

Knapton News

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A New Year and A New Beginning For Knapton News

As many of you will be aware, Stephen and I have sold White Rose House (fingers crossed, as this goes to press we have yet to exchange contracts!). We will sadly be leaving Knapton at the end of January, although we do not plan to move far away.

This, of course, raises the question of what happens to Knapton News?

At the moment, I collect the news, edit each edition, and print and collate the copies. I have now been doing this for almost six years (yes, it really is that long!), and I must admit it is hard work and quite time consuming.

I am willing to have a go at being editor from a distance, but will have to find ways to make this work. I have therefore looked at sharing out the tasks to make each less onerous. Courtesy of our kind sponsors, we are trialing having this edition professionally printed rather than using my long-suffering home inkjet printer. If this is successful, I could email each edition directly to the printers, which would resolve the printing problem.



Of course, because I will no longer be living in Knapton, I will need 'roving reporters' to let me have the news! Would you be willing to be one of my reporters? If so, please let me know as soon as possible.

As we will be moving house at the end of January, it will not be feasible to write a February/March edition. However, I will circulate the next Knapton News in mid March, to cover anything happening over the Easter period.

With very best wishes to you all for a happy and healthy Christmas and grateful thanks for your friendship during the six years we have lived in the village.

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Norfolk County Council's £100,000 winter warmer for older people

Norfolk County Council has agreed to hand the cash to Age UK Norfolk for the charity's Warm Winter Fund.

The one-off grant, which comes from a forecast under-spend on the County Hall budget, will be used by Age UK Norfolk to offer small grants of between £100 to £200 to older people struggling to pay fuel bills. It will also help pay for further work to look at the underlying need for such support as heating bills continue to rise.

County Council Leader Derrick Murphy said: "This is one way in which some of Norfolk's most vulnerable residents can directly benefit from the sound management of the council's finances and our continued determination to drive down costs.

"The winter can be a real struggle for people trying to get by on a pension. With heating costs rising year on year, it is harder than ever for older people to keep warm. For some the stark choice is between heating properly or eating properly. This grant to Age UK Norfolk complements the county council's Warm Winter campaign and will allow many more older people to receive help. I hope that this will take away some of their worries about the cold months ahead."

Linda Gill, information and advice development manager at Age UK Norfolk, said the boost had come out of the blue. She said: "I couldn't be more delighted. This amount of money will make a real difference to older people in fuel poverty or fuel debt. It's tremendous news."

The Norfolk Community Foundation, backed by the EDP and sister paper the Norwich Evening News, has launched a Surviving Winter campaign - designed to help elderly and vulnerable people get through the cold spell. Last year's Surviving Winter appeal raised £55,000 in Norfolk, doubling its original target, meaning grants could be made to 239 households.

Age UK Norfolk has already started receiving calls from people who wish to apply for help this year. Surviving Winter co-ordinator Jasmine Toombs said: "Everyone I've spoken to has said they're worried, fuel prices are going up and it's a lot out of their pension."

Important phone numbers if you need help with your heating bills this winter.

To apply for help from the Surviving Winter Fund, call Age UK Norfolk on 01603 787111.

To apply for assistance from the Warm and Well Fund, call the Norfolk Community Foundation on 01603 623958.





Pudsey Bear Comes to Knapton!



On Friday 7 November, the Knapton Coffee Club produced a fantastic spread of delicious goodies, washed down by copious cups of tea and coffee - all to raise money for Pudsey Bear and the Children in Need campaign.

Approximately £240 was raised (final total to be announced later). An amazing amount, which was more than double last year's total.

Very many thanks to Sally and Norman Dodd, Lorraine Shakespeare and everyone who contributed to this lovely, happy coffee morning.



Knapton Village

Website

www.knapton-village.co.uk



Knapton Women's Own Donate £800 to St Martin's Housing Trust

The Knapton Women's Own Committee would like to offer our heartfelt thanks to our members and all our friends who supported us by attending this year's Strawberry Tea. Through raffles, collections and fundraising we have managed to donate a staggering £800 to our chosen charity this year - St Martin's Housing Trust.

For those of you who are not familiar with St Martin's Housing Trust, below is a little information about this very worthwhile charity:

St Martin's Housing Trust Mission Statement

St Martins Housing Trust strives to address the needs of homeless people in Norwich. They offer emergency direct access accommodation, residential care, support and development to enable everyone to achieve their full potential and a greater level of independence.

How it all began...

St Martins Housing Trust started life as the Norwich Night Shelter Project. The original Night Shelter at St James Church on Barrack Street opened in 1972 in response to the growing problem of homelessness in Norwich. In spite of the very basic amenities, the Night Shelter was in ever increasing demand, and within a few years new premises were needed to cope with the swelling number of Night Shelter users. In 1976, the Shelter relocated to St Martin at Oak, a redundant church on Oak Street. From this point on the Trust developed a wide range of complementary services that responded to the needs and expectations of homeless people. In April 2002 the Night Shelter was replaced by a new, purpose-built Direct Access and Resettlement Hostel (Bishopbridge House) at Gas Hill, off Riverside Road, Norwich.

PLEASE HELP TO DECORATE THE CHRISTMAS TREE

There will be a Christmas tree in St Peter and Paul's Church again this year. Thank you so much to those of you who generously contributed decorations last year. We would be grateful for more decorations this year, either bought or home made. We would particularly like any decorations made by the children and grandchildren from the village

Please leave your contributions in the box in the church porch before Wednesday 12th December. If you would like to help decorate the tree, please phone Sarah Hammond on 01692 402242

Many thanks,
Sarah Hammond





Christmas at St Peter & St Paul's Church

The Christmas Services for St Peter and St Paul's Church, Knapton are as follows.

Sunday 23 rd December 6.30 p.m.	Village Carol Service by Candle Light.
Tuesday 25 th December 10:00 am	Christmas Day Service of Holy Communion
Sunday 30 th December	No Service
Sunday 6 th January 10:00 a.m.	Methodist Church Covenant Service joined by St Peter and St Paul's congregation.
Sunday 13 th January 9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer
Services return to normal	
Advance Notice	
Sunday 10 th March 10:00 am	Mothering Sunday Service at St Peter & St Paul, combined Service with Methodist Church

Vi Haynes will be decorating the Church during the week preceding the Carol Service, if you would like to help or have flowers etc to offer please ring Vi on 720040.

Donations of a box of mince pies would be most acceptable for the Carol Service. You can bring them before the service or ring me on 722271. Thank you.

With Best Wishes from us all for a Very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Liz Winter
Church Warden



Village Carol Service by Candlelight
St Peter & St Paul's Church, Knapton
6:30 p.m., Sunday 23 December


Carol Service by Candlelight
Singing led by Knapton Ladies Singing Group
Followed by mulled wine & mince pies

Everyone very welcome!



How did you spend August?



 Grand Masters Hockey World Cup Oxford, 2012

I spent the middle two weeks of August taking part in the Grand Masters Hockey World Cup, held at the Oxford Hawks Ground in Oxford.

Grand Masters Hockey covers three age groups;
Over 60 (Grand Masters)
Over 65 (Great Grand Masters)
Over 70 (Senior Grand Masters)

Forty teams took part from ten countries, including South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and Japan, as well as the main European countries. Over 1,000 players took part with the eldest from Japan aged 86.

In addition to the World Cup, a second competition was held, called The Tournament Trophy. England had teams in both competitions.

I played for England LX in the over 70 (Senior Grand Masters) in The Tournament Trophy. In our group were Southern Cross from Australia, Northern Stars from Scotland and an Alliance Multinational side. We played six games in ten days, finishing second to Southern Cross (Australia). I came back with a Silver Medal.

This was my first International for England - not

bad for a 72 year old - and I have only been playing for 55 years!!!

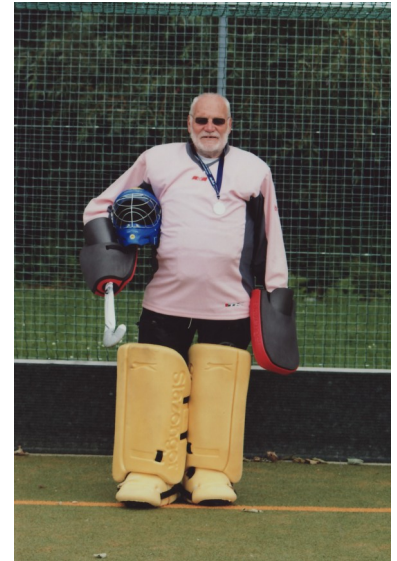
The LX England Club was founded in 1995, with the object of providing players over the age of 60 with the opportunity to play competitive hockey against teams of a similar age, both in the UK and around the world.

In 2013 there is a tournament in Barcelona and in January there is a team travelling to New Zealand. The Grand Masters Hockey World Cup is being held in The Hague, Holland in 2014.

The motto of the LX Club:

Chasing tomorrow's horizons with yesterday's legs

Chris Wildee



How wonderful that one of our neighbours should have been so successful in such a major tournament.

I'm sure you will all wish to join me in congratulating Chris on this superb achievement. Tricia (Editor)



*A very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
to all of our neighbours from everyone at the
Bacton Gas Terminal Complex*

2013 Calendar

A free copy of the new calendar produced by the Bacton Gas Terminals is now available, and should have been delivered to you with this edition of Knapton News. If you did not receive a copy, please contact Tricia on 721855.

Over 60's Lunches

The Sutton Staithe Hotel will once again be the venue for the lunches hosted by Eni, Interconnector, Perenco, Shell and BBL.

The dates in January 2013 are Tuesday 22nd for Walcott residents, Wednesday 23rd for Bacton and **Thursday 26th for Knapton**, Edingthorpe, Paston, Ridlington and Witton.

Invitations will be sent out in late December.



A Christmas Diary from the Methodist Church

Sunday 2 December: we will join the Methodists at Trunch for a 10:30 a.m. service led by Revd. Chris Sharp.

Covenant Service at 10:00 a.m., led by Revd Leo Osborne, preacher Revd Roger MacPhee.

Sunday 23 December: at 10:00 there is a Carol Service led by Chapel members.

Christian Aid Book Sale
Date to be confirmed. Please bring saleable books to Ralph and Jill Webb at Langdale The Street- many thanks.

Monday 24 December: Christmas Eve Communion at 6:00 p.m. led by Revd. Graham Thompson.

Knapton Women's Own meet on the first Tuesday each month at 2.15 - new members always welcome.

Sunday 6 January: joint service with the Anglicans Annual





What's on in Knapton



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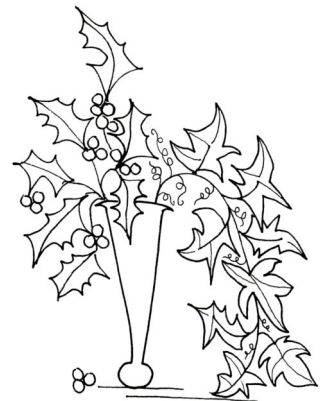
Monday 3	12:30 p.m.	Knapton Women's Own Christmas Lunch (The Beechwood Hotel, North Walsham)
Tuesday 4	2:15 p.m.	Knapton Women's Own Carols & Mince Pies (Methodist Church)
Tuesday 4	7:30 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
Monday 10	12:30 p.m.	Knapton Ladies Club Christmas Lunch (The Beechwood Hotel, North Walsham)
Friday 14	10/12 noon	Coffee Club (Methodist Church)
Sunday 23	10:00 a.m.	Family Carol Service (Methodist Church)
Sunday 23	6:30 p.m.	Village Carol Service (St Peter & St Paul's Church)
Monday 24	6:00 p.m.	Christmas Eve Communion (Methodist Church)
Tuesday 25	10:00 a.m.	Christmas Day Service of Holy Communion (St Peter & St Paul's Church)
Friday 28	10/12 noon	Coffee Club

JANUARY

Tuesday 8	2:15 p.m.	Knapton Women's Own New Year Party (Methodist Church)
Tuesday 8	7:30 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
Friday 11	10/12 noon	Coffee Club (Methodist Church)
Friday 25	10/12 noon	Coffee Club (Methodist Church)

WEEKLY EVENTS

Mondays	1:45 p.m.	Pilates (Village Hall)
Thursdays	7:00 p.m.	Art Class (Village Hall)



MADRA

Congratulations and thanks to MADRA for a wonderful firework display this year - definitely the best since we moved to the village six years ago! I don't have any details about events at MADRA over Christmas, but watch out for the boards notifying everyone of what is planned over the holiday season.

Tricia (Editor)



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