



Notton Village Newsletter

October 2021

Editorial

I am writing this on a beautiful October afternoon and reflecting how lucky we are to live in such a wonderful village.

This Newsletter is full of positive news of village life ranging from a large grant to improve the sport field, possible "bonfire night", success for the Cricket club, a report on the return of the Flower Show and more.

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Now that restrictions resulting from Covid-19 are being eased and life is becoming a little easier, I felt it was important that I should remind us all, including myself, what a great facility we have at the moment, and hopefully one we can continue to benefit from in the future.

During the pandemic, the community has supported the Shop to a very high level, long may this continue and it's clear that the Shop has been something of a Social Centre for people who have been unable to leave the Village to socialise.

Finally, I cannot praise David and his team of staff and volunteers enough, well done to you all, you've done great job. This, of course, includes the new volunteers who have worked during the pandemic.

Of course, we are always looking for more volunteers, so if you feel able to "put something back" into the Village please contact David.

Thank you all,

Regards, stay safe. **Frank Carter**

NOTTON GALA 2022

The date for next year's Gala was provisionally planned to be Sunday 19th June but unfortunately the cricket field will not be available due to the significant drainage works that are going to be undertaken next Spring. The Gala Committee are looking at alternative dates and whether a late summer Gala would be feasible, we do hope so as the Gala is such an integral part of our village community.

Gala Chair - Helen Jaggard

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NOTTON PARISH COUNCIL

A fairly quiet summer was interrupted by the invasion of the sports field off Hudson Avenue by travellers. Although they were moved on quite quickly via a joint effort by WMDC and the Police, they caused some damage to the allotments and left a lot of rubbish behind - residents are congratulated on how well they cleared up the mess. The District Council, who own the land, have now put up a low earth bank around the field to discourage fresh incursions.

The Council's grant application to fund repair and renewal work at the playground behind the Village Hall has regrettably not been accepted. We are continuing to investigate funding from other sources but in the meantime the see-saw will be repaired.

The hanging baskets through the village have continued to improve as the summer has progressed. We are exploring a reduction in cost for next year to compensate for the slow start.

Having a proper flagpole at the Village Hall will let us observe **Remembrance Day**. The Union Flag will be lowered to half-mast for the two-minute silence, at 11.00 on Sunday 14th November, for anyone who wishes to attend on the Green or the Hall car park. At present it is not intended to have prayers or readings.

Remember the Parish Council website - www.notton-pc.gov.uk/ and PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG!

Peter Taylor - Chairman, Notton Parish Council

NOTTON TENNIS CLUB

The tennis season is in full swing and we have a healthy membership. A very warm welcome to those new members who have joined us this year. We play throughout the winter weather permitting as the courts are in a good condition.

We have already run two six week courses of Junior coaching and an Adult coaching session. Coaching is always available through the Wakefield School of Tennis and by private arrangement with Dwight Brown. info@wakefieldschooloftennis.com

Annual membership fees were due for the year 2021-2022 on the 1st April 2021.

The membership rates approved at last year's AGM are as follows: Seniors £65, Students £22, Juniors £17 and House Persons (existing only) £40.

Membership fees should be paid in full by CHEQUE (preferred) or cash to the Treasurer, Notton Tennis Club, Nade House, George Lane, Notton, Wakefield, WF4 2NL

Membership application forms are available from the Club House or the Secretary and can also be downloaded from the Notton Village Hall website.

Janet Pratt at janet.t.pratt@talktalk.net or 01226728318.

(Club Secretary)

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200 CLUB WINNERS

Winners in the most recent draws were as follows:

July 2021

£50	54	P Tweddle
£20	156	J Kelly
£20	112	D Ward

August 2021

£50	124	T Waddington
£20	5	P Dickinson
£20	181	P Bonner

A cheque for £500 was presented to the Management Committee of the Village Hall recently as the profit for 2020/2021.

Welcome to the new members of the club and good luck to all members in future draws.

NOTTON PASTURES

The Steering Group have been working hard at securing grants for planting schemes of trees and hedgerows to commence this winter. We have been working with WDMC and White Rose Forestry and are awaiting a date for when trees will be available. When this is known we will be arranging planting days and looking for volunteers to come along and help and have an enjoyable day. We also have an application in for Countryside Stewardship funding which is a government initiative and we should know the outcome of this by the end of the year and planting would be in early 2022. We will be looking to put up a plaque to acknowledge the donations and contributions made in purchasing the Pastures.

Thanks were given to Christine Archbell and Bairbre Hepworth who have stepped down for the Steering Group and Peter Crafer was welcomed as a new member.

Steering Group - Jan & Colin Bryant , Peter Crafer 727862,
Helen & Steve & Jaggan , Anne & Peter Taylor 722155

NOTTON VILLAGE HALL WEBSITE

Much of Notton community life is reflected on the Village Hall website so I urge you to look at www.nottonvillagehall.uk regularly.

The website includes coverage of the Village Halls, Sports and Social Pavilion, Village Green, Sports Fields, the Cricket Club, the Tennis Club, De Notton Bowers Archery, and details of when regular, and special one-off events are running.

I'd also remind anyone involved with running events, clubs, activities which are published on the

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website to review their posts and ensure the details reported are correct.

Please email nvh.webmaster@gmail.com with any comments or suggestions you have about the NVH website. Many thanks! **Darrel Cartwright**

WHATSAPP GROUPS FOR NOTTON PARISH

WhatsApp is a messaging App you download to your smartphone for free. It lets you exchange fast, simple messages privately and securely with either individuals or groups. Only the people to whom you send your WhatsApp messages can read them i.e. your messages can't be viewed outside WhatsApp. Look here for more information www.whatsapp.com

There are two WhatsApp groups available to Notton Parish Residents, and both groups have over 100 members;

- **Notton Bulletin**

Only for urgent or important notifications/alerts. Aimed at getting news out quickly and consistently about items such as localised criminal or suspicious activity, emergencies, power cuts, fire, flooding, fly tipping, road closures, Parish Council notifications. It's like a News Flash; it's not a discussion group and chatting is discouraged.

- **Notton Forum**

Originally set up for Residents to request or offer Covid-19 related support, now developed into a community and social group. Use it for requesting or swapping information, offering/requesting items no longer-needed - either FOC or for sale, asking for/offering help, asking for recommendations for restaurants, tradesmen, services etc, notification of social or community events, and for discussions relating to Notton.

Users of both WhatsApp Groups have Notton's best interests at heart, treat members with respect, and care for the safety and security of our residents and their homes. If you're interested in joining one or both of the above WhatsApp groups please email me at darrelvcartwright@gmail.com with your full name and mobile number. Tell me if you're already a WhatsApp user or whether you need help to get started, and I'll get in touch with you.

Thank you. **Darrel Cartwright**

NOTTON CRICKET CLUB September 2021: Club success in 2021

I write to you following the conclusion of the 2021 and I am happy to report it has been a season of success! After a hard fought season the first XI finished in 4th place of division 3. The second XI completed a dominant season finishing as champions and 44 points clear of second place, this is a great result for the club and hopefully a springboard for even greater things in 2022!

The club has had a great season in which we welcomed the England North Deaf team, held a fantastic classic car show, undertook two carboot sales and carried out 10 weeks of junior coaching culminating in a week's cricket camp in the August school holidays.

The club awaits the levelling works commencing on the outfield in October 2021 and are grateful for all the time and efforts carried out by the village hall in securing this funding.

If you'd like to get involved on the pitch as a player or on the side-lines as a supporter or volunteer, you'll find all club updates on the Village Hall website or by following Notton Cricket Club on

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Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, and you can contact us via social media or email nottoncc2@gmail.com.

Yours in sport, Rhys Whitehead. Notton C.C.

NOTTON FLOWER SHOW 2021

After the enforced break in 2020 it was good to stage the Flower Show again. In spite of a difficult year weather-wise, the tables were filled with the usual wide variety of entries and the event was well attended. About £200 was raised for Village Hall funds. Many thanks to all the entrants and helpers who made it possible.

The winners were as follows:

Flowers (Dorothy Atkinson Cup):	1 st Alan Shand 2 nd Glynis Long
Largest Sunflower:	Glynis Long
Pot Plants:	1 st Anne Taylor 2 nd Alan Shand
Fruit & Vegetables (Gardening Club Cup):	1 st Ray Welch 2 nd Alan Shand
Homemade Produce:	1 st Jan Welch 2 nd Anne Taylor
Hobbies (R & J Welch Rose-bowl):	1 st equal Jan Welch & Dennis Gillibrand
Over-all Winner	Alan Shand (runner-up Anne Taylor)

Anne Taylor - Show Committee - 01226 722155



CROFTON SILVER BAND - Christmas in the Village Hall

Following a very successful concert 2 years ago, Crofton Silver Band, one of Yorkshire's premier brass bands, returns to Notton Village Hall on Saturday 18th December at 7.30pm.

Tickets available soon.

Any queries contact John Hicks

NOTTON VILLAGE HALL

Social and Fund Raising Committee

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I'm delighted after so many months to say that it has been possible to run events in the village hall . A little sense of normality after everything.

Sunday Lunch 22 nd August. A super lunch was prepared and served in the hall. 50 residents attended this afternoon with speaker Sheila Wainwright who talked about her work with dementia charities.

Sunday 19th September New Residents Welcome. It was good to see so many new residents of the Parish in the hall. We hope it gave you a flavour of Notton in less trying times. We hope to see you at future events.

Coffee Mornings have continued throughout the summer and will continue on the first Monday of the a new month. The next dates are 1 st November, 6 th December, 10th January 2022 and 7th February 2022. Please join us at 10.30am in the village hall. All welcome.

Quiz Night Friday 8th October - At the time of writing this is a sold out event ! Notton Christmas Ball in Notton Village Hall will return on Saturday 4th December. Tickets will be £40.00 per head to include a meal and entertainer. As we are still living with Covid a decision has been taken to limit numbers to 80 . Priority will be given to Notton residents. If you have not attended before please look out for the list in the Post Office. Tickets will be advertised and available shortly from Maureen Broadbent Tel: 709893 . There will be a waiting list if demand is high.

Race Night in Notton Village Hall Saturday 26th February 2022 - An early notice of this highly enjoyable evening . Further details and ticket sales will follow in the New Year.

Elvis is back! Notton Village Hall Friday 25th March 2022 - By popular demand Elvis returns after a two year gap. Keep the date free .Tickets on sale in the New Year.

The Queens Platinum Jubilee Village Event on Sunday 5th June 2022 - A very early date for next year but the committee intends to mark the occasion for residents.

Covid - we still living with this virus and must be mindful that it's important to keep our community as safe as possible. Please do not attend any functions if you are not well or have been exposed to the virus. As the events are ticket entrance only your money will be refunded in the event of illness. Tickets will be passed to persons on a waiting list.

All events are advertised on the notice board at the Post Office, on the Village Hall website and on Notton Forum.

Alison King

NOTTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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We are at last seeing hirers return to the village hall and things seem to be getting back to some kind of normality so at least we are getting some revenue to keep our village hall going. We have been quite lucky with grants from Wakefield Council which has kept our funds at a reasonable level. But now that has finished, we need to hire out the hall and restart our fund-raising events.

Further to the last Newsletter I can confirm that we have now secured a total of £198,500 in grants from Sport England, FCC Communities Foundation and The Lottery. The works will start early next year to carry out full drainage and regrading of the Sports and Social fields and hopefully weather permitting will take approx. 8 to 10 weeks. Unfortunately, there is going to be quite a lot of disruption to the Cricket and Archery and other events but when all the work is complete, we will have a much better ground for everyone to use.

At our management meeting on the 22nd of September, we discussed whether we are going to have a Bonfire & Firework Display it was decided to cancel it again this year mainly because of the parking during the event. Besides using the village green, we also used the playing field at the Oval and because of a bund being put up to stop more visits by traveler's it would be difficult to use therefore making more congestion in the village. As Chairman I must say I do not agree with the cancelling of the event but must abide by the majority of the committee. I feel that the benefits to the village and Hall and enjoyment to many people outweigh the disruption of 4 hours parking in the village on the night. We have had the same problem every year and we try our best to keep things going and the upside is the money raised for the hall and many local charities.

As reported before we have made a nature walk down at the Ings at the bottom of the playing fields: this work is still ongoing and makes a lovely walk for Notton residents. There is on-going maintenance for a project like this and we are looking for volunteers to help with that. Over the next couple of months, we will be looking for help from anyone who is able to come down. If you are able, can you contact John Hicks or myself so we can arrange a time.

On the 19th of September we had a social meeting in the village hall to welcome newcomers to the village: it was a very good and enjoyable. I think it showed the people how nice the village hall is and how lovely the villagers are who organize events and gatherings. I would like to follow on from this and ask anyone who wants to be involved with the hall or find out more about the committee please give me a call. As a committee we meet for a couple of hours usually on a Wednesday evening at 7.30pm every two months and we would love to have some new people on board with their new ideas.

Alan Shand - Management Committee Chairman (01226 724513)

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