# Naseby News

### **MARCH 2013**

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# Village Update Naseby Parish Council (PC)

# CUTTING BACK OF THE TREE ON THE NUTCOTE / HIGH STREET TRIANGLE

The tree was shaped and trimmed at the end November, 2012, by Geoff Gould.

# EMAIL COLLATION AND BROADBAND SURVEY

Please look out for the Naseby Village Broadband Surveys which are currently being carried out. Completed surveys should be delivered to Councillor Pritchett, the address is on the survey form. Thank you to Felicity for her help with this.

#### **30MPH SIGNS**

Some of you may have noticed that we have been successful in getting the County Council to extend the 30mph zones on the edge of the village, moving the signs on the Clipston Road, Haselbech Road, Welford Road and Cottesbrooke (Guilsborough) Road. The County Council have

installed new ones complete with brown "Battle of Naseby 1645" plates

#### DAVENTRY DISTRICT COUNCIL PARISH HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY

Daventry District Council is carrying out an important and confidential study of housing within the area and would be grateful for your help.

The information will be used to help the Council develop its housing and planning policies and decide how any need identified from the surveys will be best met. The Surveys will be Delivered by Councillors' Clark and Reedman shortly. Please contact the Clerk if you have not received a survey.

### Members of Naseby PC

Scott Westaway Chairman

Bridget Baker, Tree, Footpath & Mowing Warden

Steve Clark, Playground Inspector

Mel Hoyle, Snow Warden Village Hall Representative

Greg Pritchett, Neighbourhood Watch & Police liaison

Paul Reedman, Vice Chairman Highways & Road Safety Officer

Joanna Gould, Clerk Vacancy for

#### **Parish Clerk**

Working for Naseby Parish Council you will be the principal point of contact for parishioners and local government officials for a wide range of public service matters affecting Naseby. Duties include:

Attending monthly meeting (not January & August)

Taking and subsequent production of minutes

Collating all matters for monthly agenda

Administration of the Council's affairs

Budgetary control of the Council's finances & accurate

bookkeeping

Co-ordination of the Parish Newsletter (3 times a year)

Up-keep of notice board

Updating information on the village website, Naseby.org

The role requires 25 hours per month, remuneration is in line with Local Government salary point 19 together with an allowance for use of your home/telephone/internet. As this position is working from home access to a computer, internet and printer are essential.

Please contact Joanna Gould, Clerk to Naseby Parish Council on Telephone:01604 743332

Email: nasebypc@btinternet.com

NCRF have been advised that a builder has been selected to complete the work and the application for the second tranche of grant money has been submitted to English Heritage. We are waiting to hear from them in anticipation.

If anyone has any fund raising ideas they would like to put forward please do send an email to <u>nasebychurchrestorationfund@gmail.com</u>. We are always pleased for any ideas and help you can provide.

We would like to thank everyone for their support to date and hope that this year's events bring fun to all whilst helping us to progress towards our target of £100,000.

Christopher Davies (NCRF - Chairman) On behalf of NCRF committee

Clipston News -Coffee morning, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month 10.30am – 12.00 at Clips ton Village Hall, all welcome.

#### Chairman's update

As we approach the Spring I thought it would be a good idea to pass on the activities of the parish council since the last Naseby News.

Despite not having a meeting in January the parish councillors have been busy trying to resolve a number of issues in the village that have come to light. The recent weather has certainly taken its toll on the roads with potholes appearing everywhere. Regular reports are being made to the County Council regarding the dangerous state of many of them. Although we await any remedial works to be carried out I don't hold out any hope for it to be anything other than patching, if and when it happens, as the same problems are common all over the county.

The flooding on the corner of Newlands and Haselbech Road, which has been the same for as long as I can remember, has once again had some work done with a blocked drain gulley being replaced and pipework re-laid by council contractors. The first thaw of snow saw water collecting on the corner again last week so the jury remains as to whether this has improved matters. To back up this work we have decided to clear the roadside ditches on the Haselbech road adjacent to the recreation ground and village hall. All of which we hope will improve the passage of surface water and prevent localised flooding of the all weather tennis court and the road.

While on the subject of the village hall we have also found a contractor to loosen, crush and recycle the existing car park surface, this will then be regraded, rolled and surface dressed with two layers of bitumen to seal the surface. I am hopeful that this will be the end of potholes in the village hall car park and provide a more stable and long wearing surface. Hopefully this will help the village hall improve its appearance overall and increase external bookings etc. All of this work is scheduled for March-April, weather permitting of course.

Complaints have also been received regarding the standard of the road surface on Carvells Lane, the council has received a response from the County council who will carry out minor works to fill the worse pot holes with chippings and planings and minog drainage work to improve the flow of surface water.

However, we have been advised that as it is an un-metalled highway they do not intend to upgrade/resurface or carry out any significant improvements to it.

We have also been advised that we have successfully been granted a further 105 trees to plant in public or communal spaces. If anyone has any ideas where to plant them other than the recreation ground or wants to help plant them please contact Paul Kelly or the parish clerk. We have a special planting tool which means each tree can be planted in a matter of minutes without any back breaking digging.

Tenders have been sought for a new mowing contractor over the Christmas break with three contractors showing an interest in the work. The tender has been written with a view to improving the standard of the village greens, verges and most importantly the church yard which was showing signs of neglect last year. A final decision regarding the winning bid will be made at the March meeting with the successful contractor starting in the new mowing season. It was heartening to see so many people at the church for the Christmas service, I only just managed to secure a seat and we thought we got there early! I hope that it raised some donations for the church which as we all know is going through a particularly difficult period. With the retirement in March of the Reverend Faulks this is going to be hugely challenging time for the church wardens and PCC with on-going repairs to the church wall and all the internal repairs necessary to ensure its future. The old adage 'Use it or lose it' has probably never been more relevant to Naseby church in its history.

Did you know though that the church bells were cast in the reign of Charles 1<sup>st</sup> in 1633. The Treble bell has three small medallions the first containing the Royal Arms of Charles 1<sup>st</sup> Inscribed *Auspice Regno* 'Reigns under the auspice of Christ, the second and third bell show King Charles 1<sup>st</sup> on horseback *inscribed Calorus Deo Gratia Magnae Britanniae Franciae et Hiberniae Rex*; Charles, by the grace of God King of Great Britain France and Ireland. The third Najaremus King of Jews, Son of God have mercy on me, with the fourth bell making a statement 'if you do not wish to come when I sound, you will never desire to go to prayers' and finally the Tenor bell rather depressingly 'it is appointed unto all once to die'

#### Naseby Church Restoration Fund Update



Raising money for All Saints Church, Naseby Parochial Church Council

An action packed 2012 included lots of fun events that appealed to different audiences, from the Barn Dance to the 70 mile bike ride, Open Gardens, Bridge Tournament, Ice Skating at Beckworth Emporium, Women Institute Soup lunch, carol singing, choir evening and, to round the year off, the sale of the delicious NCRF Christmas puddings.

As a newly-formed committee with the aim of raising enough funds to repair All Saints Church we were very encouraged to see people of all ages from the local community coming together to have fun, whilst supporting the restoration of our beautiful church. One person said "it's great to see the village come to life again".

The Naseby Church Restoration Fund has the target of £100,000 and we have made great progress towards this, with £25,500 in the kitty!

We have been working hard to pull together an events plan for 2013 with something for everyone: we plan to repeat many of our successful events from last year but with the aim of making them even bigger and better! We have also added a few new events to our calendar with the first event of this year being "The Naseby National - The Big Race Night" which will be on 6th April. Please keep your eyes open for the events calendar which will be out shortly, and do check out our Facebook page for more details (Naseby Church Restoration Fund). You may have seen lots of men with clipboards wondering around the church taking notes recently. These are the various builders who have been preparing quotes to submit to the Naseby Parochial Church Council for their consideration.

#### **NASEBY LADIES ROUNDERS**

With spring just around the corner the new Rounders season is fast approaching.

Naseby Ladies will be having their pre-season meeting at The Royal Oak on Wednesday 13th February at 7pm. New members are always welcome, players have to be over the age of 12 with no upper age limit!

We play in the Market Harborough League from May to August.

Practises will start again up at the playing fields as soon as weather permits.

If you require any further information please contact Cathy Hoyle 01604 740848 or Julie Westaway 01604 740885.

#### For Sale:

Wheelchair complete with cushion and blanket £80, 3 wheeled adjustable mobility walker. (as new) £50, wooden chair commode with tapestry seat £40, pink draylon foot stool £10, floral ladies walking stick £5

Tel: 01858 525633

They were cast by Hugh Watts of Leicester in 1633 sixteen years before the King was beheaded by parliament, interestingly and totally coincidental these inscriptions almost seem to prophecy his fate which was ultimately sealed in the fields of Naseby in 1645. This leads me neatly on to the Naseby Battlefield Project. Following negotiations with the Heritage Lottery fund, and other fund raisers it became clear that NBP were going to be unable to raise the necessary funds in which to purchase the land currently owned by some of the trustees of the project. No provision in lottery funding is made for the bid to include its purchase, and despite a great deal of effort another benefactor could not be found to assist. Combined with the HLF's advice that it did not favour funding 'new build' properties and the cost to NBP to fulfill a worthwhile bid without ownership of the land it was reluctantly decided to withdraw it. This has left the trustees with some very tough decisions to make regarding the future of the battlefield trail and finding a central point for tourists to visit and learn more about the battle. Interestingly, the HLF case officer stated that they are now focusing on bids that save any heritage/ listed buildings or existing properties in distress or in danger of falling into unsafe disrepair with proposals that make them more sustainable for the future.

Currently, the NBP is to hold two events this year. The first is advertised on page 19 which is a meet and greet at Sibbertoft reading rooms, where you can learn more about the battle and what the NBP are all about. The main event of the year is to be held in June at the village hall, hopefully in better weather this year. Along with the sealed knot reenacting phases of the battle there will be many craft stalls, talks from historians, war gamers, medieval societies, but this year there will be a bar, hog roast and band in the evening which everyone from the village is invited to attend. Advertising for this event will follow. There will be a small fee for the daytime events on the gate but this is to cover hire of the Hall and the Recreation ground for the weekend and supports the village hall so please don't think that you are

being charged to use your own recreation ground. Hopefully, we will also raise some money to fund the trail for another year. Even if you are not interested in the civil war the evening hog roast, bar and band will provide great entertainment. I can reassure everyone that all the re-enactors have been house trained and are well used to the 21<sup>st</sup> century so come and visit as it will certainly be a party with a twist. This is not a private event it is designed to increase awareness of the Battle of Naseby to the general public so please come along and support us as it helps to maintain the battlefield trail, Information boards and platforms it's a great family day out and a great way to keep the kids amused.

How many locals have walked around the battlefield trail? This is a very informative and picturesque trail with lots of permissive footpaths, viewing boards, and viewpoints in which to learn all about the battle. You can cycle, drive or walk and take the dog and kids too.

If you want to find out where it is go to http://www.naseby.com/battlefield-tour

What is Great Britains most important battle. The National Army museum are currently conducting an open poll to the Nation to vote online which battle is publicly deemed the most important in the history of our country. At the time of writing The Battle of Naseby currently lies fourth out of 20 nominees. If you agree and wish to raise Naseby's profile please vote online, this will help our public profile, support the village and all our local businesses by attracting more visitors to the area. It only takes a couple of minutes to create an account and cast your vote.

http://www.nam.ac.uk/exhibitions/online-exhibitions/britainsgreatest-battles Naseby Church of England Primary School fun filled Suitable for School age 6 - 8pm • Naseby Village Hall Questions to suit <u>all</u> ages & ability! SILLY GAMES! Touch & Feel challenges! **FUN TASTE TESTS!** Adults can provide their own drinks!;) Tuck Shop & Soft Drinks to buy Entry is just Tickets available from Naseby HQ and Stina Farrell (07970 945344) HELD BY THE NASEBY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION (NSA)





At this time of year when we are all eagerly looking for any signs of spring we can detect, it seems almost unkind of me to be writing about last Christmas when the days were dark and snow was about to bring us to a standstill.

However, that's the time this article should be about because that's when we had the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, and I was very kindly told time and again that it was third time right.

Thanks, therefore, to Will Miles for the Christmas tree and the Parish Council for paying for it. Jeff "Muddyhands" put it up and took it down without payment – he really is the expert at getting the chocks in place to keep it up, and it needs a lot of them. But the real triumph this year which

we all enjoyed so much were the much greater number of lights for which we are also indebted to the Parish Council.

The actual Ceremony was probably attended by more people than ever before, and my very grateful thanks go to the regular helpers who turned up so willingly and warmly included new people who also wanted to help.

I hope you have noticed the improved phone box. We have by law to have one in the village so it's nice to report that ours now has a new roof and back, works, and has instructions which you can read without a magnifying glass. You never know, someone might be glad of it one day. Now our thoughts really can turn to spring. I know the Parish Council are going to make a

careful note of where the grass is mown round the village, and that the church wall is going to be attended to now that a section of it has actually fallen down. Both these will make the village look much better.

I think the children's playground area will benefit from good work by Pride people in April, so watch for me as I come asking for help.

As usual, if you have jobs you think need doing, please get in touch on 743141.

All very best wishes for 2013, and let's hope we have better weather throughout the year.

Margaret



A most enjoyable and successful 2012 was rounded off with our annual Soup Lunch which was well attended by the village community. Members had worked extremely hard and were delighted to be able to give a handsome donation of £250 to the Naseby Church Restoration Fund.

In December, our speaker Marianne Parry delighted us with her beautiful handmade candles and decorations, heralding Christmas festivities to come.

The New Year, 2013, began with the usual party at the home of Pat Yates – members providing delicious food, drinks and friendship!Come February, our speaker Tim Williams will guide us through a lighthearted look at wills, Lasting Power of Attorney and inheritance issues.

'How can I keep from singing?' is the title of Natasha
Thompson's March talk which will include interactive singing (such fun – as Miranda's mother would say!)

Our speaker for April is to be Emma Bignall – 'Experiences both usual and unusual of a registrar'

Naseby WI is well known for its interesting outings-here is a taster-

May will see us visiting the National Herb Centre at Banbury followed by a walking tour of Oxford.

June takes us to the Neasden Hindu temple to be followed by an Indian lunch, then on to Harkness Roses in Hitchen.

Our annual theatre visit to Kilworth House on 26<sup>th</sup> June takes us well into what we all hope will be a wonderful summer.

Unless otherwise advertised, WI monthly meetings take place at Naseby Methodist Chapel on the second Thursday of the month at 7.30pm

Visitors are always made welcome.

#### Pat Yates



#### Get involved at the library!

The library is a vibrant community hub for everyone to use and enjoy, but it needs your help!

Did you know that lots of the community services above and beyond lending books rely on your support?

Our dedicated, selfless, and charming volunteers help to provide fun activities for families, local history clubs for research savvy bookworms, homework help for young people, business start up advice for aspiring entrepreneurs, rhyme time singing sessions for toddlers, job clubs for those on the hunt for a new career, and even help to keep the garden tidy.

If you could help your library too, then come on, get involved! Ask at your library or go to:

www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/getinvolved



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#### Saxon Spires Patient Participation Group

We are told that April 2013 will see the biggest changes in the NHS, since it was formed.

Do you know what they are and how they may affect you care? We have arranged two similar meetings in Guilsborough and Brixworth when:

DR SIMON TWIGG has kindly agreed to speak about

"THE LATEST CHANGES IN THE NHS"

The meetings are at 7.30PM on

TUESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2013 at GUILSBOROUGH SURGERY

WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2013 at BRIXWORTH SURGERY

Why not put the dates in your diary now and come along to and learn how the changes will affect us all. All patients of the Practice are very welcome.

To find out more about our group, contact SSPPG Secretary Barbara Hogg on 01604 880552 or email barbara.hogg@tiscali.co.uk

#### January 2013

Many thanks to community spirited Chris Bignall, Mel Hoyle and Cathy Hoyle and who worked hard clearing the snow from Nutcote and High Street and helping cars that were struggling to drive up the road.





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#### A MESSAGE FROM OUR LOCAL POLICE



I have now been the PCSO for the Naseby area since July 2012, following the retirement of PCSO Glyn Lewis, most of you will agree it is a vast area to Police. I work alongside PCSOs Jo Hillary, Natalie Halling, and PCs Lyndon Harris, Mark Osborn, Ross Owen & Singy Bagniuk. We are all based in the village of Brixworth and along with Sergeant Pat Anstead we make up your Safer Community Team.

I am pleased to announce that the Daventry and South Northants area is leading the way in Northamptonshire when it comes to reducing crime, making the area once of the safest places to live within the county.

A total of three crimes were recorded in the Naseby area in the last quarter of 2012, these were comprised of, one burglary to a dwelling house, one criminal damage to a vehicle, the other crime relates to a domestic incident.

Anti-social behaviour in Naseby is low, we were aware of a house party that caused a few issues but individuals have been spoken to by their parents and ourselves in relation to that matter we have seen a large reduction in the theft of metal, which was a particular concern to a largely rural and farming community, this is partly thanks to the introduction of the EMR cards, business who legitimately take scrap metal to the various dealers in the county have an account, the metal is weighed in and the money is credited to their account, rather then them being in receipt of cash in hand. Historically we have received some excellent intelligence from the community in relation to metal theft and this has also lead to some successful prosecutions. We ask you to continue your vigilance.

#### The Royal Oak

We have lots of things happening this spring at the Oak,

#### **Quiz night**

is the 1st Saturday of the month

#### **Beer festival**

Our 8th Beer Festival will be St Georges weekend Friday 19th April to Sunday 21st April. We have moved it back to this weekend as Easter falls early this year.

#### **Party In The Paddock**

Saturday 29th June 12pm till 11pm

This is going to be a great day for the whole family, over 8 bands playing on a outside stage with side attractions for all. Many people been affected by cancer or know some that has so this will be a ticket only event with all proceeds going to Macmillan and cancer research. Please help us raise as much money as possible. tickets will be on sale soon.



#### **Tea Room opening soon.**

We are very excited about opening our new tea room at Easter, which will be open from 10am selling a selection of Tea coffee and home made cakes.

#### Nicola

The Royal Oak, Naseby

#### Naseby HQ Opening Times

Weekdays: 7am-8pm

Sat: 7am-6pm

Sun: 9am—12pm

Email: henry@nasebyhq.co.uk

Tel: 01604 743577

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Our 2013 Talks and Walks programme commences at 7 -30pm at the Village Hall (Upstairs) on the Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March, with our membership renewal session. This will be followed by:-

"Naseby as I knew it -Part 1" an ex-resident of the village, will provide a very interesting talk on his past memories of the old way of life of the village, i nteresting village people, and significant events of the past decades.

The Talks programme will include return visits by William Walford, who gave an excellent talk on Henry Chichele of Higham Ferrers and Bill Davies whose real life experiences of being "On and Off the Footplate" was very well received. Our Walks programme will include a visit to Sibbertoft.

As things do change from time to time, please check on the Naseby Village website <a href="www.naseby.org">www.naseby.org</a>. We usually hold our Talks at the Village Hall at 8pm on the first Wednesday of the month. Our Walks usually commence between 6-30/7-30pm, all very informal and friendly.

Non-members can still simply pay at the door, if any event looks interesting.

Thank you for your interest Contact: Paul Kelly 01604 743778 PCSOs have now been given to extra powers is restorative justice, this is where those guilty of minor offences such as shoplifting (up to £100) and criminal damage (up to £300), can be dealt with by making the offender apologise to the victim and getting to the agree for reimbursement for the damage, this is an important step as it helps the Police Officers concentrate on larger crimes, and assists us in the resolution of antisocial behaviour related crimes. At the last Community Panel Meeting it was decided the anti social behaviour in Guilsborough should be a priority, this is following a number of incidents within the village, work continues to look at youth provision in a rural community. The next community panel meeting is held at the Clipston Bulls Head on 15th April 2013, at 7pm.

Anyone who is interested can look at a regular picture of crime in the area by logging onto the www.police.uk website and entering Naseby in the search field for relatively up to date crime mapping for the area. For those of you on twitter you can follow me @DayRuralNthSCT.

Should you wish to report a crime or incident, please use 999 or if it is a not an emergency contact us via the 101 number. Anyone who has any information about criminal activity in the area and wishes to remain anonymous can contact the charity crime stoppers on 0800 555 111.

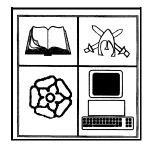
Regards,

PCSO C7115 Matt Taylor - Daventry Rural Safer Community Team



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Naseby CE Primary School School Lane, Naseby, Northamptonshire NN6 6BZ 01604 740540



#### **VACANCY**

#### for

#### **Teaching Assistant**

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Mrs Heydon (Bursar) or Sue Bradburn (Headteacher) at the school office

Headteacher—Mrs Sue Bradburn BSc Email head@naseby-ce.northants-ecl.gov.uk

### Age UK report February / March 2013

Well, as I write we are almost

into February, so hopefully Spring is around the corner. I am sure we are all looking forward to some better weather. Last week a concerned Naseby resident asked me if there was a back-up plan for older people in bad weather, especially in case Meals on Wheels services couldn't aet through. I had to admit that I wasn't sure if anyone received Meals on Wheels, or any similar service. I feel we live in a caring village, where neighbours look out for one another, and that most people have someone they can call upon if they need help. However if you ever feel vulnerable or frightened please let me know, or if you are aware of someone who doesn't get support, I would like to know. Please remember that I will only call on you if you invite me to, I wouldn't want to be a nuisance. Talking of nuisances, I'd like

to share with you some news

of a dreadful scam that



I heard about from a fellow W.I. member A person gets delivered a bouquet of flowers and a bottle of wine, but with no notification as to where they have come from. The Delivery man then asks for a small sum of money because alcohol is part of the gift, but he will only accept this payment with a credit card. Once he has swiped this information into his so-called credit card machine, he has the person's bank details and pin number, and money disappears from the person's account. I don't know about you, but if anyone sent me a gift, I would certainly not expect to pay a fee!!! I would like to take this opportunity to thank the kind people who have recently left yarn for our knitters on my doorstep. I don't always know who you are, but I really appreciate it. We are always in need of yarn. Thank-you

# Naseby Village Hall & Recreation Ground Management Committee

#### Naseby Village Hall – Recreation Ground Management Committee

#### Use It ......Don't Lose It

Your Village Hall and Grounds are easy to book, just check availability on the online booking calendar on the Naseby Village website <a href="www.naseby.org">www.naseby.org</a> and then please call **0844 5041905.** 

#### Please support the Village Hall 50/50 Club

The 50/50 club is our only fundraising activity. Thank you to all of our existing club members for their continued support for our village hall and grounds' activities. Our 2013 new membership process is again being managed by Julie Westaway, so if you would like to join, please contact her. The income received is really helping with the ongoing operational costs and the monthly draws give members an opportunity to win a cash prize.

#### **Sports-Courts**

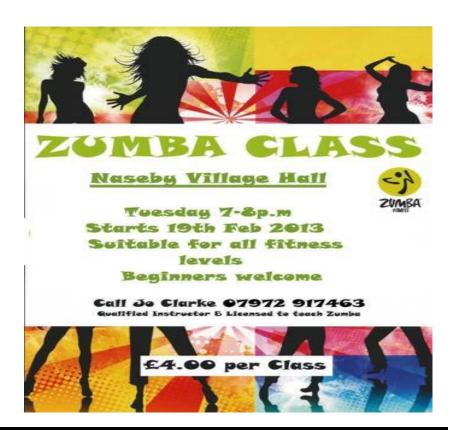
The all-weather, multi-sports court is available for booking Tennis, 5-aside Football, Hockey, and Netball sessions. In order to use the sports-courts on an individual basis or join any of the sports clubs, you must first be a member of the Naseby Sports Club. Membership is just £30 per family, per year or £10 for individuals. More information is provided at <a href="https://www.naseby.org/sportscourt">www.naseby.org/sportscourt</a>.

#### Hall and Grounds get a Refresh

Thanks go to Mel Hoyle for all of his re-painting and maintenance work during the winter months. In March the final phase of the Woodland Trust, native tree planting project will be completed. Despite the impact of the prolonged periods of bad weather on our outdoor bookings and indoor electricity costs, the management team has again been able to balance our 2012/13 annual outgoings/income.

#### **Have your Say**

The AGM will be held at 8pm, on the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2013, so why not come along and have your say. Our committee meetings are held monthly (on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday); all villagers are very welcome to join the management team, or to discuss any issues or new ideas for activities/clubs.



#### **Guilsborough News—GMADS DRAMA WITH A DRINK!**

Thank you to everyone who supported our panto 'Robin Hood'. We hope you all enjoyed it. GMADS are not having a spring production this year, but we invite you to join us for 2 self-contained evenings in **Guilsborough Village Hall of Drama with a drink.** Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February and Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7.45pm. These very informal get-togethers will give an opportunity to read scenes from various plays in a convivial atmosphere. Please join us or simply sit back and listen. **You will be very welcome. BYOB + glass**. Coffee and biscuits will be available. 01604 740900 for further details.

# "Goulden" Wedding Anniversary

Long-standing Naseby residents John and Wendy Gould celebrated 50 years of marriage on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2013.

They met in the late 50's when John worked as a farm labourer at Shuckburgh Farm along the Welford Road and Wendy was staying with her aunty Mary and uncle George Bromell at Mill hill farm, Sibbertoft Road.

They married in 1963 at All Saints Church, Naseby during one of the worst winters ever recorded. They had to dig out the church path and the snow was 6 ft deep, well above John's head! The church bells were ringing but shortly afterwards the bells that date back to the 17<sup>th</sup> century were to lay dormant for over 30 years due to the belief that the tower was unsafe. John worked on the farm until 11am on their wedding day, breaking the ice on troughs so as the cattle could drink, they were married at 12 noon and he went back to work at 3.30pm to make sure the animals were fed and watered. Their wedding reception was at the Wharf, Welford with 50 guests which Wendy's father paid £1 per head for the meal. Wendy was raised in Ludlow, Shropshire, the eldest of three children to Alec and Laura Northwood. John was born in Dudley, West Midlands and was the only son of Bill and Martha Gould. They moved to Naseby in 1952 as Bill's army Platoon trained at Haselbech during World War 2 and he loved the area. Always happy and cheerful, Bill and Martha were popular characters around the area.

# Naseby Battlefield Project Invite you to an OPEN DAY Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2013



Why not drop in and find out more about the battle.

Talk to members of the Sealed Knot and find out about the history they portray.

See artefacts found on the battlefield and handle replica armour.

Learn about the Naseby Battlefield Project and plans to build a battlefield centre.

Find out how you can help the project progress.

Refreshments available

Sibbertoft Reading Room LE16 9UF

10 am to 4 pm

## **Naseby Methodist**

#### Church continued

For our regular youth activities please see the list

below:

Mums and Tots: Every Thursday (term time) 2 pm-3.30 pm. Naseby Methodist Chapel Jaffa Infant Club: 2nd Tuesday each month (term time) 3.30 pm-4.45 pm.

Fusion Junior Youth Club: Last Wednesday of each month (during term time) 6 pm-7.15 pm.

Rock Solid Youth Club (school years 7 to 10): Last Wednesday of each month (term time) 7.30 pm-8.45 pm. Teen Spirit (secondary school age) activity and discussion group: Either 2nd or 3rd Monday of each month 7pm-8.45 pm. Greetings to all readers,

**Ruth Watson** 

**Defibrillator for the village** – research is currently being carried out by the Parish Council regarding the purchasing a defibrillator for the village and whether this is practical. Problems of where to house, the responsibility of training, the expense and the risk of vandalism suggest that one could outweigh the advantages.

As part of our research I am asking if anybody has any thoughts on this they would like to share or if anybody has suitable medical training to be able to operate a defibrillator.

Thank you

Joanna Gould (contact details on page 2)

Bill was a common sight around the village on his pushbike and gained a reputation for entertaining friends and family with his repertoire of stories and events from his life experiences in the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War. Bill was a very fit man and was still working as a painter and decorator well into his 70's.

Wendy and John raised only one child during their married life. Geoff, who married Jo in 1989, also at All Saints Church, they also live in Naseby and have 23 year old twin daughters, Cherise and Danielle.

John and Wendy are keen church goers, indeed, John has been in Naseby church Choir for 61 years and has the finest bass voice in the area. He has sung at countless weddings and concerts, as yet undiscovered by Simon Cowell!

Wendy was a teacher all her working life, starting at Guilsborough County School in its first year of opening when she was just 19 years old and the majority of students were young farmers. She went on to teach younger children at Swinford, Farndon Fields in Harborough and finished up at Welford School where she was Deputy head teacher.

Pillars of the community and regular church goers, they have gained many friends in the village and have been part of local community groups. John and Wendy have lived in several houses around the village during their 50 years of married life, (I think they're on their second lap now) starting in Manor Bungalows, originally built for prisoners of war. These unusual properties were demolished to make way for Hall Close.

Also known to friends in Austria, Wendy and John enjoyed skiing for 25 years until quite recently when they decided to hang up their skis for good.

May they continue, just the way they are, for a long time to come. Well done John and Wendy.

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#### **Geoff Gould**

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#### All Saints Church

All Saints is YOUR church—we welcome you with friends and family to all of our services.

#### Services:

March 3<sup>rd</sup> 9-30am KELMARSH.

\*March 10<sup>th</sup> 10am NASEBY (Family Holy Communion)

\*This will be Reverend David Faulks FINAL SERVICE in Naseby before his retirement.

ALL ARE WELCOME.

#### LATEST NEWS ON CHURCH RESTORATION APPEAL.

Having completed Stage 1 of the Restoration Project, we are now waiting for confirmation from English Heritage of their grant offer.

Unfortunately the cost of Stage 2 has risen by £13000 because of newly discovered damage to the Clerestory Windows. We have applied for an extra £9000 from English Heritage towards this and await their reply!

We do appreciate the help given by the village in the form of covenants, gift aid and donations. This has been extremely encouraging for the Church and the Fund Raising Committee.

More events are planned for this year, so we do hope you will continue to support us and have some family fun along the way.

We also hope to give the go-ahead for the work to start just as soon as we receive confirmation of the grant from English Heritage.

Avis Aldrich, Church Warden.

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### Naseby Methodist Church

Christmas has come and gone and all the usual festive activities went off without a hitch. A big thank you to all who either helped or supported any of these events.

We are pleased to report that we now have a development worker for children, young people and families, Sue Barker, employed by the Market Harborough Methodist Circuit. Sue began her employment at the beginning of the year and has been making her rounds, visiting all the various youth and children's activities at our chapel as well as the other Methodist churches in the circuit. We look forward to working with her in the future.

With Sue's help we hope to run another holiday club in the summer school holidays and the provisional date for this is 6th - 9th August. As I write, a new carpet or more accurately, carpet tiles, are currently being fitted at the chapel. The old carpet has served us well for the last 15 years and has seen lots of action and messy activities but has definitely seen better days. We hope this new addition to our premises will not restrict our wide range of activities in any way.

The popular Arts and crafts group continues to meet every Monday afternoon and anyone interested in any form of craft or hobby are encouraged to come along on Monday afternoon, 2 pm-4.30 pm. There are talks of starting an evening

Our regular services are 10.45 am. An evening praise service



(Naseby Praise) is held bi-monthly at 7 pm and on this Sunday there is no morning service. Our cafe style service. Soul Cafe, is held periodically at 10.15 am. The times of these alternative services will be displayed on the notice board during the appropriate week. We extend a warm welcome to all to any of our services. Our regular services are 10.45 am. An evening praise service (Naseby Praise) is held bi-monthly at 7 pm and on this Sunday there is no morning service. Our cafe style service, Soul Cafe, is held periodically at 10.15 am. The times of these alternative services will be displayed on the notice board during the appropriate week. We extend a warm welcome to all to any of our services.

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