



# Knapton News

## 2nd Quarter 2017

Welcome to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of Knapton News for 2017

Thank you to everyone who has supported our efforts and may they long continue. Please send all articles, events or items to the dedicated email address is: [knaptonnews@outlook.com](mailto:knaptonnews@outlook.com)

### St Peter and St Paul's Parish Church Update

The church repairs are on the final leg. The last repairs are taking place over the next few weeks of June; the ringing chamber window is being repaired and converted into an emergency exit in the event of a fire in the tower or church. The community activities are complete with the wonderful new guide book and children's quiz now available in church. Please encourage your guests to visit the church.



### Church Warden's Whispers

We had a wonderful Thanksgiving Service on the 18<sup>th</sup> March with the Bishop of Lynn, The Revd Jonathan Meyrick. Thank you to all who provided cakes for the tea which was enjoyed by all.

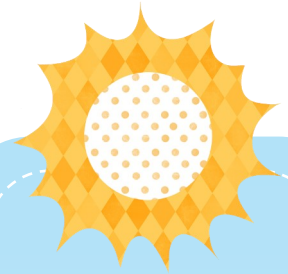
Future activities in church will be firstly a concert performed by the Mundesley Community Choir on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 7.30 pm called "The River of Sound". Tickets £8 each to include a glass of wine.

5<sup>th</sup> August is the beginning of Open Churches week in Norwich Diocese. "Knapton Heritage Days" will latch on to this with a Heritage Week exhibition in church. If you have any photos of Old Knapton please will you contact Alison Glaze on 01263 722323, who would love to hear from you. On September 10<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Harvest Festival Service, all items donated will go to Cromer Food Bank.

### Coffee Club Charity Events



The photo shows members of the Knapton Coffee Club enjoying the Booby Cupcake coffee morning, raising an incredible £122.50 for Keeping Abreast Norwich (Keeping Abreast is a local Norfolk charity supporting ladies who have been diagnosed with Breast Cancer).

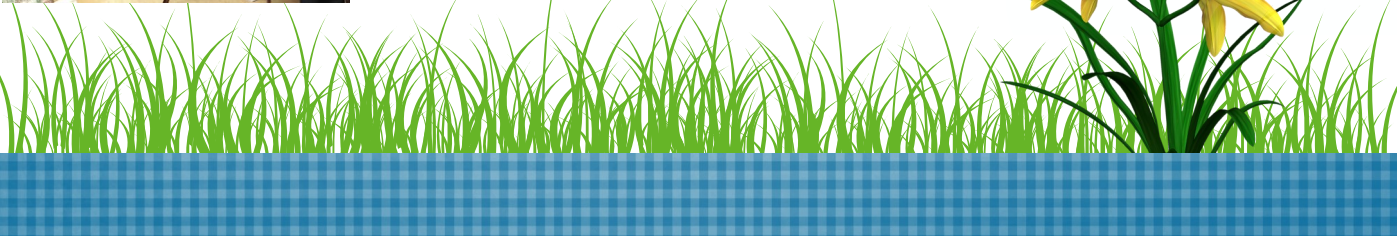


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## **Knapton Women's Own Strawberry Tea**

Tuesday 4 July

2:15 p.m.

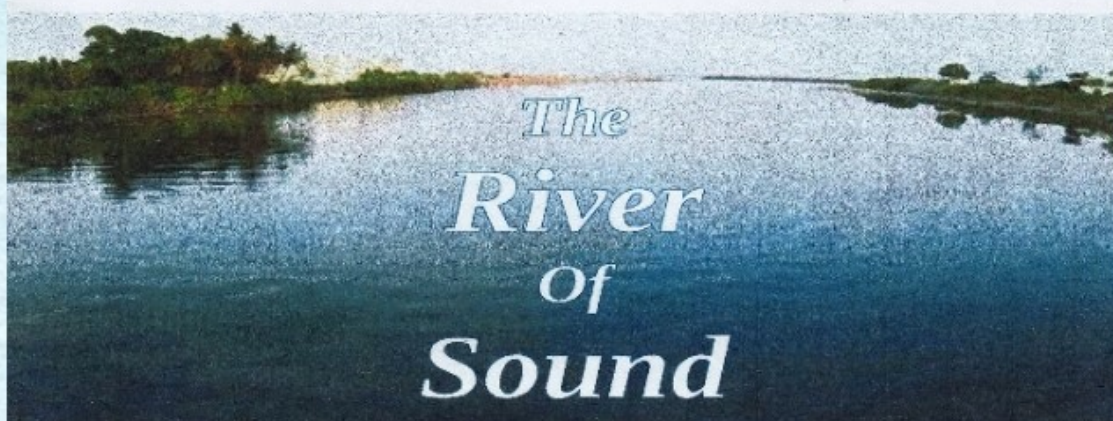
£4.00 per person

Non members very welcome  
including gentlemen!

All proceeds to our charity for 2017



**Mundesley Community Choir**  
Presents:



Saturday 22 July 2017  
7:30 p.m.

St Peter & St Paul's Church, Knapton

Tickets £8:00

Contact for tickets:  
Liz 01263 722271

Ticket to include one glass of wine or soft drink  
Further glasses of wine, fruit juice and water  
available to purchase





## A Curtain of Poppies



Members of Knapton Knitters are taking part in creating "a Curtain of Poppies" to commemorate the Centenary of WW1. The curtain will be displayed at The Bishop's Garden on the 16th July as an ongoing project. Members of the Countryside spinners and the Norfolk knitters are all busy creating poppies for this occasion. The finished curtain will be displayed in Norwich Cathedral during "Poppies collection period", dates to be confirmed. More information will be available from the Norfolk Knitters stand at the Bishop's Garden on the 16th July.

To date members of "Knapton knitters" have knitted blankets, twiddle muffs, hats, scarves, items for baby premature and cancer unit at the N&N, a donation was made to Squirrel's last December. Most items were donated to care homes in North Walsham, Cromer and Mundesley. If you have time to spare why not come along and join us for a cuppa and cakes at Knapton Village Hall, 2nd and 4th Wednesday from 1.30pm. Everyone welcome, even if you can't knit or crochet!!

Anna Ovenden



*Thank You*

A big thank you to everyone who contributed, supported and came to our first very successful coffee morning for the SSAFA-ettes held in the Coronation Hall in April.

The final total sent to SSAFA Norfolk was £1,006:60.

A constant stream of visitors from far and wide came to sample the coffee and cakes, snap up a bargain from the numerous stalls and have a good muddle with friends old and new.

Following this successful morning we shall hope to hold another one, so watch out for a future date.

## Knapton Village Walk to Mundesley, 1 May 2017

Well done to all those who turned out for the annual Village Walk on the path to Mundesley. Thanks to the ladies who were in the village hall to welcome us back with coffee and biscuits.



## Knapton Coffee Club

The Knapton Coffee Club is held on the second and fourth Friday mornings of every month.

We are always delighted to welcome newcomers so please do give us a try!

We vary where in the village we meet so please contact Alison on 01263 722323 for more information.

# Knapton Hall Musical Garden Party



Sunday 30 July 17  
4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Two Live Bands

Tickets £10

Entry strictly by ticket only  
'no ticket, no entry!'

Burgers and hotdogs will be provided

JUST BRING YOUR OWN:  
Chairs, Tipple and Glasses

Contact for tickets:  
Mal 01263 720018

Raffle prizes needed. Tell Mal  
if you have one you can bring

Money raised to go towards much needed  
repairs to the Village Hall







## Knapton Village Fete

Sunday 3 September from 2:00 p.m.

Church Farm, The Street



We would be grateful for the following items to help make this annual event a success:

Raffle and tombola prizes,  
Cakes for the teas and cake stall  
Toys in good condition and bric-a-brac  
Not forgetting small prizes for the hoop-la stall!  
This year we are also having a Teddy Bear tombola

If you can provide any of the above items or are willing to volunteer to help on the day please ring 01263 720908 or 01263 721544

Please deliver prizes etc. to The Old School, Hall Lane  
(kindly leave items in the porch if no-one at home)

## ELECTIONS AGAIN!



With all the elections going on I wondered what it was like to be a candidate. So I asked David Rowntree who, with Michelle, has come to live in the village. He had become a County Councillor, for the first time, in May and is now learning the ropes.

David was, and still is a musician. And he was, but has retired as, a solicitor for a number of years. He has a number of other interests but it is politics that engage him the most. He joined the Labour Party twenty years ago and has been a Labour 'activist' ever since, firstly in London and now in Norfolk. As such he has been the traditional knocker on doors, deliverer of pamphlets and everything else to ensure that the local party is working and in touch with the people. For without volunteer helpers in all parties they would simply collapse. And the conduit of the contact between the people and their councillors and MP's would be lost.

So he stood as a Labour candidate in Westminster and elsewhere both in District and Parliamentary elections in what he admits were unwinnable seats. In the course of this a friend asked him to come to Norfolk to help with a Labour campaign here. He came, liked the county and the people and has had the Norfolk connection ever since. He sought selection as a prospective parliamentary candidate in Norwich but was beaten to this by his friend Clive Lewis. But, undeterred, he remained an energetic Labour member here and so it was that it was suggested he sought election in the May 2017 elections as a County Councillor for Norwich University ward which of course includes the UEA.

The first job is to get selected by the local Labour membership. How easy or difficult this is depends a bit on how many candidates there are. You appear before the members and set out your stall. David passed through this stage in November last year and became the prospective candidate for the Norwich University ward. After that it is canvassing, door to door throughout the ward and presenting yourself and your plans and ideas. Strenuous work indeed. But David points out that the canvassing and door to door work takes place all the time, not just before an election. The candidate must be already visible and known to the electors. Its far too late (as events recently have shown) to leave canvassing until just before an election. Also the candidate needs all the information gathered long before an election to enable him to seek votes effectively.

The election then takes place. Labour members, like members of all parties, do their best to ensure their supporters actually can get to the polling stations. They rely on David and his team, who had been delivering manifestos (prepared by the Labour group), to find out who needs help.

David felt the despite Tory popularity he had a good chance of getting elected, but nothing is taken for granted and he turned up at the counting station in St Andrew's Hall with apprehension.

At the conclusion of the count the Returning Officer gathers the candidates and their agents together and asks if they are all happy with the counting procedure. If they are he tells them the result (just like parliamentary elections when the hapless candidates on the podium already know their fate before the announcement), and the declaration is made. Candidates then thank their supporters and go home.

*(continued overleaf)*



Harvest Festival Service  
 Sunday 10 September 2017  
 9:15 a.m.  
 St Peter and St Paul's Parish Church

All donations of food will go to the Cromer Food Bank

Please see their website for items currently required:

<https://cromerdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/>

**Elections Again!** *(continued from previous page)*

And that's the beginning. I was curious about what actually happens next, particularly to a newly elected member who short of knowing that County Hall is in Norwich may know little else. Well, you get a long letter from the Chief Executive of the Council telling you. You are given contact numbers names of admin staff, IT information, cards, a mobile phone and a date for an induction meeting. It is assumed you know nothing of local government and are starting from scratch! That's it. Your real work then starts. In David's case it became apparent that Labour with only one third of the seats were in a minority and so Labour councillors have to decide how to maximise their effect and also to decide with what areas of County Council work they wish to take particular interest. eg Highways, Children's or adult services, education, the arts. It is rather unclear how much influence a minority party can have in all these fields, but David is clearly not going to sit around and see what happens.

And I hope that I can return to him in a year's time to find out how he is getting on. I see the seeds of a second article

I might mention that, like my Aunt Constance (remember her?) I had never met a 'political activist', and in my small mind's eye I rather associated them with terrorists, Maoists, fifth columnists and so on. Now that I know one all these grim associations are ended, although I'd be grateful if someone, some time, could tell me what or who a fifth columnist actually is. I've never met one, or, come to that, have I? And not realised? Ah well

ENQUIRER



# Knapton Village Hall Harvest Supper

Friday 8 September 2017  
7:15 p.m. For 7:30 p.m.

Tickets £5.00

Bring and Share Supper

Money raised to go towards  
much needed repairs to the  
Village Hall

Contact Mal Lees for tickets  
01263 720018

and with your choice of supper dish  
Bring your own tipples!

All welcome

A watercolor illustration of an autumn harvest scene. In the foreground, a wooden wheelbarrow is filled with pumpkins, sunflowers, and a basket of red apples. To the left, there are clusters of purple grapes. The background features a stone wall and rolling green hills under a warm, golden sky. The overall style is soft and artistic, with visible brushstrokes and a rich color palette of oranges, yellows, greens, and purples.

# THE VILLAGE BUS SERVICE NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT



I am trying to get a better bus service for our village and would much appreciate any help that you can give with this.

Currently the number 34 is a contracted route run by Norfolk County Council and under their influence. They say that 'we have a variety of visiting options into North Walsham to connect to onward services' Well we do have a few options but not many and trying to get a return journey is not easy. An example of this happened only this week when the bus from Norwich was running late so I missed the last bus into Knapton at 4.15pm and was stranded in North Walsham. My family are fairly new to the village and I'm sure many of you will know much more about the service than I do so any help, support and information you can pass on can only help.

I have emailed Charles Sanders about the possibility of including Knapton into the number 5 route which runs through Trunch. That seems so easy to me but I'm sure it's far more complicated in reality. However, although he said he couldn't make any promises he did say that when he next looks to make changes he'll see if anything can be done. He will also look at connections to see if they can be improved.

Although you may not use the bus at the moment, you may need to in the future. For many elderly and those without access to a vehicle it's their only means of getting to appointments, shopping or just getting out for the day. Workers are not catered for at all on this route and although the school bus runs daily it isn't very helpful for those trying to get into Norwich for work and return home.

If you could take the time to write, ring or email NCC, Sanders Coaches or our local MP, I think that can only help. Our local Parish Council are also in support so you can contact them or complete the form below and we can see if that does any good.

Many thanks

Sue Sayer, Cornerstone House, The Street, Knapton-----sue.sayer@hotmail.com

Sue Wilkins, Local Parish Council-----sue3000etiscali.co.uk-01263 478332

Daniel Yellop, Norfolk County Council-----daniel.yellop@norfolk.gov.uk-01603 223956

Sanders Coaches, Hempstead Rd Ind Est, Holt-----charles@sanderscoaches.com.01263 712800

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PLEASE IMPROVE THE BUS SERVICE THROUGH KNAPTON VILLAGE

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to me at Cornerstone House or a Parish Councillor

# Useful Information

## Doctors:

Emergency No: 111

### Mundesley Medical Centre

Appointments & Enquiries Tel: (01263) 724 500 - Repeat Prescriptions Tel: (01263) 724 506  
Munhaven Close, Mundesley, Norwich, NR11 8AR

### Birchwood Medical Practice

Appointments and Enquiries Tel: (01692) 402 035 - Repeat Prescriptions Tel: (01692) 406 885  
Park Lane, North Walsham, Norfolk, NR28 0BQ

### Paston Surgery

Appointments, Enquiries & Prescriptions Tel: (01692) 403 015 - 9-11 Park Lane, North Walsham, Norfolk, NR28 0BQ

## Hospitals:

### Norfolk & Norwich University Hospital (NNUH)

Tel: 01603 286 286 Colney Lane, Norwich, NR4 7UY

### Cromer & District Hospital (Minor Injuries Clinic only 8am to 8pm)

Tel: 01263 513 571 Mill Road, Cromer, NR27 0BQ

### North Walsham & District War Memorial Hospital (No A & E)

Tel: 01692 408 070 Yarmouth Road, North Walsham, Norfolk, NR28 9AP

## North Norfolk District Council

Council Offices, Holt Road, Cromer NR27 9EN 01263 513811

<http://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/>

## Norfolk County Council : 0344 800 8020 (Monday-Friday 9am-5pm)

<http://www.norfolk.gov.uk>

## Water & Drainage: Anglian Water

Tel: (0845) 145 145 Freephone: (0800) 145 145

## Power:

Electrical:

### UK Power Networks - To report an electrical emergency or power cut:

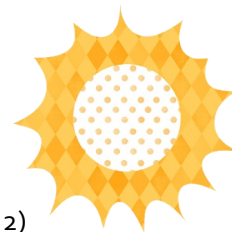
Tel: 0800 783 8838

General Enquiries Tel: 0845 601 4516 - Customer Relations Tel: 0800 028 4587

New Connections Tel: 0845 234 0040

### Gas Emergencies: National Gas Emergency Number Tel: 0800 111 999

## What's On In Knapton?



<b>July</b>		
Sunday 2nd	09.15am	St Peter and St Paul's Church Patronal Festival
Tuesday 4th	2:15 p.m.	Knapton Women's Own - Village Hall
	7.30 p.m.	Strawberry Tea—Everyone welcome (see page 2)
Wednesday 12th	1.30 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting— Village Hall
Friday 14th	10- 12	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall
Saturday 22nd	7.30 p.m.	Coffee Club - ALL WELCOME
		Mundesley Community Choir presents
Wednesday 26th	1.30 p.m.	"The River of Sound" at St Peter & St Paul's Church (see page 3)
Friday 28th	10- 12	The Knitting and Stitching Group—Village Hall
Sunday 30th	4 - 9 pm	Coffee Club - ALL WELCOME
		Knapton Hall, Musical Garden Party (Ticket only event, see page 5)
<b>August</b>		
Tuesday 1st	2.15 p.m.	Knapton Women's Own - Summer Nibbling & Nattering
Saturday 5-12th	10 am onwards	St Peter and St Paul's Heritage Week
		incorporating 'Open Churches Week'
Wednesday 9th	1.30 p.m.	The Knitting and Stitching Group—Village Hall
Wednesday 23rd	1.30 p.m.	The Knitting and Stitching Group—Village Hall
<b>September</b>		
Sunday 3rd	2 - 5 p.m.	Knapton Village Fete, Church Farm, The Street (see page 6)
Tuesday 5th	2.15 p.m.	Knapton Women's Own - Village Hall – AGM
	7.00 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall
Friday 8th	10 - 12	Coffee Club -ALL WELCOME
	7.30 pm	Harvest Supper - Village Hall (see page 8)
Sunday 10th	09.15am	Harvest Festival Service St Peter & St Paul's Church (see page 9)
Wednesday 13th	1.30 p.m.	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall
Friday 22nd	10 - 12	Coffee Club - ALL WELCOME
Wednesday 27th	1.30 p.m.	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall
<b>October</b>		
Tuesday 3rd	2.15 p.m.	Knapton Women's Own - Village Hall
		Maureen Webster - Talk about Zimbabwe
	7.30 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall
Wednesday 11th	1.30 p.m.	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall
Friday 13th	10 - 12	Coffee Club -- ALL WELCOME
Wednesday 25th	1.30 p.m.	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall
Friday 27th	10- 12	Coffee Club - -- ALL WELCOME
<b>November</b>		
Tuesday 7th	2.15 p.m.	Knapton Women's Own - Village Hall (Ringing those Bells!)
	7.30 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall
Wednesday 8th	1.30 p.m.	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall
Friday 10th	10 - 12	Coffee Club -- ALL WELCOME
Sunday 12th	1030 for 1045	Royal British Legion Remembrance Sunday Service
		St Peter & St Paul's Church Knapton
Wednesday 22nd	1.30 p.m.	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall
		<b>Final Meeting for 2017, next meeting Feb 2018</b>
Friday 24th	10- 12	Coffee Club – ALL WELCOME