



Knapton News

1st Quarter 2022



Queen's Platinum Jubilee
2nd to 5th June 2022

Welcome to the Knapton News and a belated Happy New Year to everyone, lets hope for a better year to come with life returning to some semblance of normality. If you are new to the village we hope you will be happy here. Please see the What's on section in the Knapton News for information about local events and Groups. As a taster try the Coffee Club on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month, this group includes the Gentlemen, come and join us for a chat over Coffee and Cake. Then there is the Knitters and Stitchers who meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month, to name just two of the local groups who will give you a warm welcome. The village website can be found at <https://knaptonvillage.org/>

If there is anyone out there who would like to be involved in the Knapton News please get in touch. The Editorial Team would like to thank everyone who has supported our efforts, and may they long continue. Please send all articles, events or items to the dedicated email address which is: knapton.news@knaptonvillage.org



THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE WEEKEND

2ND - 5TH JUNE 2022

Knapton Parish Council are bringing together and working with all the village's clubs, committees and groups to plan four days of celebrations for the Queen's Jubilee starting on Thursday 2nd June.

Please see our projected plan of events on page **6**

We would like this to be a weekend of festivities and celebration to encompass the whole of the parish, young and old alike! If you are new to the village, this will be an opportunity to meet your neighbours and new friends, and for those of us who have lived here for many years, it is a chance to renew friendships and make new ones. Over the last two years we have been very restricted due to Covid, so lets make this a weekend to remember. We are kicking off the Jubilee weekend celebrations with a party evening set in the Church, with live bands, BBQ and Bar, including a free drink and something to eat, with more available for a small donation. There is also the option to bring your own picnic if you wish and enjoy the fun, games and music around the church if the weather is warm.

The Village Beacon is to be erected in the Church yard and together with others across Norfolk is set to be lit at 9.45pm.



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On the other days, there will be a history display, to be titled "Knapton through the years", a Craft Display and Demonstration and a Flower display, both for which we are looking for volunteers to help with setting up. Please contact the Parish Clerk if this is something you would like to help with. There will be Coffee and Cake in the Village Hall, with a Tombola so again we would be most grateful for any donations received.

If you can help, please contact the Parish Clerk Dee at dee.holroyd@knaptonvillage.org

On the Saturday, there is to be a Street Party for the younger members of our village. If you have children who would like to be involved in this historic event, please contact Monika via email, monika@sdksoftware.uk or you can find her at The Burrow, The Street, Knapton.

On the Sunday everyone (and their dog) is invited to our Village Walk which will take up along many of the footpaths that criss-cross our parish, starting and finishing at MADRA for some re-vitalising refreshment. Anyone that would like to join us but feel that the walk is perhaps too much is welcome to meet us at the finish point to celebrate with our walkers.



Following all the volunteering done by all the Knapton's Angels during the pandemic the Village has been awarded the Lord-Lieutenants of Norfolk's Plaque. This is in addition to the thank you card received from Lady Dannett Lord-Lieutenant of Norfolk in October 2020

Knapton Parish Council - Chairman's Report

The current buzzword is Jubilee...

As I write this, the Parish Council team is busy planning and co-ordinating with the clubs and groups in the village to host an extraordinary village celebration for the Queen's Jubilee on the weekend of 2nd to 5th June and we want everyone to be part of it. With everything from a street party to the lighting of the beacon in its new home, we want everyone to remember this four-day event for many years to come. If you'd like to be involved let us know, the more the merrier!

We are also fast approaching the Parish Council's "end of year" in May, when our Chair, Vice-Chair and officers are elected and committees re-confirmed. I believe that our councillors can look back with satisfaction at what they have achieved over the last ten months in what were very difficult circumstances. In many ways it's been a good year with many of our projects successfully completed and most notably the 30mph limit in Hall Lane is nearing completion, but circumstances beyond our control has meant that one longer-term project has still not implemented, namely the re-modelling of the junction.

Currently we are working with Anglian Water who are installing the new sewerage system and County Broadband as we seek to implement a parish wide broadband solution that will meet and exceed our resident's on-line demands for years to come.

We believe that everything we do is for the good of the parish, because we serve the parish and all its residents. We do this by adopting an honest and transparent approach so as to involve as many of our parishioners as we can at every stage and it's very pleasing to see more people contacting us by email and on social media and coming to share their thoughts at our monthly council meetings. We like feedback, whether it's on social media, email or our Contact Form on the website. Let us know how you think we are doing and what you would like to see us tackle next because the Parish Council is here to serve you all. Contact Form on the website <https://knaptonvillage.org/contact-form/> or The parish Clerk email address parishclerk@knaptonvillage.org

In my chairman's statements over the last three years, I have highlighted some of the eighty odd things that our councillors have achieved in their efforts to improve our villager's way of life. From improving the children's playground to setting up the Knapton Angels to making our roads safer, this enthusiastic council has proven time and again that nothing is off limits if it improves our parishioner's health and safety. If, like me, you love our village and where we live, why not come and help us to look after it.

Being a Parish Councillor gives you a voice, a platform from which you can give a little back and make a difference to those around you.

As Chairman, I'm currently looking for two parishioners who want to do just that and join me and the team on the Parish Council. With several big issues just over the horizon it's a great opportunity to get involved and help us shape the future of our village and our way of life. You can read more on our dedicated webpage at;

https://knaptonvillage.org/parish_council/why-be-a-parish-councillor

Why not come along to our next meeting on 5th April in the Village Hall at 7pm, when you could find out what we do, have a chat to us and see if it's something you'd like to be part of.

Parish Clerk`s Report

March 2022

Once again, the Parish Council team is working hard behind the scenes to make Knapton a better and safer village to live in as it progresses several road and safety initiatives.

The transfer of land title deed for the Car Park has finally been agreed and signed by our Chair and Vice-Chair, Pat Lee. After much negotiation and to-ing and fro-ing between Knapton PC and The Victory Housing Trust, the Parish Council will now take ownership of the car park and tidying up can begin.

There is also at last progress on the speed limit extension (30mph extended down Hall Lane as far as Butterfly Walk). This again is the result of very hard work by our Chair and it looks as if it really is close to coming.

We are, together with Swafeld and Mundesley Parish Councils, collecting evidence of speed of vehicles using the B1145 between Swafeld and Mundesley. This will be used to try to get stricter speed restrictions implemented on this bit of road and our Chair is fighting to get this extended to include Pond Lane.

Plans for the Platinum Jubilee celebrations (weekend of 2nd-5th June) are under way. The beacon has been registered for lighting at 9.45pm on 2nd June and permission has been given to erect it in the churchyard. A few volunteers are working hard to make this a wonderful and memorable weekend for Knapton. As plans are cemented there will be much information coming your way.

It appears that North Walsham is going to receive a very large amount of new housing. Knapton Parish Council has shown support to NNDC for affordable housing but opposition to more second homes.

It can be seen by all that work continues on the mains drainage installation. Elizabeth Winter has been a marvellous `liaison officer` between Anglia Water and the village, and they are doing their best to minimise inconvenience. As always unexpected problems have been encountered and have to be overcome.

We hope to see very many of you at the Jubilee celebrations.

Dee Holroyd

Parish Clerk



Knapton First Time Sewerage Scheme



Our thanks from the Village go to Anglian Water who generously provided our Village Christmas Trees .

Pump station is progressing well - we will be starting the layby in early April.

We will be pressure testing the rising main next week - this is all installed now.

We are making better progress on The Street by utilising the directional drilling rig - we expect the drill rig to return in April and this will bring us up to Lawn Close.

The Knapton Green Road closure is still planned for April once we are finished in the garden near the existing Anglian Water pump station (near our main compound).

Church Warden's Whispers

Sunday 19th December there was a Group Holy Communion Service on at 10am. Then the **Village Carol Service by Candlelight** which was enjoyed by all, this was followed by a chance to chat over mulled wine and mince pies with juice for the children. Christmas Day Service was lead by the Reverend Chris Winter, it was good to welcome him to church this time to take the service, as against a member of the congregation. Over the last three months the church welcomed the other congregations to Knapton once a month. With the Easter period soon to be here services will be Palm Sunday services at Trunch and Mundesley, then a 10am Holy Communion Service on Maundy Thursday followed by on Easter Sunday Holy Communion Service for the Benefice will be at Knapton Church commencing at 10am , everyone is welcome to all the services..

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Proposed Plan.

Thursday 2nd June

Morning Set up displays in the Church for everyone to enjoy in the evening.

7pm **Village Event - Church**

Free BBQ from 7pm to 8.30pm and first drink for residents and their visitors, then a licensed bar with wine, beer and soft drinks. Vouchers to cover your group will be distributed nearer the event, with a programme of everything happening!

Live Music

Five Shades and **The Ugly Dog Skiffle Band** who will play to the end of the evening

9.45pm **Lighting of the Village Beacon**

(as registered and set by the Queens Platinum Jubilee Beacons official site)

Friday 3rd June

Church - Open from 10am to 4pm

Flower Displays *(created by various organisations and ladies in the Village and local area)*

History - Display theme "Knapton Through the Years!"
(History group from Coffee Club)

Craft Displays and Demonstration by the *Knitters and Stitchers group*

Hopefully an open Church Tower and have a go with the Bells *(depending on whether Andrew is available, could be moved to Saturday)*

Village Hall - Refreshments and Tombola

(Village Hall Management Committee and Coffee Club)

Saturday 4th June - Open from 10am to 4pm

Church

Flower Displays

History - Display theme "Knapton Through the Years"

Craft Displays and Demonstration)

Children's Street Party - Wild's Way / Village Hall if wet.

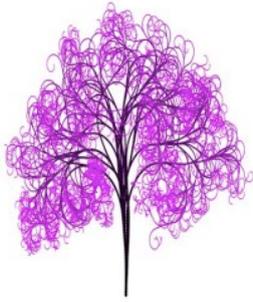
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Sunday 5th June

10.30am **Village Walk** -

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Any excess Monies Raised to go to a chosen Local Charity



PURPLE TREE

I am Bea Gatfield and have been living in Knapton for the last 24 years. I am married to Andy and have three (now grown up) children. We all love it here, and although our children are involved in their own ventures, they all enjoy coming back to the peace of this beautiful village.

Having spent the last 14 years working in Education, with the last 5 years teaching in a Special Educational Needs (SEN) School where I taught in Key Stage 2, 3 and 4, (previously at Paston College I supported students at Key Stage 5 in English and Psychology), I have now decided to start my own business – Purple Tree.

My business has two strands – one is about tutoring students. Those in Primary School I am able to teach most subjects; higher in age I can tutor in English, Psychology and Sociology and can support in many subjects.

The second strand is all about Wellbeing. I have started a Mindfulness and Meditation group that meets on a Monday morning at 9:30am. We spend 45 minutes learning Mindfulness and slotting in one or two meditations, and then we have cups of tea/coffee and biscuits and a good old chat (the second 45 minutes is optional but builds a lovely group atmosphere). This is held in 'The Dell' at my home – Highbank House.

I have also recently started a Yoga and Mindfulness session at the Village Hall where the focus is very much on the mind/body connection. This is held on Fridays from 2:30 for an hour. As space is limited I am only able to fit in 8 people at present and the class is already fully booked, but if there is enough interest I would certainly consider putting on a second class at 3:45 – 4:45pm. Please phone or text on the number below if this is something you would be interested in.

About 10 years ago I did a Neuro-Linguistic Programming course and became a qualified NLP Practitioner and Wellbeing Coach and I completed my degree in 2015 in Psychology with Social Science. I have completed various Mindfulness courses and regularly practise what I preach as it has proven so incredibly helpful to me personally. I have been doing Yoga for over 20 Years and taught the students at my last school both yoga and Mindfulness on a weekly basis. I do also see clients on a 1:1 basis and am able to offer Eye Movement Neuro-integration to enable the proper dispersal of trauma events.

Contact: Bea Gatfield – Phone or Text on 07789 674 637

Email bea.gatfield@yahoo.co.uk

The Bells of St Peter and St Paul's Parish Church Knapton

The Church of St Peter and St Paul is very fortunate to possess an excellent ring of 6 bells, hung for English style "Full Circle" ringing.

The largest bell (tenor) weighs approximately 5.5 cwt (280 kgs) which actually makes them a "light" ring of bells and hence relatively easy to ring.. Two of the bells (5 and 6) date from the middle of the 16th century and were cast by Norwich bell founder John Brand. It is possible that they were actually cast in the church-yard or a nearby field as many bells at this time were cast "on site".

Bells 2, 3, and 4 were recast by Gillett and Johnson of Croydon, in 1932 from three 19th century (Mears of London) bells. The bells were returning in a new steel and cast-iron frame to replace the original wooden structure which had become very unstable due, mainly to neglect and the fact that the rainwater poured through the leaking Tower roof. The bells had not been rung for at least 50 years prior to this restoration. The "new" treble bell (Whitechapel Bell Foundry) dated 1990 was the generous gift of former Knapton resident and Bell ringer Miss Dorothy Margett, which she gave in memory of her Godfather.



The Five Bells as at 1932.

We (The Band) have been unable to ring for the last two years, because of restrictions, especially with our small enclosed ringing chamber. It is likely that some team members will not return for a variety of reasons, including one who sadly passed away recently, who will be sadly missed.

BELL RINGERS

WANTED

**The Bell Ringing Team in Trunch Group
NEED YOU!**

The Trunch Group of Ringers can be heard in Knapton,
Gimingham and Paston as well as Southrepps and
Northrepps

Experienced or Want To Be - Training Given

Contact Andrew Lubbock on 01263 722929
or email andyman1@live.co.uk.

St Peter and St Paul's
Parish Church
Knapton Bells



KNAPTON VILLAGE HALL

The hall is now firmly back in business and available to hire. 'But how do I hire it?' I hear you cry.

Simple, just look at the village website and it's all there. Contact details, hire rates, the lot. And if you need help with navigating through it, just telephone me (01263 720356). It's suitable for one off parties, meetings etc or for regular recurring occasions, eg The Coffee Club.

But you will, all being well, see a change. If you look carefully you should notice that the stage has gone, for at the time of writing it is planned that David Jackson and Andy Gatfield will set about it on the 2nd and 3rd April. It is the intention that the stage will be removed and the stage floor will be used as the floor proper. The village should be grateful to them for what they are about to do. I am, very much indeed.

After that our committee will be looking at the tables and chairs, and their storage. This is a tricky one. Chairs are quite heavy and the tables require manhandling if they are to be stacked. Some hirers need a cleared floor. Others quite the opposite. Suggestions to me, please. It's not always easy to please everyone!

So do make use of the hall if you can. The charges are modest. Use it or lose it, they say

Nick Holroyd

Chairman of the KVH committee

24/03/22

TALES FROM THE COMPOST HEAP

I am sorry I will not be writing in this edition So please could you write a small apology from me.

Thank you Diane.

Green Fingers



Coffee Club



Meets in the village Hall twice a month on the second and fourth Friday from 10am - 12 midday. Come along for a chat, coffee and cake. Coffee/Tea and cake only £2. with **free top ups!!** Gentlemen of the Village here is a plea to you to join the only two men, David and Richard are feeling a bit lonely and would appreciate more male company.

Everyone is welcome



Seen around the village enjoying the flowers for breakfast !!!!

Knapton Knitters and Stitchers

Knapton Knitters and Stitchers is a friendly group which usually meets on the first Wednesday of the month, from 1.30 to 4pm.

We welcome new members so bring along your knitting, sewing, crochet, craft work or just come along for a chat. We also make items for charity.

For further information, please see the village hall notice board or contact Jean Clarke on 01263 720680.

Next meetings are 6th April, 8th June, 6th July and 3rd August.



What's On In Knapton April - June 2022

April

Friday 1st	2.30pm	Yoga and Mindfulness Village Hall - also on 8th 22nd & 29th
Monday 4th	9.30am	Purple Tree Mindfulness and Meditation group that meets at Highbank House, Contact Bea Gatfield – Phone or Text on 07789 674 637 also on 11th, & 25th.
Monday 4th	7pm	Clubbercise - Village Hall also on 11th, & 25th
Tuesday 5th	2.15 pm	Knapton Women's Own - New members always welcome
	7pm	Village Hall - Ruth Smith The Inconvenience of Loose Elastic
		Parish Council - Village Hall - Public welcome, questions when invited by the Chairman at the end of the meeting
Wednesday 6th`	1.30 pm	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall Everyone
Friday 8th	10am - 12midday	Coffee Club - All Welcome, join us for a chat over coffee etc. - Village Hall . Also on Friday 22nd Everyone welcome

May

Monday 2nd	7pm	Clubbercise - Village Hall also on 9th, 16th, 23rd, & 30th
Tuesday 3rd	2.15pm	Knapton Women's Own - New members always welcome
		Village Hall - Mike Ayden Cromer Hospital Friends
	7pm	Parish Council Annual Meeting - Village Hall - Public welcome, questions when invited by the Chairman at the end of the meeting
Friday 6th	2.30pm	Yoga and Mindfulness Village Hall - also on 13th 20th & 27th
Friday 13th	10am - 12midday	Coffee Club - All Welcome, join us for a chat over coffee etc. - Village Hall . Also on Friday 20th Everyone welcome.

June

Thursday 2nd	7pm	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations Programme begins
Friday 3rd	10 am - 4pm	Church Displays - Village Hall Refreshments and Tombola
Saturday 4th	10 am - 4pm	Church Displays - Street Party Wilds Way
Sunday 5th	10.30 am	Village Walk - MADRA Start and Finish
Monday 6th	7pm	Clubbercise - Village Hall also on 13th, 20th & 27th
Tuesday 7 th	2,15pm	Knapton Women's Own - New members always welcome
		Village Hall - Bring Along An object of interest.
	7pm	Parish Council - Village Hall - Public welcome, questions when invited by the Chairman at the end of the meeting
Wednesday 8th	1.30 pm	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall Everyone
Friday 10th	10am - 12midday	Coffee Club - All Welcome, join us for a chat over coffee etc. - Village Hall . Also on Friday 24th Everyone welcome
Friday 10th	2.30pm	Yoga and Mindfulness - Village Hall also on 17th & 24th

Useful Information

Doctors:

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Mundesley Medical Centre

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

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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

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

Tel: 0800 783 8838

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