



# SCAN

Stocksfield Community  
Association News

**October 2025**



**Stocksfield Community Association**  
Mount View Terrace, Stocksfield, NE43 7HL  
Patron: Rt. Hon. Viscount Allendale  
Charity No. 1139996

### **Contact Details**

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**www.northumberlandvillagehalls.org.uk/stocksfield-**  
**community-centre**

**Facebook: Stocksfield Community Association**  
**(also known as SICA)**

### **Office Opening Hours.**

The office opening hours are flexible. If you would like to visit the office in person, please make contact via phone call or email (see above) to arrange a convenient time.

**The office will be open every:**  
**Thursday from 9.00am –12noon**  
**Friday from 9:00am - 11:00am**

#### Officials

Chair	Mrs B Braysher
Vice-Chair	Mrs J Harrison
Minutes Secretary	Mrs K Kirkland
Treasurer	Mr P Westbury (Acting)
Honorary Vice President	Mrs B Bouch



## **Stocksfield Annual Quiz at:**

**Stocksfield Community Centre.  
NE43 7HL**

**Friday October 10th**

7:00pm for 7:30pm Start.



Teams of up to 6 people.

Or just come along on the night and we will find a team for you.

Entry fee £5 per person please pay on the night.

Please bring your own drinks and snacks.

For further information contact

Tel: 07900 120368

## September Board Meeting

During August, Stocksfield Community Centre was reassessed for Hallmarks 1 and 2. Hallmark is the quality assurance standard for village halls across the country. The manager and two of the trustees met with Tracey Morgan, the community development officer from Community Action Northumberland, and a volunteer from another village hall, for the assessment. Hallmark 1 covers administration, which includes governance, finance and maintenance. Hallmark 2 covers these in more depth, with emphasis on health and safety and protection of staff, volunteers and users. I am pleased to report that we have once again surpassed the requirements, and the new certificates will soon be displayed on the noticeboard next to the office. We will be reassessed for Hallmark 3 in 2026.

The Chairwoman reported that the Tea and Cakes stall at Stocksfield Festival was very successful. Thanks to valuable contributions of cake and time by trustees and volunteers, nearly £350 was taken, producing a profit of £285.99 after deducting the cost of disposable cups, lids and cake bags. The remainder of these will be available for use in future, and useful funds have been raised to support the Community Centre.

The work to convert our battery storage to operate on a 3-phase supply took place during the first week in August. This involved replacing the 2 single-phase AC inverters with a 3-phase inverter and thereby directly connecting the 32 PV panels on the roof directly to the storage batteries. All circuits in the building can now use solar generated energy, and the batteries charge very quickly. The infrared heaters were installed the following week, and we will mainly be using these to heat the main hall in future. We are very pleased that both these jobs were able to be completed whilst the building was quiet. Any further work needed on these systems should not cause any disruption to users. Stocksfield Community Association paid for some of this work, but the majority of the costs were funded by grants from Northumberland County Council's Community Chest and from Point North, with a smaller contribution from Stocksfield Parish Council. We are grateful to these organisations for their support.

The Board discussed the possibility of improving the signage for the Community Centre. Currently the only signage is on the small external noticeboard, which is unsurprisingly not always seen by new users and visitors.

The manager reported that we have several new groups making regular room bookings from September.

There are also a number of weekend bookings for children's parties.

## STOCKSFIELD SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLUB

**If you enjoy dancing The Eightsome Reel, Dashing White Sergeant why not try some more try advanced dances of this type.**

**Every Tuesday night From February to December 7.30 until 9.30 ish  
Beginners class 6.30 to 7.30**

**The Baptist Church, Main Road, Stocksfeld**

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**Contact: Rosemary Newton; Tel. 01661 843163; newtons39@gmail.com  
Marion Brown: Tel. 07552 636656**



**STOCKSFIELD LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY**

### 2025 PROGRAMME

- |    |          |                                                          |
|----|----------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 8  | October  | David Hastings<br>2024 - A year to remember for the RNLI |
| 12 | November | AGM followed by<br>DVD of 'Bywell Flower Show 1989'      |

***Dec – no meeting***



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## **Stocksfield Methodist Church**

Mount View Terrace, New Ridley, Stocksfield NE43 7HL

Stocksfield Methodist Church holds monthly Charity Coffee mornings, usually trying to raise funds for local projects and voluntary groups.

They are held on the first Saturday of each month, and a warm welcome is given to all.

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## Hexham Textile and Stitch

We are a friendly group of stitchers who meet at the Torch Centre in Hexham on the second Saturday of each month, from 1.00pm-4.00pm.

We have speakers and workshops, and there is always someone willing to help you with any problems you might have.

You will be surprised at what we use in embroidery these days to get the desired effects, such as heat guns and soldering irons, but we still do the traditional stitching as well.

No experience needed, just a desire to learn.

Contact Jessie Reisner on 01661 843136 or Rosemary Newton on 01661 843163, or just come along.

### Stocksfield Parish Council Notes

Members of the public are warmly invited to attend Parish Council meetings and are always given an opportunity at the beginning of the meeting to speak about things that matter to them.

**PARISH COUNCIL PHONE: 01661 844667**

**Website: [www.stocksfield-pc.gov.uk](http://www.stocksfield-pc.gov.uk)**

**Email: [clerk@stocksfield-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@stocksfield-pc.gov.uk)**

The image shows a person using a carpet cleaning machine on a carpet. The machine is blue and white, and the person is wearing dark trousers. The background is a light blue color. The logo for IR Cleaning Services is overlaid on the image. The logo consists of the letters 'iR' in a stylized font, with the 'i' being lowercase and the 'R' being uppercase. To the right of the 'iR' is the text 'Cleaning Services' in a bold, sans-serif font. Below the logo is a dark blue banner with the text 'IR Cleaning services making a clean home easy' in a white, italicized font.

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## Wellness Therapeutics Physiotherapy, St Matthew's

### Wellness Centre Prudhoe

A centre providing Physiotherapy, Beauty and Massage Therapy and a wide range of classes such as: Yoga, Pilates, Baby and Toddler Yoga, Men's Pilates, Sound Baths and Wellbeing workshops.

For up to date information go to: [www.stmattswellness.co.uk](http://www.stmattswellness.co.uk) or our Facebook and Instagram pages: St Matthew's Wellness Centre

For physio call 07947444179 or email [kelly@wellnesstherapeutics.co.uk](mailto:kelly@wellnesstherapeutics.co.uk)



## Stocksfield Wellbeing Walks

Why not come and join us for a short walk on Monday mornings?

We are a small group of friendly people who meet in the Cricket Club car park every Monday at 10.00am and walk for about an hour (at the most an hour and a half, on mainly flat, easy ground). At the end of the walk we usually go to Stocksfield Cricket Club for tea/coffee and a chat. The walks are free and are led by trained volunteers, supported by The Ramblers Association.

**We'd love to see you so do come along with suitable footwear.**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location of walk</b>	<b>Grade</b>
Oct 6	Merryshields to Riverside	2
Oct 13	Corbridge Kilns	2
Oct 20	Broomley Village to Woods	2
Oct 27	Ovington	2
Nov 3	Fords	1-2



## Friendly Fridays

Friendly Fridays are now meeting at Café 7nn in Stocksfield Cricket Club from 10.30am until noon every Friday.

All you need to do is turn up and be sure of a warm welcome, delicious tea or coffee and other tempting goodies!

Come along and catch up with friends or meet someone new- hope to see you there.

Tel. Melna 844040 or Edna 843081  
if you want to know more.



# STOCKSFIELD PLANTS AND GARDENS SOCIETY

## Autumn/Winter Programme

Engaging and entertaining talks from a variety of locally and nationally renowned speakers.

Tuesday October 21st

**Bob Paton CBE:**

The Growing Journey of Hexhamshire Organics

Tuesday November 18th

**Dave Tinsley:**

Winter Pruning – what to prune in the coming months.

*Note:-* the AGM will take place prior to speaker.

Paperwork will be emailed to all members prior to the evening.

Tuesday December 9th

**Growers' Question Time:**

A relaxed and informal evening with a chance to ask questions from a panel of local experts.

Festive nibbles and tipples available.

All meetings start at **7:30pm** at Stocksfield Community Centre

Details of all our activities can be found on our website

[www.stocksfieldplantsandgardens.com](http://www.stocksfieldplantsandgardens.com)

or you can follow us on fb.

Email [stocksfieldpg@gmail.com](mailto:stocksfieldpg@gmail.com)



## **STOCKSFIELD TUESDAY CLUB**

**Meets every Tuesday at the Community Centre from**

**10.00 am until 2.00 pm.**

Our friendly group enjoys a variety of social activities, including carpet bowls in the main hall, or just come along for a chat with friends over coffee / tea and / or lunch.

A hot, freshly cooked midday meal is served at a cost of just £6 and meals can be delivered to your home at no extra cost.

**All are welcome and that really does mean everyone!**

If you want more information or would like to book a meal then contact Christine Hooks on 01661 844863

Meals must be booked in advance by the day before.

### **October Menu**

7 October 2025	Sausage casserole	Eve's pudding
14 October 2025	Savoury mince	Fruit crumble & custard
21 October 2025	Pork casserole	Rice pudding
28 October 2025	Cheese & onion pie	Ginger sponge & custard

Stocksfield Tuesday Club is always looking for volunteers to join our friendly team – you would only need to be 'on' once each month.

## **Stocksfield Baptist Church**

Contact Details

**Minister: Rev. Aileen Innes**

**Email:**

[enquiries@stocksfieldbaptistchurch.net](mailto:enquiries@stocksfieldbaptistchurch.net)

Services at 10 am on Sundays; all are welcome

Stay & Play for toddlers and carers, Tuesdays 10 - 11:30am

### **Dates for your diaries:**

Stocksfield Community Association Annual Quiz 7.30pm

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October

Please come along if you can; there are more details in this edition of SCAN

### **STOCKSFIELD QUAKER MEETING**

**Now meeting in person but observing COVID guidelines  
Further information from Caroline Westgate, telephone:**

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We are a friendly organisation offering day-time meetings for talks, coffee mornings, and a wide variety of interest groups from Art Appreciation to Walking. Our principle is enjoying shared learning, with everyone contributing. For further information please visit [u3asites.org.uk/prudhoe](http://u3asites.org.uk/prudhoe)

Place: Prudhoe Parish Hall/other local venues

Organiser: Felicity  
email:

[chairmanprudhoeu3a@yahoo.com](mailto:chairmanprudhoeu3a@yahoo.com)

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**Aerobics & Pilates Classes at Stocksfield Community Centre**  
**Contact Mary Huggins on 07775 916013**

**Low Impact Aerobics/Body Toning– Legs, Bums & Tums**  
**Monday Evenings at 6.30– 7.45pm**

**Step Aerobics (All Levels)**  
**Tuesday Evenings at 6– 7pm**

**Pilates using Stability Balls (Balls provided)**  
**Thursday evenings at 6.30– 7.45pm**

**Low Impact Aerobics (bums & tums)**  
**Friday mornings at 9.30– 10.00am**  
**Pilates using Stability Balls**  
**Friday mornings at 10– 10.45am**

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## Learn Painting and Drawing in Stocksfield

Suitable for beginners and experienced artists alike.

**Dates:** Classes start on Wed evenings 7-9pm from 10 September 2025 and Thursday mornings 10-12 from 11 September 2025.

**Venue:** Stocksfield Community Association (SICA), NE43 7HL

Learn to paint, draw and enjoy creating your own artwork. Choose between Thursday morning and Wednesday evening sessions, or come to both.

**Cost:** 10 week pass £150.00

5 week pass £75

Drop-in £20

For further information and to book a place contact:  
Niki Black: [nikihblack@gmail.com](mailto:nikihblack@gmail.com)  
or scan QR code

**Your teacher:** Niki Black is an experienced freelance artist and art tutor. Based in Stocksfield, Northumberland, Niki works in inks, watercolour and acrylic, drawing inspiration from both local environment and work and travel overseas.



**Annual Charities Christmas Card  
and Gifts Sale**

**at**

**Stocksfield Community Centre**

**on**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

**from 10am -12 noon**

**Come along and buy your Christmas cards,  
2026 diaries, calendars and other merchandise  
from national and local charities.**

**Refreshments served.**





## **Stocksfield Retired Men's Association**

Meetings on Thursdays in the hall of Stocksfield Baptist Church (rear hall)

Refreshments from 9:30, talks at 10:30am  
Open to all (semi) retired men and their guests  
(male and female) Attendance fee £3

**2 October Jim Wardle:  
50 years of village drama**

**16 October, Gordon Port:  
The plight of the bumblebee and other pollinators**

Contact: [stocksfieldretiredmen@gmail.com](mailto:stocksfieldretiredmen@gmail.com)

**Parish churches of St Peter's Bywell,  
St George's Mickley and St John's, Stocksfield**

For info & enquiries, please Email: [stocksfieldchurchofengland@gmail.com](mailto:stocksfieldchurchofengland@gmail.com) or ring our church wardens: Bywell -Mrs Jessie Reisner (01661 843136), Mickley -Mrs Joy Marshall (01661 842418).

### **What does the Community Association do?**

- ◆ It provides local residents with the opportunity and facilities to enjoy a wide range of leisure, recreational and educational facilities.
- ◆ It produces this monthly magazine to keep members informed about activities at the Community Centre and elsewhere in the parish.
- ◆ It hires out rooms.
- ◆ It maintains close links with the Parish and County Councils.
- ◆ It is affiliated to Community Action Northumberland and a member of the West Northumberland Community Building Consortium.

**Please contact the Community Centre Office if you are interested in becoming involved in any way with your community association.  
(07900 120368)**

## **Stocksfield Community Association**

Stocksfield Community Centre is owned and managed by Stocksfield Community Association which is a charitable incorporated organisation. The day to day running of the Community Centre is carried out by the Community Centre Manager whilst the trustees of the Community Association oversee building maintenance, finance, communication, new projects and staffing matters. The trustees are elected by members of the Association at Annual General Meetings at which all members of the Association are both eligible to vote and stand for election.

### **Types of Membership and Subscriptions 2025**

<b>Individual</b>	<b>£ 10.00</b>	<b>Couple</b>	<b>£13.00</b>
<b>Over 60 &amp; under 25</b>	<b>£ 7.00</b>	<b>Over 60 &amp; under 25</b>	<b>£12.00</b>
<b>Family</b>	<b>£13.00</b>		

**(Family membership includes all children under 18)**

### **Room Hire**

Various rooms, the main hall and the kitchen are available for hire to members and to the general public for community-based activities, including weddings, private parties, children's parties, etc.

Whenever you consider staging an event at the Centre, please contact the Community Centre Manager as soon as possible in order to place your booking and discuss arrangements. The Community Centre Manager will advise you on any licensing or other legal requirements. As these can take some time to arrange, please make bookings well in advance.

**For anyone holding a private event at home  
Tables and chairs are available for hire from the Centre.**

**Remember the Community Centre is there for you -  
please make use of it.**

## What's on at Stocksfield Community Centre

### Monday

10:00am– 12:00pm	Artventurers
2.00pm - 3:30pm	Badminton
6.00pm -7.00pm	Puppy School
6:30pm - 7:45pm	Low impact Aerobics Body toning

### Tuesday

9.30am -11.30am	Computer Club
10.30am -2.00pm	Tuesday Club
6.00pm -7.00pm	Step Class - all levels

### Wednesday

5.45pm-7:45pm	Puppy School
7:00pm– 9:00pm	Painting and Drawing

### Thursday

10:00am-12:00pm	Painting and Drawing
10:00am– 12:00pm	Kalma life
6.30pm -7.45pm	Pilates using Stability Balls
7.00pm-9.00pm	Bridge
8.00pm - 9.30pm	Badminton

### Friday

9.30am -10.45am	Low impact aerobics (legs, bums & tums!)
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## **Stocksfield Community Association**

### **Affiliated Members**

Stocksfield Tuesday Club  
Stocksfield Players  
Plants and Gardens

Additional information about Affiliations (contacts and activities) can be obtained from the Centre notice board, website or the Community Centre Manager.

**To advertise in SCAN**  
**(prices from April 2025 to March 2026)**

**Annual (10 issues) 1/6 page £60, 1/3 page £120 , 1/2 page £150**  
**Single advert: 1/6 page £10, 1/3 page £20, 1/2 page £25**  
**Note that publicity for Stocksfield groups and events is free of charge.**

As well as the printing of your advert in 10 issues, you will also receive a free electronic version of the magazine.

You will also receive single membership of the community centre.

The person named on the email will be the person who is named on the membership.

Should you wish to name a different person, please do let us know.

Membership will give you the benefit of a 25% discount on any private booking (such as a children's party or other event).

Should you wish to opt out of membership, you can email us to let us know.

Should you wish to also receive a physical paper copy of SCAN, there will be a further small charge which is the same as the membership fee published in the magazine and will cover all 10 issues.