

Dishforth Football Team News

Hi my name is Kelvin Wintersgill the manager of Dishforth as follows is my report from the football team for the season so far.

Season 2009/2010 we lost a lot of players around Christmas time. The new lads who came in and took on the mantle of Dishforth FC have showed true character and team spirit for sticking with it even through heavy defeats. Jamie Brannon stepped down as secretary, which I would like to thank him for his time and effort. We have a new captain in Richard Waller who is doing a great job in his new role.

Season 2010/2011 brings new hope after a strong improvement in performance from our defenders and goalkeeper. The games are a lot closer unfortunately not the wins we would like. But our strikers and midfielders are starting to find their goal shooting boots. The team's overall performance has greatly improved. With the average age of 22 I believe the only thing we are short of is experience that will only come with time.

With the new kit and our first point of the season coming today with a 3-3 draw against Bishop Monkton things are starting to look up. I would like to take this opportunity to again thank Jill in her continued support for the football club and as her role of treasurer. Also thank all the lads involved in the football team for their commitment and loyalty for this team making my job a lot easier and making the village proud just need to get the results to reflect the effort they put in. We have a great team spirit on and off the pitch. I would like to welcome anyone to come down and get behind the team. Also if you would like to play for the team please contact me on 07513290881



Spring 2011

Special Sports Edition



Royal Wedding

Family Disco

Dishforth Village Hall Friday April 29th – 7pm till 10pm

Highlights of the wedding will be shown on the Big Screen!

£2 a ticket or £5 for a family of four.

Refreshments including Supper will be on sale

Tickets are limited so pre book yours, call Hilary on (01845) 577664 after 6pm or call Sue on 577729, Jane on 577876 or Sarah on 578266. Any remaining will be available on the door.

All proceeds in aid of Dishforth Village Hall

DISHFORTH VILLAGE GALA SUNDAY 10TH JULY



CHILDREN'S FANCY DRESS

We will be holding a fancy dress competition again this year – full details of the theme and age categories will have been circulated throughout the village and to Dishforth School pupils. JUDGING WILL COMMENCE AT 1 P.M. OUTSIDE THE SPORTS PAVILLION- ALL ENTRIES SHOULD ARRIVE BEFORE 1 p.m.

CHILDREN'S RACES Entries taken on the day. Races for all age groups (including parents!!) proved a hit last year and will be back for more fun!

DOG SHOW Classes for: Loveliest Lass: Most Handsome Boy: Young Handler: Happiest Dog: Dog most like its owner: Best Six Legs: Best in Show. Entries taken on the day - but you can pre-enter before the day, Call Hilary on 01845 577664 (after 6 p.m.) – this will save you from queuing!! Please see page two for donations required.

TUG OF WAR Certainly one of the star attractions from last year, we really want to make it hard work for the reigning Dishforth Army Air Corps team (who were already practicing nine months ago!). Please try and get a team together for this fun event. Teams of six. Pre-entry required so please call Mark on 01845 577219.

DONATIONS REQUIRED If anyone has any unwanted gifts they would like to donate to the Tombola stall please drop them off at the Black Swan pub or call either Jenny or Hilary on 01845 578465/577664 who will collect them from you.

CAN YOU HELP ON THE DAY? We would be very grateful of any time you have on the day to help us make this event even better than last year. We would also like to borrow some gazebo's again - hopefully the wind will not create havoc for us! Please call Mark on 01845 577219.

DISHFORTH VILLAGE

Newsletter

Village Hall—Events Committee Report from Sue Fisk.

The Valentines Ball on 19th February was a great success, with in excess of 60 attending, all dressed in their finery. Despite a little hiccup with the live entertainment the 'show' still went on, and even though we had hired the wrong 'Danny' everyone still enjoyed themselves.

A big thank you has to be said to all who assisted in making the evening the success it was; all who attended, without whom we wouldn't have any functions, and to everyone who donated gifts, food and time to make it all possible.

Saturday 19th March saw the **Angus and Ross Theatre Company** back in Dishforth Village Hall, this time for something a little more serious: Frankenstein. For all of those who have previously seen Dominic Goodwin in any of the many productions he has brought to our village, I know it seems hard to picture him in a serious role, however the play, although deep, was extremely good and worth seeing. For those of you who haven't seen any of Dominics work, it is well worth looking out for the next time he is 'treading our boards;. You won't be disappointed.


DATES FOR YOU DIARY—See front page for Royal Wedding Disco and July GALA

Black Swan News I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your kind thoughts and condolences when Del passed away last month. I received 176 cards which was overwhelming, Between you all and the pub, you have helped me through the worst time of my life, and I am very grateful for that. But life has to go on, so the quiz nights on the first Saturday will continue, with all proceeds to be shared between The Village Hall, Sports & Playing Fields, Dishforth School and The Children's Playground.

PUB QUIZZES The next two pub quizzes in The Black Swan will be held at 8pm on **Saturday 7th May** and **Saturday 4th June at 8pm.** Entrance £1 to include buffet supper. Thank you Jill

Great Dishforth Quiz 3 - Saturday 11th June 2011 – 7.30pm **Curry & Quiz Night!**

Following the sell out of our interactive quiz last year, we announce the Great Dishforth Quiz 3. Doors open 7.30pm – quiz starts at 8pm. Curry included in ticket price of £5 per person. Teams of 1-6 people (children very welcome). Licensed bar and raffle. To ensure your team are entered call Hilary on (01845) 577664 after 6pm or call Sue on 577729, Jane on 577876 or Sarah on 578266 with your team name.

 **Calling all Dog Lovers.....** Once again we will be holding a dog show at the Gala. The organisers are looking for some kind and generous people who would be willing to sponsor a class for the small sum of £10. There will be 6 classes and the Best in Show class so we want/need a total of £70 to cover the expenses. The money is used for rosettes, prizes and the Best in Show trophy. If you are a kind and generous person who would like to sponsor a class please contact Hilary Thornley on 01845 577664 (evenings only) or Jane Naylor on 577876.

Dishforth Bowling Club Annual Report



The outdoor season runs from April to the beginning of September, far too short for this very enjoyable game, but bad light stops play for the evening games much beyond this.

The membership has remained about the same, some players retiring from the game but we welcomed some new and enthusiastic players,

We play in 5 leagues, as well as several friendly and trophy matches, which gives us a full and varied programme. The end of season saw us victorious as winners of the EBRL league and third in most of the others, so a successful year.

We were hosts for the "Jack and Jill" competition this year, where teams of 4 men and 4 women from each club play against the opposite gender. This is followed by a welcome cup of tea and home made scones and jam. We donated the profit from the ensuing raffle to St. Michaels Hospice, in memory of Hugh Naylor who had been our Honorary President.

Our season ended with the traditional Finals and Fun Day complete with an excellent BBQ, with a variety of salads and desserts that would be the envy of many a restaurant.

The AGM is held in October and the Annual Dinner and Trophy Presentations, for the club championships, in November.

The Gala saw members of the Bowling Club working hard to help raise funds for the village organisations, and contributing to the successful and enjoyable day.

Our bowling green and clubhouse are in excellent condition, due in the main to the hard work of our green keeper, helped by other members of the club. We are surrounded by the much admired floral displays so this is a very pleasant part of the village to be on an afternoon and evening for both players and spectators.

We would welcome new members, both from the village and beyond, and they would be assured of a warm welcome. Bowls and equipment are available and a trial period is free of costs. Bowls is not all about competitions, several members meet regularly for a "roll up" and friendly games, a sociable sport to be enjoyed by all ages. Any information or help can be obtained by ringing 01845 577641 or 01845 577695 or 01845 577689.

Glenys Midgley

Chair, Dishforth Bowls Club



Dishforth Cricket Club 2010 Cricket Report

Firstly I would like to thank all the Cricket Ball Sponsor for the 2010 Cricket Season which helped with our finances. As for the Cricket Season it was definitely a season of two halves, although a 100% improvement on last year.

We started off this season losing our first 3 games. Oh Dear!! a repeat of last year! Then on the 8th May Dishforth v South Kilvington home match, the team recorded their first win in 18 months, things were on the up. The following week Dishforth won again against Bishop Thornton thanks to the return of Mark Lowson who scored 145 runs and Steve Hawkswell who scored 74. It was a tight game but the bowling attack of Mark, Danny and Gavin made sure we won.

The following five weeks we began to lose again, this was I think due to the fact of not having a consistent team and unsettlement of team players, but we stuck to our guns.

On Saturday 3rd July the second half of the season began, only Dishforth could achieve the impossible!!! We were at Ripley I lost the toss and was put into bat, 26 overs later the team won bowled out for 56 runs. Only Adrian Porter top scored with 20 runs. I asked what went wrong and everyone said "The Track!" I was about to resign. Tea was taken and afterwards Ripley 2nds came out to bat with air of confidence, then the unbelievable happened, we got two quick run outs and wickets began to tumble 28.2 overs later Ripley were back in the Pavilion shell shocked, having been bowled out for 53 runs. Our fielding and bowling was of a very high standard, it was a team effort.

However, throughout the season we were in danger of relegation, again we stuck at it and never lost sight of who we were.

There were many more memorable games thanks largely to Steve Wilson, Gavin Hardisty, Mark Lowson, Daniel Bettles-Hall, Steve Hawkswell. The last ten games of the second half of the season we managed to win 7 games compared to the start when we won only 2 games out of 10 with only one game rained off, thus ending the season with 53 points and finishing sixth in Division 5. Keep it up boys!! I would also like to say thank you to all those who helped with the ground in preparing some good cricket wickets, lets not forget my partner Gillian who prepared all the home teas which I think all of us can say are the best teas in the league. Thank you.

Lets set our sights on promotion for the forthcoming 2011 cricket season. See you all soon at the Cricket Nets which started in February. Well done all.

Garry Bettles-Hall, Club Captain

"A VERY MIXED BAG" - Sports Association Report from David Wells

For me this has been a very mixed kind of a year, with extreme highs and lows. Lets start with the lows. Undoubtedly our lowest low as a sports association has been this winter, the frost, the burst and the flood! In my forty years in Dishforth I do not remember us having this kind of penetrating frost at the various pavilion buildings, with the consequences of the burst water pipe to the showers. The fact that the pavilion had just been refurbished, at considerable expense, makes it all the more frustrating. On the negative side, it is making a mess of the Football season with the changing facilities closed until fixed. However, on the positive side, the building is well insured and will be ready for the summer seasons.

Our major function/fund raiser of the year was undoubtedly the Gala Day. We should recognise this as a triumph for the organisers. Gala Day 2010 was, as Wallace and Grommit would describe it. "A Grand Day Out". Well done to all the team. However, we should recognise that we should continue to move forward. The many new residents to the village undoubtedly bring skills and talents to the village which would be of benefit to the cause, please let us know and come and join us in our endeavours.

DISHFORTH NEEDS YOU!! Help us make Gala Day 2011 the best ever. For me the major high, whilst not strictly under the jurisdiction of the Sports Association, has to be ne Children's Play Area. This facility completes the provision for all age ranges in the village. It is decidedly a super area and facility, and is a credit to those who made it come together. These sort of projects are a "team game" however, I make no apologies for singling out and thanking Karey Holley for her tenacity in making this come to positive conclusion. Karey, you should be very proud!!

Census 2011 reminder A census of every household in the UK is being held. Each person in every household is being asked for basic information about themselves to help the government plan how to deliver key everyday services. By law you have to complete the census and can face a big fine if you don't. You should now have received your census form which needs to be completed and returned by 6th April, alternatively it can be completed online. A Census Collector will visit all households who haven't returned the census form by 6th April.

Abolition of the default retirement age The government is phasing out the default retirement age (DRA) from April 2011. Under the arrangements for abolishing the DRA, your employer can only make you retire using the DRA procedure if you have both:
° been notified of your retirement date before 6 April 2011
° reached the default retirement age of 65 (or higher if your employer's normal retirement age is higher than 65) on or before 30 September 2011

Abolishing the DRA will mean that, in most cases you can choose when to retire. More information can be found at: www.direct.gov.uk

News from Dishforth CE (VC) Primary School

As the spring term nears its end, the children in Dishforth CE Primary School are looking forward to their Easter break. Our end of term Easter collective worship will be held in Baldersby St James Church on Friday 8th April when the whole school will reflect on the Easter story and the theme of creation. Parents and friends are invited to join us in church for this celebration at 9:45 am.

Although Easter Sunday falls very late this year, the children began to think about Easter traditions and customs earlier in the term. In February, thoughts turned to chocolate as we took part in Fair Trade fortnight and held our Fair Trade Friday event. Everyone in school had the opportunity to sample some Divine Chocolate and contribute to some shared poetry writing inspired by the taste of the chocolate, as well as baking cakes, producing collages of the Fair Trade logo and printing symbols for a Fair Trade table cloth.

Each class has also researched different Easter customs as part of a special assembly to welcome a group of Sri Lankan teachers to our school as part of our new global link.

Looking ahead, we will soon begin a series of transition days to welcome our new starters for the September 2011 Reception class. Our nursery has been very well attended this year and we will have availability in September for morning and afternoon sessions for children aged three and over. There will be a nursery open day in the summer term but we do welcome prospective parents and children throughout the year. If you have children approaching their third birthday and would like to look round, do please contact the school office to arrange a mutually convenient time. Applications for nursery can be made directly to the school.

Happy Easter from everyone at school.
Sue Brooks, Head Teacher, Dishforth CE Primary School.

Just to let you know, we are collecting all supermarket vouchers and we would appreciate any spare you may have. Thank you for all your donations last year which have been put to very good use.

Church Information

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Parish Council News

The Annual Dishforth Parish Meeting this year will be held on Tuesday 19th April starting at 7.30 p.m. This is a change from the original advertised date of 26th April.

A majority of your Parish Councillors, your District Councillor Chris Brown and your County Council Councillor Paul Richardson will be there to answer any questions you may have and you will have the opportunity to raise any problems and/or concerns with them.

PARISH PLAN You are no doubt aware that the Parish Council has been seeking your opinion on the production of a Parish Plan for the Future and asking for volunteers to sit on the Steering Committee - to date it has not had any response at all but there will be a chance for you to reconsider at the Meeting. The notice regarding the Parish Plan is on the Notice Board and displayed at both Pubs and the Post Office and it asks for volunteers to form a Steering Group to investigate the Parish Plan for the Future (the original notice is also on the Website if you have not seen it)

The Plan is a tool whereby the Parishioners from Dishforth can put their ideas forward to the Parish Council for the future of the Village showing what facilities and/or improvements they would like to see to make it a better place to live.

The Parish Council has not had any volunteers as yet and it has agreed to extend the response deadline to the 15th April .

The matter is on the Agenda for discussion at the Annual Parish Meeting but if no-one volunteers then the Parish Council will not proceed further.

The Parish Council also hopes to be in a position to report on the progress of the Road Safety Measures agreed last year.

So don't forget TUESDAY 19 APRIL AT 7.30 p.m. IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Please also note that the Parish Councils Meetings held on the second Tuesday in each month now start at 7.00 p.m. and are followed by those of the Village Hall Trustee and Managing Committee - Agenda items for either Meeting should be given in writing to Suzanne Beattie (5 Moor Lane) at least one week before.

Mobile Library makes the following stops at DISHFORTH:



Wednesday April 6th, Wednesday 27th, May 18th, June 8th and July 29th . Stopping behind The Village Hall at 9.40am and then Grange Close at 10am till 10.10am.