



Ulgham Newsletter October 2023

Thank you to all households who have tidied their hedges and boundaries. The planters and baskets will soon be cleared to rest till Spring. Please come to the Ulgham Village Association meeting on Tuesday 3rd of October at 7pm in the WI Hall. Share in the activities and ideas for Ulgham!

The next event is Firework Night on the 5th of November at the Village Playing field. This is a lovely event for all. Soup, rolls, sweets and juice are served before a colourful Firework show! We need help to make soup, serve, steward, prepare and tidy when it's done!

If you can help in any way please contact Helen tel: 790170 or Lynne email: lynne.scott@hotmail.com

Thank you to everyone who got involved with the Scarecrow Weekend. It was good fun some great displays and even the weather didn't spoil it! The favourite voted for was 'Daylight Robbery' at No.2 Woodlands!!

Woodlands and Meadows

We are hoping to see a leap forward in the development of the Woodlands this winter as we are once again hoping to partner Northumberland Rivers Trust in carrying out improvements, they have offered to help with the Jubilee Oak clearing, new steppingstones and further work on the paths. In addition they will provide some seating and we would like to hear any thoughts on where you would like this to be. Do you have a favourite spot in the woodlands?

We are relieved that our work on the paths and drainage largely survived last months torrential rains and the little outbreak of vandalism hasn't left us with any lasting damage. If you want to help contact dparkin@btinternet.com or come along any Tuesday morning when we meet at the steps around 10:00am. If Tuesday is a not your preferred day why not contact David who could walk you round the woods and suggest things you could do in your own time at your own pace.

The Ball's in Your Court ...

We have an unused sports facility in the village that's looking a little tired and in need of attention. It's our tennis court located next to the cricket club at the far end of Ulgham playing fields. We share this court with Widdrington Station and Stobswood and it used to be a thriving tennis club where children had coaching lessons from a highly regarded coach living in Longhirst. Would you like to see this tennis court refurbished and residents utilising this facility again? Before we can begin to look at the viability of this, we need to check there is a need. Would you or other family members play on a refurbished court in Ulgham? Alternatively, would you like to be part of a Steering Group that helps to support this project and develop an action plan to take this forward? We'll be canvassing support via this newsletter and also by the Ulgham Village Together Facebook page so please look out for this soon.

In the meantime, please register your interest in either playing tennis in Ulgham and/or supporting the project by joining a Steering Group by contacting Julie Crocker via email at: juliecrocker@hotmail.co.uk or discuss with one of your local Parish Councillors before the deadline of 1st November 2023.

Would you like to support our village church?

St John the Baptist Church 100 club is £10 per number for one year. Your number will be entered in a draw every two months, and you can purchase as many numbers as you wish. Anyone over 16 years of age can participate. 50% of the income will be paid out in prize money during the year and 50% will go towards the upkeep of the church. Numbers paid for and allocated in November ready for the first draw in December. For more information please contact Pauline: 07752334052 or 790721
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