along to the meeting and find out the answers from the boss! It also give you the opportunity to ask your parish councillors any questions about their role in making the village tick and to make any suggestions for facilities or improvements that you would like to see around it.

The meeting will be followed by the regular parish council meeting and you will be welcome to stay and meet your parish councillors. However we won't be offended if you choose to leave before the council meeting starts.

Brian Watkin
Chairman of Sculthorpe Parish Council

SDT StarBright Theatre SDT

THEATRE CLASSES FOR 4-18 YR OLDS
11AM - 1PM SATURDAYS
SCULTHORPE VILLAGE HALL
NO AUDITION NECESSARY
07765911053
lghtafterdark@hotmail.com

**JULY PRODUCTION -
THE PINT-SIZED PIRATES !!**

ARTISTIC DIRECTOR - LIZ DARK B.A.DIP ED
£5 PER STUDENT PER SESSION



Notice Board

VILLAGE HALL

MAY EVENTS

GROUPS

Tues 8.30am - 1pm

Hartbeeps (term time only)
Pre-book with anna@hartbeeps.com

6 - 8pm

Line dancing (first Tuesday - monthly)
Pre-book with Nikki on 07851350704

Weds 6.30am - 7.30pm

Keep Fit
Prebook with Sue on 07774245810 - www.cardio&core.co.uk

Fri 6.30 - 8pm

Creakes Chamber Choir

Sat 9.30 - 10.30am

Fitness and Personal Training
Pre-book only with Jake Platten as above

11am - 12.30noon
12.30 - 1pm

Starbright Theatre Group 4-16 year olds
Starbright Theatre Group: rehearsal for 'The Pint-sized Pirates' (Summer Show in July - Date - TBA)
Pre-book: Contact Liz Dark on 07765911053
lightafterdark@hotmail.com

Parish Council meetings: 1st Wednesday 7.00 - 9.30pm bi monthly
4 May, 6 July, 7 September, 2 November

To book the village hall please contact **Vyv Matthews (4 Creake Road)**
on 01328 851985 or email: vyv_5cw@yahoo.co.uk

VILLAGE HALL HIRE

To Hire the hall please contact Vyv Mathews 01328 851985 - The Hire charge from 1st January 2022 is £12.00 per hour with a refundable deposit (if the hall is left clean, tidy, and undamaged) of £150.00 for all Adult events. £50.00 for Children's parties.

CONCERT FOR UKRAINE

Friday 20th May at 7.30pm in Fakenham Parish Church by Fakenham Fellowship Band of The Salvation Army.

Concert for Ukraine will be the first the band has performed since December 2019. The war in Ukraine has created a massive humanitarian crisis, one which The Salvation Army is playing a huge role both in Ukraine and neighbouring Eastern European countries.

There are no tickets for this concert nor is there any charge. However, all money donated will go to the Salvation Army Emergency Services serving in Eastern Europe. You can also donate online at www.salvationarmy.org.uk/ukraine-crisis-appeal

If you have a dog, it is your responsibility to pick up any deposit it makes. Please can you do this and encourage others to, as it is very unhygienic and not very pleasant around our village. Thank you.

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Please contact me by 20th May with any notices or features of interest for the June issue.

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If the gravel from your drive is escaping onto the pavement in front of your house please sweep it back as it's a danger to kids on scooters and bikes and makes life difficult for people pushing pushchairs or in wheelchairs.



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Rates on request

AFTERNOON SOCIAL

Friday 27th May
Sculthorpe Village Hall, 2pm - 4pm.

£2.00 per head to include refreshments. If we have a good response it will become a regular monthly village social meet up.