Spooner Row, Suton & Wattlefield Village Hall Assoc.

Village Hall Newsletter

Spring 2014

Notice of the Village Hall

AGM

To be held on
Thursday 15th May at 7.30pm

Spooner Row, Suton and Wattlefield Village Hall Association is looking for new committee members. The main aim of the committee is to safeguard the future of the hall by maintaining it and promoting it's use to village residents. We meet once a month and run events throughout the year. Come to the AGM and see what we do...it's a great way to meet people and get involved with the village.

What's coming up...

Quiz and Chilli Jacket Supper - Sat 22nd March 7.30pm
Tickets £8, Licenced Bar, proceeds to Acorns Pre-school, 01953 605312 for tickets

Village Hall AGM - Thurs 15th May 7.30pm

Village Fete - Sun 20th July (details to follow)

Quiz and Chips - Sat 11th October (details to follow)

Would you like the chance to win £40 every month?
Then join the '100 Club'
This is a monthly draw with 1st prize of £40, 2nd prize £5, 3rd prize £5,
for an nominal annual fee of £12.
Please contact Mavis on 01953 605569 for details.
(all profits go towards the running costs of the Village Hall)

A Tribute to Diana Hockaday
by John Turner

Diana has retired from local politics for health reasons. She suffered a stroke in November last year and is now recovering in Oakwood Nursing Home, Colney.

I first came across her as a colleague of my wife Joan at the John Innes Research Centre in Norwich. The meticulous attention to detail required of a research microbiologist was also evident in her Council work. It showed in her tireless approach to what is simplistically called "casework". That's listening to what a resident's problem is, researching it, looking up Council papers (maybe searching the planning system…), coming back with an answer; in short, hours of voluntary work. Diana's efforts in this field saw her elected at District and County level, and the fact that she has been Chair of Norfolk County Council says better than I can here how good her work was.

When Diana and I were elected to the Town Council in the same by-election, I was grateful for her help showing me as a new Councillor how it all works (so that's patience to add to her list of virtues).

Despite her public profile, Diana is a very private person. Yes, she threw herself even more wholeheartedly into Council work when her husband Tony died, but she has always needed time for herself and family: a session of painting or tennis being the therapy of choice….we all wish Diana a speedy recovery.

…we also need extra pairs of hands to help us out as and when…so if you have a few hours to spare then give us a ring on 01953 605450

Volunteers Needed!

If you are fed up with people speeding through our village..then this could be for you…. **Community Speedwatch Volunteers** are needed. If you have a couple of hours spare a month and want to help keep traffic to a safe level through the village, then please contact the Safer Neighbourhood Team on 0845 456 4567 or leave a message at; Julianlawrence.halls @outlook .com. Thank you

What's going on...

Yoga Class
01953 851057

Dancing and Jive
01953 455500

Carpet Bowls
01953 450229

Pilates
07941 119434

Art Club
01953 604849 or 600533

Big Bang Music and Drama
07901 626510

Spooner Row Football U9's
07769 254956

Spooner Row has its own webpage!
www.spoonerrow.f2s.com
It contains local information, pictures and a lively message board

The Village Hall and Meadow are available to hire for parties, classes, events, meetings etc… We have a large main hall (max. 125 people) with a stage, tables, chairs, small committee/meeting room and a kitchen. **Please ring Isobel on 01953 600533 for prices and bookings.**

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