

The Clifton and Spalford Newsletter Winter 2022



This beautiful photograph was taken by Nigel Chester- Buckley who is, once again, producing a calendar showcasing 12 fabulous wildlife photos and selling them for £12 each in aid of local charities. If you haven't ordered one already contact Nigel directly or through this newsletter.

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St. George the Martyr Church
Advent and Christmas Services 2022.

DATE	TIME	SERVICE
Sunday 27 th November Advent Sunday	10.30am	Sung Holy Communion Lighting of Advent Wreath
Sunday 11 th December Thursday 15 th December	10.30am	Sung Morning Worship
Friday 16 th December Sunday 25 th December Christmas Day	10.30am	Said Holy Communion Book of Common Prayer Annual Family Carol Service with seasonal refreshments
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TAKING STOCK AFTER A TUMULTUOUS YEAR

Very sadly, we said goodbye to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on 8th September and in this issue, there are a number of tributes to her life of service. This includes the beautiful and poignant Fell Pony Societys' procession through South Clifton to the Church, where a blessing was given by Revd Mandy.

So much has happened politically, constitutionally and economically in the past three months alone that it is easy to forget what the summer was like. Coningsby in Lincolnshire was officially the hottest place ever in the UK with a sweltering 40.3C and the drought hit some of our farmers really badly. As I write this, we have just had a week of relentless rain and the Trent is beginning to creep ever upwards along the flood bank. The joys of our seasons seem to be punctuated by more and more extremes – is this something we will all have to get used to?

In this issue we look forward to Christmas and there is a lot going on. I hope this will help you in your preparations and it would be great to see you at one or more of the events advertised on the following pages. As ever, the calendar on the back page will be a handy reference.

For the first time in ages there is a Service at St George the Martyr Church on Christmas Day, as well as the usual Carol Service, Childrens' Nativity and 'Carols on the Green'. The Church PCC are running a Christmas Prize Draw to raise funds for, yet more, essential repairs to that glorious building. Please, if you can, support them as you could be a lucky winner of garden tokens that will come in very handy as many of us prepare for the open gardens event, being organised by Adan Faux, in May 2023.

After about 20 years of quietly getting on with cutting the grass on Dusty's Triangle, Graeme Atherley has hung up his boots (and his lawnmower!) A great big 'thank you' to him for his selfless service over a considerable amount of time.

And finally, as you know, we can produce and print over 260 copies of this free newsletter four times a year thanks to the support of our advertisers and other organisations who donate funds. The Christmas messages also raise much needed revenue so thank you to all of you that sent in your greeting this year – a record number of you!

Have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy Peaceful New Year from the newsletter team.

Did you know?

South Clifton has its' own website.

Visit for village information, notices from the council, forthcoming events and much, much more!

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Thank you to Geoff Goring for keeping us up to date!



Christmas Messages



Mike and Den would like to wish all our friends in the Cliftons a very Happy Christmas and a Healthy New Year x

*Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Healthy, Happy and Safe New Year.
Peter and Christine Scott*

*Happy Christmas and a great New Year to all in the villages!!
Dave, Sara, Tom and Jenny*

*Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year
From Marjorie and Ed Swain*

Debbie and Mike wish all in the villages a Merry Christmas, a Happy 2023 and would like to thank you for your support throughout this year.

*With all good wishes for a festive Christmas and a prosperous New Year.
Peter, Clare, Hannah and Joseph Watson*

Gill and Mick wish everyone in the three villages a Christmas filled with joy and laughter and a peaceful, hopeful New Year.

*Wishing you all a 'Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year'
Pete, Dee and Robbie*

*Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for 2023
Love Neil, Louise, Nelson and Jemima Gilbourne*

Grant and Susan Dickson would like to wish friends and neighbours a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and happy 2023



Granville and Teresa wish all their friends in Spalford, North and South Clifton a joyful Christmas and health and happiness in 2023

Jim and Shelagh would like to wish all their wonderful friends in The Cliftons and Spalford a magical Christmas filled with true joy and happiness and a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New Year.

John and Wendy would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. xx



*May your Christmas sparkle with moments of love, laughter and goodwill. And may the New Year ahead be full of contentment and joy. Have a Merry Christmas!
The Kerrys'*





Paula and Trevor Noble send all their friends in the Parish their best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a very Happy New Year



Wishing everyone a very Happy Christmas and healthy 2023 from Alison, Roger and Pepper at The Old Bakery

Andrew and Debbie would like to wish you all a very Merry Merry Christmas and a Happy 2023

Wishing everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year. Jamie Hallam

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! With love from Adam, Wayne and the boys

Ann Akrill sends Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year to all her friends

Wishing all our friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year Caroline and Chris



Best Christmas wishes to all in the three villages from Bindy and Ivor

To everyone this Christmas

Ruth and David Hollands want to wish all their friends A Very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year

*Whatever is beautiful.
Whatever is meaningful.
Whatever brings you happiness.
May it be yours this Christmas time and throughout the coming year.*

Gill, Debbie and Mike (your newsletter team) would like thank all the newsletter distributors and everyone in The Cliftons and Spalford for their continuing support.

Festive wishes

We hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

Nigel and Sarah Chester-Buckley



Dave and Di Sanders at Crowe's Cottage wish all their friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.





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(Normal opening hours all other days)

The Collingham Medical Centre team would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

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CHRISTMAS 2022

Saturday 24 December – **Open 9 am – 12.30 pm**
Monday 26 December – **CLOSED**
Tuesday 27 December – **CLOSED**
Saturday 31 December – **Open 9 am – 12.30 pm**
Monday 2 January 2023 - **CLOSED**

(Normal opening hours all other days. Closed between 1.00 pm and 2.00 pm every day)

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SOUTH CLIFTON REFILL STATION

Have we got some treats for you!!

The team have been busy finding Christmas goodies that are made from recycled materials and are kind to us and our planet. Have a look below at what we have in stock and pop in to see us on Saturday 10 – 12 noon to snap them up as stock is limited.



Beautiful Christmas soaps - £4

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Recycled twine – various colours - £3.25

Festive paper tape - £4.25

Reindeer - Hand knitted cloth - £5

*MERRY CHRISTMAS from the Refill team.
Thank you for all your support during 2022*

Red Lion Bar

Dancing The Night Away

Once again, we all enjoyed a brilliant night at The Autumn Bash in the Coronation Hall. Our 'star turn' was the bundle of energy Steve Clements who always gets the party started and keeps that young farmer, Peter Scott, on the dance floor (not always a pretty sight!)



We continue to develop the Red Lion Bar with the addition of a new sound system and watch out for the new lighting which will be coming soon. We are grateful to our partners – South Clifton Refill Station and the Lincolnshire Co-op, Collingham for allowing us to be one of their 'Community Champions'. The grant we received will meet the cost of a superb new and energy saving set of lights.

Adam Faux has done a fine job in getting food vans to the Red Lion on a regular basis and the timetable up to Christmas is: -

9th December – Barbell Burger Co.

23rd December - Gourmazin

You are always welcome to come and sit in the warm Bar whilst your food is being prepared.



We are also grateful to Anabel Lilburn and her colleagues, from Tetra Techs, who spent a very productive day clearing our wildflower area



and then planting seeds for next spring. They worked really hard and we were delighted with their efforts!

Watch out for further 'Quiz Nights' as the last one was a great success. We also intend to open on the match nights for England in their pursuit of the World Cup. Our arrangements for Christmas and the New Year are also being finalised. Please look out for details for all these events nearer the time on 'Cliftonites' and e-mail.

It is pleasing to report that the Ron Beat Pavilion is being used on a regular basis by 'Not The WI', Clare Watson with her art classes and Adam and his Sewing Bees. If you are interested in using this facility, please contact a member of the Sports Association.

Paula & Rachel are organising a 'Christmas Disco – hits from the 50's to the noughties' Please see their advert on the inside cover of this newsletter. Numbers are limited so get your tickets as soon as possible!

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and look forward to seeing you, at some point, at the Red Lion Bar over the festive period.

The Sports and Social Committee



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St. George the Martyr Church North & South Clifton



As we reflect on another year it seems that the phrase 'unprecedented times' has become the normal!



Our Diamond Jubilee celebration weekend, including a lovely well attended church service, was followed just a short time after by the death of our much-loved monarch, Queen Elizabeth II. We were proud to hold a service of thanksgiving for her service to the country and as Sovereign Leader of the Church of England. This included our first rendition of God Save the King. We established a Book of Condolence in the church. Revd Mandy was also able to receive and bless a parade of fell ponies at the church. This was organised by Jane Rawden and was both a lovely and emotional tribute to her Majesty, reflecting her love and support of the fell pony, and the fact she was Patron of The Fell Pony Society for over 40 years. Thanks to all those involved.



We have continued to hold our regular services throughout the year and once again Harvest Festival was a time for celebration and thanks, in particular to our local farming community. This was followed by a well-attended and enjoyable harvest lunch in the Coronation Hall.

The PCC remain very grateful for the support, both financial and in other ways, that our congregation and community give to the church, to enable it to provide an ongoing service to the villages and beyond. This year has been particularly challenging with the need to carry out expensive essential repairs. amid the spiralling ongoing running costs of our church. For another year we have had to use our small reserves to fund the annual expenditure, such as insurance and utility bills. We will continue to look at creative ways to raise financial support and if anyone else has ideas or initiatives they would be very welcome to put them forward!!

The 'Quirky Planter' challenge organised by Adam Faux raised much appreciated funds and left our church with a much-admired Flowering Font outside the gates!!

While you are admiring the font check out are marvellous new Notice-board!! Many thanks again to Derrick Watson and the Collingham Men in Sheds Group for this great addition to our church and a much-needed replacement!!



Our annual Remembrance Service, and presentation of wreaths to the War Memorial, took place in a full church on Sunday 13th November.

We have a very busy Advent season starting on Sunday 27th November at 9.30am with a service led by Revd Mandy. Our evening Carol Service will be held on Friday 16th December and for the first time in many years we will be having a service on Christmas Morning at 10.30am!! So, get the meal on and join us to celebrate Christmas Day!!

Finally, we said goodbye in November to Kath Aucote, a much-loved regular attender at our Church and at St Helen's, Thorney. Condolences to all family and friends. God Bless.

Looking forward to meeting you at a future service or event and sincere thanks for all your support over the last year.

With warm wishes to all for Christmas and every good wish for 2023.

Granville Daniels & Michael Cobham (Churchwarden's) and all PCC Members.

Contact: Granville 01522 778919. Michael: 01522 778914

Reflection from Revd Mandy

Dear Friends,

Our villages take on new lives at this time of year, don't they? In one of my favourite encounters of November, I was shown which bow tie a favourite dog will be wearing on Christmas day! This year, we face more dilemmas than what Christmas clothes to choose, for ourselves or our pets. Indeed, we may see fewer Christmas lights; maybe have fewer gifts and less Christmas food. It may be a good idea to watch out for each other, to make sure that everyone is warm and well and got good company, because by doing that, we'll reflect the true spirit of Christmas.

When we remember the Christmas story this year, let's try to imagine the people who aren't mentioned. The family and friends who must have helped Mary and Joseph to get ready for their journey to Bethlehem; giving them food and blankets for the journey. The people they met on the way, fellow travellers who like them, were forced to leave home, who helped each other find shelter and shared their food. The owners of the inn who provided a safe space for Jesus to be born, who probably didn't ask too many questions, but just responded to the need in front of their eyes. The people who turned a blind eye as Mary and Joseph sneaked out of Bethlehem by night and the people who supported them on their way to Egypt and helped them make a home as refugees in a strange land.

This Christmas story is a story of political intrigue, hardship and danger. This is the world that Jesus was born into. It's also a story of unsung heroes working together bravely to help each other in the face of powerful and cruel regimes. That's what happens when God's presence in our lives affects the way we respond to the world. Maybe we could be unsung heroes this winter and part of the Christmas story.

Back in our villages, I look forward to celebrating the Christmas story with you and especially singing carols. At St George's, our carol service is on Friday 16th December at 7pm, and I look forward to seeing everyone there.

Then there's a Christmas morning Communion service at 10:30am, so no one needs to miss out on celebrating Jesus' birthday!

Have a joyful and blessed Christmas and a very happy New Year.

Revd Mandy.

Coronation Hall News and Updates

The Coronation Hall has been undergoing some changes outside during the last few months. The new outside area is almost complete and we now have a seating area at the front of the hall (tables and seats coming soon!) and an accessible parking area. We also have a path that leads out from the Fire Door and the area at the side of the hall is due to be improved in the next few months. Thanks to all the Committee members who have helped with this and special thanks to Tom Stolworthy for laying the paved area at the front of the Hall and the path at the side.



The Hall now has gates that secure the carpark area fitted by Damian Griffiths.



We hope all these improvements will encourage people to use such a valuable village asset.



Events

On Saturday 3rd September the **34th Annual Produce Show** was held at the Hall. As it was the first Produce Show after Covid we were very pleased at the amount and variety of entries. Special thanks to Vicky Swain and committee members who helped organise the show.

Well done and thank you to everyone who entered.

The winners were:

Longest Runner Bean- That's a Long One Trophy- Margaret Griffiths

Biggest Marrow- That's a Big One Trophy- Sharon Rose

Young Artist- Sian Chambers Award- Chesson Cormack

Classes 1-16- Perpetual Challenge Trophy- Sharon Rose

Classes 17-21- Kathleen and Eric Coulsey Floral Trophy- Jo Cormack

Classes 22-34- Unnamed Trophy – Sara Chambers

Childrens' Category – Gold Chocolate Medal- Jim Carte

Overall points winner- Sharon Rose

Runner Up – Margaret Griffiths

Some of our lovely entries-



The second Coronation Hall Autumn Fair was well attended with eleven stalls offering a broad range of arts and crafts. Stallholders included Bedlam Farm Wildlife Rescue (Cassie Tudor), Christmas Decorations & Jewellery (Sarah Chapman), Avon Cosmetics (Jade Smart), Art & Jewellery (Martyn Pate), Watercolour Paintings (Clare Watson), Refill Station (Gill Cobham), Home-Made Cakes (Olivia Hodson), Cake Stands (Jenny Knight), Knitted Gonks-Jewellery- Glass Trees-Dreamcatchers (Maggie Firth), Lip Balms & Home-Made Soaps (Sue Holveston) and Hand-Made Wood Coasters & Chopping Boards (Michelle White). The committee were on hand offering sausage & bacon baps along with hot drinks. The raffle was very popular with 12 prizes donated by stall holders, the committee, Lincolnshire Coop and a number generously donated by Dave & Wendy Stewart from North Clifton.



The Coronation Hall is a charity run by a small group of volunteers and needs the support of the Community to fund improvements and general running costs. If you are interested in volunteering on the Committee, please contact any of the members – John Ford (Chairman), Jan Ford (Bookings Clerk), Debbie Coleman (Treasurer), Debbie Jackson (Secretary), Mike Coleman, Andrew Jackson, Alison Coverdale.

Ingham Circular

Distance – approx. 3.75 miles

(1.5 – 2 hours)

OS Explorer Map 272

An easy and level walk along tracks, field paths and quiet lanes, muddy in places when wet.



1. Leave the village hall/school (LN1 2XT) car park and walk towards the village green. Keep to the left, with the village shop ahead of you. Turn left and walk along West End. Look out for the remains of a windmill now part of a house. As West End bends to the left take the bridleway on the right. Admire the views to your left across the Trent Valley dominated by the cooling towers

2. At a junction of tracks turn left for approximately 30m before turning right onto a bridleway which follows the dyke as it weaves its way across the field. At the end of the field turn right and cross two bridges. Follow the bridleway keeping the dyke and then the remnants of a hedge on your right.

3. At the road turn right and follow it for approximately 1.5 kilometres until it bends sharply to the left.

4. Turn right along the track, a public footpath. When the track bends sharply to the left, continue straight on across a bridge. Walk straight across the middle of the field aiming for the house, visible in the distance. At the end of the field cross the track and bridge, head for the left of the house. Follow the footpath between the houses onto a lane, continue along this lane, to reach the green and return to the village hall/school.

Mike and Debbie Coleman





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Bike Ride 2022 - 600 Miles in September

Thank you so much to everyone who sponsored my bike ride for Marie Curie this year. Almost every day in September I got on my bike and went out for a ride. The aim was to ride 600 miles in September. I had good weather most days and rode between 10 and 42 miles a day. Newfield and Thaymar Ice cream parlours, along with Tillbridge Tastery and a nice little café in Sutton on Trent were very pleasant coffee and cake stops on the way.

Once again, I was raising money for Marie Curie, an amazing charity that provides care and support for terminally ill people and their families in their own home. So far, I have raised £320.00. My Just Giving page is still open (Ann's 600 miles in September) if anyone wants to contribute, or donations can be dropped through my letterbox (Trentside Lodge, Trent Lane, South Clifton).

This is my 17th sponsored bike ride for Marie Curie and up to this year I had raised £26,662 for the charity, so would love to pass the £27,000 mark this year.

Thank you once again for all the support the villages have given me over the years.

Ann Akrell

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Please ring Gill on 01522 778914 for more information or just turn up at the hall ready to start at 9.10am. You will need a yoga mat and comfortable, stretchy clothing.



PATCH

Poetry at the Coronation Hall

2nd Tuesday of each month

at 7.15pm

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North Clifton Parish Meeting

Septembers Parish meeting started by recording the meetings' sadness on the loss of Queen Elizabeth II on September 8th, and Jane Frost, the Parish meetings immediate past chairperson at the beginning of August. Both people with a strong sense of public duty who will be missed in their respective roles.

I am sure parishioners will have noticed that the telephone box has now been fully refurbished, thanks go to Ed Gibson for the painting and Chris/Jodie Wilkes for the signage. The notice board also now has clean toughened glass which replaces the milky dull Perspex. We are optimistic that the flooding on the green has now stopped thanks to some pipe cleaning works carried out by the NCC but despite a number of phone calls and emails the state of the School Lane path and "the jitty" remain in a poor state. This is still being pursued by our District Councillors.

Of late the village has struggled to attend the Safer Neighbourhoods Group meeting but Andy Hughes has kindly volunteered to try and attend future meetings. (Safer neighbourhoods is a meeting of local Police, Councillors, anti- social behaviour officers, other village reps and the like with a common aim of sharing information to help keep the area safe).

Fibre broadband still continues to rumble along in the back ground. A number of households and businesses have now pledged their vouchers to Open reach but at the time of writing we are unclear if Open reach now have enough vouchers to enable full fibre to be brought into the village. Maggie Firth is persistently pursuing Open Reach and trying to nudge the process along, but it isn't easy going.

A decision has still to be made on the type/material of any public seats that are to be installed in the village. The three locations for discussion are outside the Church, the bottom of Trent Lane, and around the junction of Mill Lane/A1133. If anyone has other suggestions, please let us know.

Future dates

Parish meeting

This is at 7.30pm on Thursday 1st December in the Pavilion, Coalyard Lane, South Clifton.

There is a pay bar open after the meeting and people are welcome to stay and socialise if they wish.

Carols on the Green



The annual Mulled wine, mince pie and sausage roll event with a selection of Carols to sing.

The planned date is Tuesday 13th December with a fall-back date of Thursday 15th December if the weather is bad.



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North Clifton Primary School



Autumn term so far has been a very busy one at North Clifton Primary. Our brilliant Friends of North Clifton have worked extremely hard as usual and organised a very successful Autumn Fayre which raised over one thousand pounds. Thank-you to parents, carers and members of the community for coming along to support it!



Our values have been a major focus for us this term. Everyone, including staff, children, parents, carers and governors have played a part in deciding and agreeing our values during a coffee morning which was very well attended. Our three core values (Respect, Responsibility and Resilience) underpin all of our other values, one of which is focused on in detail each month. So far, we have focussed on Uniqueness, the British Value of Liberty, and Friendship for November. It has been great to see the children really showcasing these values.



It was lovely to see so many people in church for our Harvest Festival which the children really enjoyed learning new songs and creating artwork for.

As part of our English unit on *The Highwayman* by Alfred Noyes, we enjoyed a 'Horse experience day' where we interacted with two horses, Pip and Pea; collecting vocabulary and finding out about how Highwaymen used horses as their mode of transport.



We have had a visit from the Fire Service, who have talked to us about fire safety and keeping safe on Bonfire Night.

We also enjoyed a whole school trip to Gainsborough Old Hall, where we found out all about life in the Tudor times.



We celebrated the life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and created portraits of her at different stages of her life.

We have evaluated our work in the Secret Garden, thinking about what grew well and what didn't and why that was. We were also pleased to receive our Level 3 in the School Gardening Awards!



We are all waiting with anticipation for the World Cup this year. Although we will all be cheering England along, we all have another country in our sweepstake who we will be rooting for.



We have lots more to look forward to as we head towards Christmas, with parties, pantomimes and Nativity plays.



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This year I have been holding watercolour workshops!

Twice a month a group of likeminded folk have joined me at South Clifton Pavilion.

The first Thursday of the month is devoted to learning skills: - we have covered

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| The basics—Paint Paper & Brushes | Colour Mixing |
| Creating Texture | Drawing Tips |

On the 3rd Thursday of the month, we have painted a picture.

I am very proud of my students, both new and with more experience, who display their work at the pavilion.

Some Ideas for 2023 are: -

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| Trees—painting a blue bell wood | Creating Waves |
| Flowers | Capturing light and shadows |



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South Clifton Parish Council

This time of year, running up to Christmas seems to be a very busy time for the Village and inhabitants. With so much going on I am sure I will miss something. If I do just put it down to age.

The North Clifton School Autumn Fair held on 1st October was a great success with lots to entertain the children and plenty of competition and refreshments for the adults. For the second year running, the October weather was very kind, allowing the event to be outside.

We had the Harvest Festival Service of Thanksgiving on 9th October followed by the Harvest Lunch both being well supported and enjoyable whilst helping to raise much needed funds for our church. The Remembrance Day Service was also well attended with representatives from the three villages each laying a wreath at the war memorial.

The Trent Valley Trail was opened at Girton on the 12th October, and the further extensions through to the village are awaited with baited breath. As you know, this will eventually be a safe and inclusive route from Newark to the cycle track on the disused railway between North and South Clifton, allowing access through to Lincoln too.

The Autumn Bash held 22nd October in the Coronation Hall was very well attended, with Steve Clements, as usual, getting everyone up on their feet dancing.

An Autumn Market was also held in the Coronation Hall on 12th November with quite a Christmassy feel to it, with stalls offering ideas for stocking fillers and presents, as well as some very scrumptious cakes. The Hall Committee sold much needed refreshments.

The next event due is the Christmas Dinner Dance to be held on 3rd December and already we know this will be well attended because the tickets became sold out very soon after going on sale.

Those of you that have been to the Sports Pavilion recently will know that The Red Lion Bar and the South Clifton Refill Station are both becoming embedded in village life and are both going from strength to strength.

Most of these occasions or groups are run by volunteers and thanks must go to all the people involved in the organisation and the running of so many different events. We are very lucky to have so many committed people willing to give their time.

Mill field is progressing and we are pleased to see the proposal presented by the Community Group that has been sent to Newark and Sherwood District Council and currently we await their response. Hopefully, in the not-too-distant future a more productive use will be made of the Field for the benefit of the Village and surrounding communities.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 12th December at 7.30pm, in the Coronation Hall and as is usual, we open the meeting to all as you will be very welcome to attend.

Christmas will be soon upon us and the Parish Council adds our Christmas greetings and well wishes to all. So, have a happy Christmas as we look forward to the New Year.

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Winter dates for your diary

There are regular weekly events in The Coronation Hall – see individual adverts in this newsletter. Here are details of the other events being held over the next three months. They are in the Coronation Hall unless stated otherwise.



December

- 1st – North Clifton Parish Meeting -7.30pm – Sports Pavilion
- 3rd – Christmas Dinner Dance
- 9th – Barbell Burger Co at Red Lion Bar
- 10th – Christmas Disco – Sports Pavilion
- 13th – Carols on the Green, North Clifton – 6pm
- 13th – PATCH – 7.15pm
- 16th – Candlelit Carol Service – St George the Martyr – 7pm
- 23rd – Gourmazin Food Van – Red Lion Bar
- 24th – Christmas Eve at the Red Lion Bar
- 25th – Christmas Morning Service – St George the Martyr - 10.30am
- 31st – New Year at the Red Lion Bar (ticketed event)

January

- 10th – PATCH – 7.15pm

February

- 14th – PATCH – 7.15pm



South Clifton Parish Council and North Clifton Parish Meeting have yet to set their meeting dates for the new year, so they will be circulated by email and Cliftonites.

Something to look forward to: -

The villages are holding their own Open Gardens event in May 2023. Adam Faux is organising this so please get in touch if you would like to be involved or would like to help.