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Hello to all and we hope you have had a happy and healthy start to 2024!

2023 was a busy year for the social committee (details to follow in the AGM notes) and we hope to bring you many more opportunities to get together and celebrate as a village again this year.

Before we jump in though we wanted to mention that we are interested in any villagers that would like to **join the social committee**; either as full members or as occasional support when required around events.



We know there are several newcomers to the village and it would be really helpful for us to note down any volunteers for future reference.

All types of skills are very useful and welcome – cooking, donning a hi-vis jacket, coming up with ideas for games or BBQ manning to name but a few!

Please reach out to a committee member if you are interested – we are always happy to answer any questions.

AGM Re-cap – Tuesday 9th January



Our well attended Social Committee AGM was held at the beginning of the year in the Village Hall where we looked back on 2023 and discussed potential changes for 2024.

2023 was the first year since lockdown that we had a full season of events. Financially, it was reasonably successful and a donation of **£465 was made to the Church** following the Coronation Skittles and Pig Roast in May. We have also donated **£250 to the Village Hall**.

This was a more successful year financially however numbers were down at several events which is a bit concerning. It may be because there were too many events too close together - the Coronation Pig Roast in May, the Musical Soirée in June and then our Caribbean evening in July.

It could be the changing demographic in the village, the cost-of-living crisis or maybe we just need some **fresh ideas!** We would be pleased to hear from villagers on that score –

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anything within reason! On behalf of the Committee we would like to say a heartfelt **Thank You** to all those who so generously help with the catering at our events throughout the year. We couldn't do it without you. Thanks are also due to those who come forward to help with putting the marquee up and down - many hands make light work and it is very much appreciated.

The Chairman and Treasurer's Reports from the AGM will be posted in the Bus Shelter if anyone wishes to see further details.

Now onto our next events.....

Curry & Quiz – Saturday 17th February

And starting with one which seems to always be popular! The Curry and Quiz night is back – many tickets have already been requested so if you still do wish to attend, please reach out to a committee member or via the Whatsapp group asap!

Tickets are **£12 per person** which includes your supper. There will be a licensed bar (now taking cash and contactless payments) several delicious curries plus vegetarian and non-curry options.

Please arrive at **7pm** to settle and get a drink before the Quiz kicks off at **7.15pm!** Tickets will be delivered to attendees by the committee members shortly before the event.



Coffee Morning–Saturday 24th February

Jane Bridgland will be holding a Charity Coffee Morning at the Village Hall from 10.00am until 12.30pm. Proceeds in aid of the **Cystic Fibrosis Trust**. All are welcome.

Skittles Evening–Sunday 26th May

Please save the date for this relaxed, family friendly afternoon event where we will hopefully be able to enjoy some sundowners!

Details to follow but there will be a bar and potentially a BBQ if we can find a couple of volunteers to take on the BBQ operating! Get in touch if you're interested.

Summer Event – Saturday 13th July

Please add this date to your diaries (or Bredons' Norton Calendar!) for a summer evening get together. We are still at planning stages for this one – suggestions so far have been for a Summer Quiz, Film Night, 70s Disco or Bistro evening but as mentioned any ideas from our village community are always welcome!

Please do note as our objective is to raise funds to support our Church and Village Hall we would ask that you don't bring your own alcohol to our events. Thank you for your understanding.

Contacting you in 2024!

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