

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Monday April 18. This meeting is an opportunity for villagers to discuss any matters relating to the parish. The meeting also receives reports from representatives of groups in the village. Full details can be found on the parish noticeboards or at www.scarning.info

Recycling

Two recycling banks have recently been placed in front of the school. One is for mixed glass, the other for clothes, shoes and textiles. For all items placed in the banks the school's fundraisers earns a small fee which will help toward funding activities at the school. Please help to support your local school by using the banks as much as possible.

The Bells, The Bells

The church bells are ringing again in Scarning as a new team of ringers begin honing their skills. The group practises every Wednesday evening from 7.30 to 8.30 and is looking for more volunteers. There are only four ringers at the moment and more are needed. If you are interested in joining them, please contact Tricia Foreman on 687082.

New Grit Bins

In response to the bad weather at the end of last year, the Parish Council has installed three more grit bins in the village. One is on Draytonhall Lane close to its junction with Brooks Drive. A second is near the junction of Chestnut Road and Allwood Avenue. The third is on the cut through between Blackthorn Drive and Allwood Avenue. There are now four grit bins covering the main entrances to Draytonhall Lane estate.

Conserving the Future

The group established to clear and maintain Scarning Water Meadows is always looking for new volunteers. If you would like to help to protect this important area of wildlife please contact Steve Dalliston of Wensum Valley Trust on 861183.

Art Exhibition

Scarning Art Club is holding an Art exhibition at Scarning Village Hall from Saturday 30 April to Monday 2 May, open from 10am to 4pm. The exhibition will include the sale of art works, plants and craft stalls. There will also be a display of artwork by children from Scarning School.

New Councillors

The Parish Council is pleased to welcome two new members, Anthony Horwell and Reg Walton.

Can you Help?

Dale Wiseman is interested in finding out about some of his ancestors who lived in Scarning. The family is that of George Cross, his first wife Mary and his second wife, Martha Rogers, who lived for a long time at the Carpenters Arms. They lived in Scarning between 1800 and 1900.

If you have any information, please contact dale.wiseman@ntlworld.com

Jamboree

Stephen Croxall of Scarning will be one of thirty six people in the Norfolk Contingent of the World Scout Jamboree 2011.

A World Scout Jamboree takes place once every four years, each at a different city in the world. This year, 4,000 people from the UK will attend the World Jamboree in Rinkaby in Sweden and will join over 30,000 others from more than 200 countries.

If you would like to support Steve, please either contact moose.croxall@googlemail.com or donate directly at www.justgiving.com/stevencroxall.

Thalia Theatre Company presents Arcadia

Performance and Exhibition inspired by St Peter and St Pauls Church, imagery, architecture and history. At Scarning Church on Tuesday 29 March, 6.30 to 8pm.

Fish and Chip supper

Want to eat Fish and Chips, while raising money for charity? Then why not hold a fish and chip supper on Friday 20th May to raise awareness of spinal cord injury and support the Spinal Injuries Association. Every year in the UK over 1,000 people experience a spinal cord injury.

You can hold a fish and chip supper in your own home, at work or hold a larger supper at your local community centre. The SIA provides a fundraising pack with hints and tips, invitations and donation envelopes.

Be part of something special and make a real difference. To request a fundraising pack or for more information, call Elizabeth Wright on 0845 678 6633 ext 229, or email fishandchips@spinal.co.uk

Are you seeking funds?

Is your community group or project looking for a grant? Each year the Parish Council awards grants to worthy groups in the village. Applications are considered at the September meeting of the Parish Council and must be received by 31 August 2011. For more information concerning eligibility and for an application form, please see the village website at www.scarning.info. or write to the parish clerk at Oakleigh House, Shipdham Lane, Scarning, NR19 2LB.

Please be a responsible dog owner and clear up after your dog.