



Knapton News

1st Quarter 2022



Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Welcome to the Knapton News. This edition is being dedicated to The Village Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

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THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE WEEKEND 2ND - 5TH JUNE 2022

Knapton Parish Council's wish was to bring together the whole village by working with all the village's clubs, committees and groups for the four days of celebrations for the Queen's Jubilee starting on Thursday 2nd June.

The weekend of festivities and celebration encompassed the whole of the parish, young and old alike! Including those new to the village, this was an opportunity to meet our neighbours and make new friend. It was certainly a weekend to remember, we lost count of how many were at the first night but the rough estimate was over 350 people of all ages! Wow what a great turnout, one resident commented that seeing so many people walking up The Street and then more coming towards her made her quite emotional. For those who could not be with us we kicked off the Jubilee weekend celebrations with a party evening set in the Church, with live bands, BBQ and Bar. Mal and Emily did a fantastic job organising then cooking and serving over 320 burgers/hotdogs, Mal you are a village heroine.

The Village Beacon was erected in the Church yard and together with others across Norfolk was lit at 9.45pm. Below is the Beacon with the inscription that Alan Young sorted. The erection of the Beacon followed by the filling of the basket was all thanks to volunteers, mainly Pat Lee, Alan Young and Mike Risebrow. We were required to get permission from the Norwich Diocese which means it now has a permanent home.

Pat filling the basket!



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On the other days, there was a History display, titled "Knapton through the Years", a Craft Display including a copy of the 1939 Census and June Wild's written account of which families lived in the village in 1953, there was a Craft Display by the Knitters and Stitchers with demonstrations, a report from Jean Clark with photos appears later in the news. Flower arrangements, were brought by lots of ladies from around the village, a big thank you to them too. There was Coffee and Cake in the Village Hall, from 10 to 4pm with a Tombola, a big thank you to Kathryn and Clair for organising this event and Sheila who manned the Tombola which sold out by lunchtime. Thanks to everyone who donated Cakes and Tombola prizes!

In addition on the Friday afternoon at 2pm Mario from Mundesley First Responders come and gave a demonstration on using the Defibrillator which is positioned by the main door to the Village Hall. He has offered to come back at a later date if there are anymore residents who would like to know how to use the Defibrillator.

On the Saturday, there was a Special Street Party for the younger members of our village. It was held on the Grass area of School Close/ Wild's Way, where the children enjoyed village games which Keith and Alan had set up and music thanks to Andy. Due to the windy conditions Monika and Lucy who organised a fantastic afternoon brought the Tea Party into the Village Hall. Following the tea they all returned to the green for a Tug of War which the parents joined in to. We must say a grateful thanks to Anglian Water for their generous donation of £200 which went towards the Children's Party.

The Sunday Village Walk was sadly cancelled due to expected bad weather which was a shame for MADRA who had volunteered to host coffee before and a Bar-B-Que afterwards.

During the who three days there were collection bucket around the events and the proceeds from the Coffee Morning and Tombola were donated to The Mundesley First Responders and in total a cheque was sent for £187.60p, thank you Knapton.

Knapton Women's Own

Knapton Women's Own Strawberry Tea is an annual event to raise money for their chosen charity, for the last three years we have raised money for Cromer Hospital Friends and their fundraising appeal to equip the new Macmillan Cancer centre at Cromer Hospital.

Everyone is welcome so please come along and support this worthy cause.



Knapton Parish Council - Chairman's Report

"It's not the place that maketh the person, but the person that maketh the place..."

When the Roman philosopher *Marcus Tullius Cicero* wrote that sometime before he was beheaded in 43BC, he must have just got back from a time travel jaunt to our village over the Platinum Jubilee weekend because between the 2nd and 4th June our parishioners were living proof that his quote was a statement of fact. Over 80% of our residents got together and punched well above their weight to produce an incredibly special Jubilee celebration that will remain in their memory for many years to come.

I'm told it's the first time that the Church, MADRA and all the various village clubs, committees and groups have worked together so closely with the Parish Council to produce an extraordinary series of events for a very long time. Which is a shame because we obviously do it so well...

I believe that as one, our village shrugged off the cloud of apathy that's hung over it for far too long and found the spirit that we always believed was there. And having seen thirty-eight young Knaptonians running around, bubble pots in hand, playing old village games that I'm pretty sure none of them had seen before, climbing trees and having the time of their lives, I reckon our village's future is in safe hands!

Although the Jubilee celebrations were obviously our marquee event, we've made other stuff happen as well;

- ◆ the new 30mph speed limit extension from the MADRA to the Butterfly Walk car park in Hall Lane has finally gone live, almost three years after we got it approved by Highways
- ◆ we are working with Highways on the final designs for the re-modelling of the Knapton Road / Hall Lane junction, another scheme that we got approved almost three years ago
- ◆ we've started working with Swafield and Mundesley parish councils to try to implement a speed limit reduction along the Knapton Road under a NCC Highways scheme that opens in November.
- ◆ under the same scheme we are also trying to get the speed limit reduced on Pond Lane from a ridiculous 60mph down to a safer 30mph
- ◆ we're working with Anglian Water as they install the First Time Sewerage System for the village
- ◆ we're keeping in touch with County Broadband as they attempt to implement a parish wide Superfast Broadband solution
- ◆ and... we are trying to find our missing telephone box!

Add into the mix new salt bins, hedge and verge cutting issues, a playground refurbishment programme, footpath maintenance problems and a tree planting programme that all residents can get involved in, we're where we always are... working for a better tomorrow.

I'd also like to thank Alan Young, who resigned in May, for his enormous, selfless contribution to the Parish Council and the village as a whole. As a stalwart for many years he will be sorely missed.

Have a great summer and stay safe.

Peter

PS:

- ◆ 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/>.
- ◆ The parish Clerk 's email address parishclerk@knaptonvillage.org

Parish Clerk`s Report

Firstly, and sadly, Alan Young has resigned from Knapton Parish Council after serving 25 years as both councillor and chairman. He was often to be found putting up bunting, Christmas trees, a post here, mending something there, an invaluable member of the PC who will be much missed.

I expect you all noticed the Jubilee weekend came and went. Of course the best thing about it was that Her Majesty was able to enjoy the celebrations. The Parish Council worked hard to bring the whole weekend together. They got the beacon moved to the churchyard well done Elizabeth Winter for getting permission for that, Alan Young for magically moving it and Pat Lee for arranging the necessary digger and auger to pop it into place. Various celebrations, with Mal Lees doing a barbeque for over three hundred people (after four hours of onion peeling and caramelising) and of course the wonderful band which got us all dancing in the church. I don't suppose the Angels had seen the like in all their five hundred years! So many people helped that I won't start to name them. I hope I have written to all helpers, but if I missed anyone, sing out and I will quickly put it right. The weekend was a huge success, bringing so many people together and making Knapton feel like the lovely village it is to live in. I understand the rest of the weekend has been written up, so will leave it at that except to say that our tireless chairman seemed to be everywhere all over the three days of festivities.

Our Chairman has finally been able to celebrate the extension of the 30 mph limit in Hall Lane. Unfortunately Highways did not get it quite right but have promised to come racing back and make certain it extends to the Butterfly Walk. Well done Peter, it has been a long, hard struggle.

Finally the PC has become the owner of the car park. Pat Lee and Peter Neatherway then filled watering cans and gave the resident weeds a hard time. The car park is now looking very neat.

At our next meeting Cally Keohane of Highways Assistance Team is coming to give a talk about Highways. This will start at 6.00 on Tuesday 5th July in the Village Hall, and we hope you will come and hear what she has to say.

Summer is a relatively quiet time for the Parish Council, but there are things bubbling away to keep us occupied for the rest of the year. Our councillors put in a lot of hard work for the village and I personally would like to give them a big 'thank you'. They really do make a difference.

Dee Holroyd, Parish Clerk.



Knapton First Time Sewerage Scheme

Electrical install at the pump station will started on the 13th June with- control kiosk being delivered.

Open cut on The Street is progressing towards the junction with Lawn Close. We can no longer use the drill rig (ditch witch) because the pipe gradient is flatter than previously so back to slower open cut techniques.

We have a gang working on The Street installing laterals to properties. We have road notice which started on Lawn Close w/c 20th June.

Work on The Green/Trunch Road is complete. We have another gang installing pipes in the back of White House Farm.

We are currently expecting to be complete by the end of November.



A Selection of pictures from the 2nd June, the first shows volunteers getting the bar and BBQ ready, then the church converted as a dance floor and the final two Knapton enjoying themselves, plus the Beacon well alight !!!

31 JULY KNAPTON HALL



PICNIC

IN THE GARDEN

LIVE MUSIC FROM

HILLBILLY GOATS GRUFF

JOHN'S BLUES CREW

LOU AND THE TALL BOYS

5 SHADES OF GREY

STARTS 2.30 PM

BRING YOUR PICNIC AND CHAIRS

TICKETS £10 - FROM DEE HOLROYD,

Clerk to Knapton parish council, or

tel 07733416537 and 07973713939

Please check with Dee as to parking for the event due to current road works. In the village!

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Jubilee Weekend - A message from Alan Young Chairman of the Fete Committee.

First of all, thank you to all the village for turning up to what was a fabulous night of fun food and music. Many people worked all through the evening to ensure the enjoyment of everybody.

There was a lovely atmosphere and the weather crowned it off.

The beacon lit well and looked fabulous against the setting sun.

It was great to see the church full of people dancing and dare I say drinking!!

Thank you to everybody the list is too long to add everybody it would be the whole village!!

But a special thanks to Mal Lees for feeding the 5000, well almost 5000!!

The fete group funds are much depleted now and we will hold a fete in September as we used to before Covid to help fill the empty pot!!

So please help if you can .

Knapton Fete group.

If you would like to help please contact either

Carol on carol: efmc@gmail.com

or Alan on: alanfreewheel@outlook.com

or Dee Holroyd on: (01263) 720 356



KNAPTON VILLAGE HALL

I'm really pleased to be able to say that the hall is well and truly up and running again and more and more people are using it. Not least because Peter Neatherway has helped us hugely by bringing us into the 21st century with a brand new website and on-line booking system which can be used alongside Mary Renwick Forster, our indefatigable booking secretary who will of course continue to hear from you personally. If you prefer the personal touch to computers. For years the village held a Harvest Supper. It fell into abeyance due to Covid19. But it's now back, and will take place on Friday 30th September at 7.00pm in the hall. Details will come out later, but it's a date to put in your diary and I'd be really grateful if those of you who would like to come would call me (01263 720356) or email me at nicholasholroyd@googlemail.com or just pop in to Verbena Cottage. I can then put your name on a list so we can be sure to tell you later of the format. I expect we can accommodate up to about 40 Knapton residents, So hurry while stocks last! The Village Hall AGM at 7.30pm on Thursday 21st July. All are welcome come and meet the team !

Enjoy your summer
Nick Holroyd

TALES FROM THE COMPOST HEAP

Hello everyone,

The weather has been very warm for this time of year, so there is an endless amount of watering to be done, I have already emptied a tank, but all the plants on the allotments look really healthy. Our newcomers are doing very well too. We have picked loads of strawberries, and do they taste good. The courgettes are being picked too and distributed widely. There are plenty of apples and pears this year. There have been plenty of bees to pollinate them. We have Echium Pininana growing on the allotments and they are a great favourite of the bees. The buzz you hear when standing nearby is amazing; it is a wonderful noise. Flowers help so much, Blu one of our holders has made a lovely rose bed and we have left some clover on our paths to help the bees. I hope you all have a good harvest and enjoy eating your produce. Have a lovely summer everyone.

All the Best

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, who are feeling a bit lonely and would appreciate more male company.

In addition the main organisers desperately need more help. The four ladies who have been at the helm for the last few months have made sure this event runs on a fortnightly basis but they cannot do it alone, they feel guilty if they cannot be there, nor do they get the chance to just sit and chat to their friends. So people, volunteers are urgently needed to help serve the coffee and washup afterwards, and step up to organise the club if the others are away. Please don't let this vital event which is supporting so many folk fold due to lack of willing helpers. **Everyone is welcome so just come along!**

Platinum Jubilee Coffee Club and Village Hall Committee's Event Coffee, Tea, Cakes and Tombola



After Clair and I finished setting up at 9 am we were greeted with lots of friendly faces bringing in an amazing array of delicious cakes, scones and muffins and yet more Tombola prizes, which Steve ticketed. Throughout the day there was a steady stream of customers coming in to have tea/ coffee and cakes and keep Sheila busy on the Tombola, until all the prizes had been won. When Clair left at midday Peter was my glamorous assistant! keeping on top of washing up and replenishing the coffee machine. It was lovely to see so many people – mostly from Knapton but also from further afield – including several of the younger members of the village. At 2pm Mario gave his demonstration of how to use the defibrillator. In total from the proceeds from tea/ coffee and cakes, the Tombola, the collection buckets in the church and in the Village Hall, we were able to donate to the first responders. Not too shabby for a few hours work! Thank you to everyone who brought cakes, donated prizes or supported the event by forcing yourself to eat cake! The total raised mostly from this event was £187.60, a cheque was sent to Mundesley First Responders, and a thank you letter has been received back.

Kathryn

Knapton Knitters and Stitchers

For the Jubilee, Knapton Knitters and Stitchers were able to show a selection of their work in the church.

This meant that members were able to chat to many visitors and several showed interest in joining the group.

Come along to the Village Hall on the 1st Wednesday each month, 1.30 to 4pm. The cost is £3 including refreshments and everyone is welcome.



What's On In Knapton July - September 2022

July

Monday 4th	7pm	Clubbercise - Village Hall also on 11th , 18th & 25th
Tuesday 5th	2.15 pm	Knapton Women's Own - Strawberry Tea, everyone welcome , Afternoon tea, Tombola and Raffle, proceeds to the Women's Own of the year charity Cromer Hospital Friends
	7pm	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
Thursday 21st	7.30 pm	Village Hall Management Committee AGM. - All Welcome
Friday 22nd	10am - 12midday	Coffee Club - All Welcome, join us for a chat over coffee etc. - Village Hall . Everyone welcome .
Sunday 31st	2.30pm	Picnic in the Garden Knapton Hall - See page 5 Advertisement

August

Monday 1st	7pm	Clubbercise - Village Hall also on 8th, 15th, 22rd, & 29th
Tuesday 2nd	2.15pm	Knapton Women's Own - Nibble and Natter New members always welcome Village Hall -
Wednesday 3rd	1.30 pm	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall Everyone
Friday 12th	10am - 12midday	Coffee Club - All Welcome, join us for a chat over coffee etc. - Village Hall . Everyone welcome.
Friday 19th	10 - 12 midday	Coffee Club - All Welcome, join us for a chat over coffee etc. - Village Hall . Everyone welcome

September

Date to be confirmed	2pm	Village Fete - Stalls - Games - Raffle - Teas
Monday 5th	7pm	Clubbercise - Village Hall also on 12th, 19th & 26th
Tuesday 6 th	2,15pm	Knapton Women's Own - AGM New members always welcome Village Hall
	7pm	Parish Council - Village Hall - Public welcome , questions when invited by the Chairman
Wednesday 7th	1.30 pm	The Knitting and Stitching Group - Village Hall Everyone
Friday 9th	10am - 12midday	Coffee Club - All Welcome, join us for a chat over coffee etc. - Village Hall . Everyone welcome
Friday 23rd	10am - 12midday	Coffee Club - All Welcome, join us for a chat over coffee etc. - Village Hall . Everyone welcome
Friday 30th	7pm	Harvest Supper - Village Hall (See Village Hall report Page 9

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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Park Lane, North Walsham, Norfolk, NR28 0BQ

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Norfolk & Norwich University Hospital (NNUH)

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

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

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