## **SPOT THE SHUTTLECOCK 7**



### Win £5! — 50p per go

The shuttlecock has been removed from this photo.

Mark with a cross where you think it is\* - you can have as many tries as you like for 50p per try. Seal your form and coins in an envelope (remembering to fill in the details below) and put it through the door of 54 Freebrough Road (Janice Lofthouse).

Entries must be in by Tuesday September 16th.

Name Phone .....

Address

Number of entries ...... at 50p each = £..... (enclosed)

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\*The shuttlecock position has been determined by an independent panel of badminton players, using their skill and judgement. The winner will be the entrant whose cross most closely matches the centre of that position

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# Newsletter

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#### Planning Application Made

A planning application for the renewed Hall has been submitted to Belmont House. More details on Page 2.

#### The Funds Grow

What a magnificent few weeks! Since the last Newsletter there's been the Badminton Group's Strawberry Tea at South Lane Farm (which raised £176), and a wonderful evening in the Hall with the **Dalesmen Singers**, organised by the Church and Chapel. This raised £740, and not only did the audience enjoy it, but the Singers themselves have asked to be allowed to come again! (Was this because the food was so good?)

Then there was the Healthy Living Fair, which was very well supported, and gave us the sight of some most unexpected people (no names!) submitting to relaxation massages and other holistic treatments. More important, it raised £462 for the Renewal Fund. Grateful thanks to the organisers of all these events.

Most recently, the Italian Pizza Night at Wren's Nest was a great success, with Moorsholm's very own outdoor wood-fired pizza oven enticing many hardy folk to sit out on a damp and windy night, eating fresh Italian food. It boosted the funds by a magnificent £677, and sincere thanks go to the Powell family for their efforts. Apparently, from now on if there's an Italian flag draped over the gate, the oven is fired up — order your pizza from Tricia, and any profits will be donated to the Renewal Fund.

### Over to the Planners

The architects have now submitted a Planning Application on our behalf to Redcar & Cleveland BC, based on the drawings of the new Hall that Geoff Stephenson showed at the open meeting in May. This may seem strange when we have no idea if we can afford to build it, but it's a chicken-&-egg situation — we can't look for grant funding without being able to tick the 'Have you got Planning Permission?' box. Likewise, there's little point in the designers spending time and money doing a detailed costing if the planners are likely to amend the project or throw it out. So now we wait and see what the Planning Committee say — the Target Decision Date is October 2nd.

You can see the application details online — go to www.redcar-cleveland.gov.uk and click on the 'Planning' tab. In the drop-down menu select 'Planning Permission', then 'Search for a planning application'. Type 'Moorsholm' into the search box, and it will appear. Alternatively, you can visit Belmont House in Guisborough.

There have been one or two very slight amendments to what was shown in May, as the first draft has been tweaked to fit onto the site, but those who've seen the submission agree that the proposals would give us a renewed Memorial Hall that Moorsholm can be very proud of - let's just hope that we can keep the momentum going and achieve it.

#### Geoff Stephenson

Many of you met Geoff at the May meeting, as he did much of the early work of designing the basic layout of the Hall. He has now moved on from Browne, Smith & Baker, and our project is now being overseen by their Design Director, Malcolm Robinson. Welcome, Malcolm, and many thanks to Geoff.

The Thermometer on the front cover is looking full again — don't be misled, because we still have a very long way to go financially, and it will be adjusted for the next Newsletter. We have also had outgoings for the planning application and various associated surveys. But the fact remains that Moorsholm Village has raised around £10,000 since last November — well done, everyone!

#### Date for your diary

The following event is being held to raise money for the Renewal Fund: Monday October 27th — Fashion Show Mana details form Shown (60000) on Frid MaCaba (60000)

More details from Sheena Hamilton (660898) or Enid McCabe (660808)

In the July draw, the first prize (of £25) went to Kate Hillyard, with Peter Dowey and Colin Boocock taking home £15 and £10 respectively. August's winners were Peter Smith, Ken Gillance and Ralph Pearse. Congratulations to you all, and thanks for supporting us. The next draw will be September 22nd.



#### Spot The Shuttlecock 6

Brenda Watson appears to be a master at finding the elusive shuttlecock, winning the  $\pm 5$  prize for the second time.

Mind you, she seems to be on a winning streak, having done well in the Young Farmers' Bingo and Raffle, the Pizza Evening Raffle and a WI Raffle. Keep buying the Lottery tickets, Brenda!

#### Calor Village of the Year Competition

Once again, Moorsholm's community spirit has been acknowledged in the regional section of the annual Calor Gas-sponsored awards. This year the judges have given the village a special award for 'Arts in the Community' — a direct tribute to the magnificent series of MoorsholmLIVE concerts.

Congratulations — the Award will be presented on October 1st in Eaglescliffe, and MoorsholmLIVE have also been invited to give a special presentation to the inaugural meeting of the Tees Valley Village Hall Network, as an example of what can be achieved with a little bit of imagination (and a lot of effort!)

#### Other Hall Events

The dates have now been fixed for the regular events that support the general running costs of the Hall. They are:

#### Saturday August 30th — Moorsholm Show

By now your schedule should have been delivered. For further copies, contact Graeme Aldous (660515)

Friday December 5th — Christmas Dinner

The third annual event is the **Garden Party and Barbecue at The Forge**, which this year raised a record £1182.50. Thanks to everyone who helped and supported this traditional village 'day out', but special thanks (of course) to Lily and Ray Richardson for making it all happen.