

Moon Shots and Wood Stain - A quick update on goings on of the Village Hall Committee

Committee Membership comings and goings

It's a fond farewell to one of our Parish Council representatives, Keith Howard, who has stepped down. Keith has been a great contributor to the committee, and was instrumental in rescuing the committee from near-zero membership a couple of years ago, and restoring it to the healthy state it's in now, so a big thank you to Keith (and for keeping me in line as chairman from time to time!).

Sally Bushel has kindly stepped forward to replace Keith from the Parish Council, and we were pleased to welcome Sally to her first meeting this month.

Another welcome addition is Mike Hope. Mike has taken the hall under his wing somewhat recently, very kindly, and expertly, doing a number of jobs: weeding, repairs to the porch, fixing the clock and the curtain tracks, amongst other things.

We look forward to working with Mike and Sally on the committee, so a big than you to them, as well of course to all the other members for their continuing time and efforts.

Village Hall Refurbishment and a Trip to the Moon.

Our application for funding is still in the pipeline, unfortunately a longer pipeline than we'd though - with missed and postponed meetings, the Board that will consider the bid won't do so until October. Mild finger-cramp from keeping them crossed.

In the meantime we're taking steps to help the damp dry out by fixing gutters and keeping them free of leaves and other debris which has previously caused them to overflow and soak into the walls.

Has anyone got any unwanted external wood stain and preservative unwanted in a shed or cupboard? If so we can put it to good use.

Also we'll be hoping to add to the refurbishment pot by means of our next not-to-be-missed quiz night on 16 September; see the ad elsewhere in this newsletter. Food will be provided but we're trying a bring your own drinks format this time, and concentrating our money making efforts on the raffle – first prize: an all-expenses paid trip to the moon! No, not really, but we'll do our best to rustle up some extra good prizes; if you've got any prizes you can contribute that'd be great; please let any of the Committee members have them. Let us know how you think this goes. And if you do happen to have a space rocket.....

Booking Contact Numbers

The vintage mobile 'phone we used to use for taking bookings (07907 841451) has finally given up the ghost; could you just use Ann MacDonald's other numbers 01954 719704 or mobile 077889 44792, **not** the old mobile number as it's no longer being answered.

Chris Rundell
Chairman