

Knapton News



Issue 2

August/September 2007

Summer is here and Knapton is flooding!

Over the last few weeks, residents at the lower end of the village have experienced severe flooding on several occasions, following numerous 'flash flood' rain storms.

The subsequent problems emanating



Flooding under the railway bridge - June 2007

from the very bad weather, coupled with appeals from local residents, has prompted Norfolk County Council Highways Department to investigate the situation.

We have now been advised that, in late August, various drainage works are to be undertaken.

This will result in the lower part of The Street, adjacent to the railway bridge, being closed for approximately two weeks from 28 August.

A diversion will be clearly marked and the NCC have informed us that:

“Vehicular access to properties within the closure will be maintained from one direction at all times and special signs, indicating businesses remain open, will be erected where required. Emergency services and bus companies will also be made aware of the closure, so that arrangements can be made for their vehicles.”

When the drainage repairs have been completed, we hope that this action, coupled with timely assistance from a local farmer who kindly re-ploughed a field where the rain was in part over-flooding the drainage ditches, will help in ensuring that this problem will not occur again.

*Richard Elliott-Smith,
Knapton Village Plan Steering Committee*

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Welcome to the second edition of 'Knapton News'! I have to admit that, prior to embarking on this trial period, I was anxious we may not have enough news for each edition. However, I have received so many contributions we now have 9 pages! Length of future issues will vary, depending on the level of contributions.

We have two completely new sections - the Puzzle Page and the Knapton Youth Page. The Youth Page is only a working title. We would really like the young people in the village to decide what they would like to call their page. When you are completing the Recreation Questionnaire, which is being delivered with this newsletter, maybe you would like to write on it any ideas you may have for a name you would prefer?

To receive the newsletter via email, please contact pbd49@btinternet.com

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Knapton Village Fete

Church Farm

Sunday 2 September 2007

Stalls

Children's Races

Cakes & Teas

Games

Fun day out for all the family



If you wish to help,
donate any bric-a-brac
or will bake a cake
please contact

Mrs Linda Risebrow (01263) 721278 or

Mr John Kemp (01263) 721723

Knapton Ladies Club

The Knapton Ladies have had a busy and very enjoyable couple of months. In June we had a most informative talk by Mike Cunningham, who told us about the improvements to be made to Pigneys Wood. Our President, Mary Renwick-Forster, invited us to her garden for the Summer Supper. It poured with rain but that did not dampen our spirits, or our enjoyment of the good food and wine!

We do not have a meeting in August, but a group of our members are visiting Sheringham Little Theatre to see Alan Ayckbourn's 'How the other half loves'.

Knapton Ladies had a stall at Mundesley Boat Day. By the



time the photo (left) of Vi Haynes and Jean Watmuff was taken just after lunch, we had sold almost all the homemade cakes and bric-a-brac!!

We welcome new members, who should phone 720908.

The Mobile Library

The Norfolk County Council Mobile Library Service comes to Knapton once per fortnight on a Tuesday morning at 11:10 a.m. for about 20 minutes. It parks outside the Church.

The Library will visit Knapton for the remainder of this year on the following dates:

- August 14 and 28
- September 11 and 25
- October 9 and 23
- November 6 and 20
- December 4 and 18

New members are very welcome to join.

Knapton's bid for a footpath to Mundesley

The Village Plan Steering Committee has been busy gathering information to support a bid with Active Travel, which includes a proposed footpath to Mundesley.

Active Travel is not a travel agency! It is an exciting project involving a wide range of partners, including the County Council, Local Area Partnerships, the Norfolk Rural Community Council and Cycling England, to work together to improve the provision of multi-purpose cycleways and footpaths right across the district. The primary aim is to improve access to services such as schools, health centres, leisure facilities, employment and training opportunities for all ages and abilities. The routes will be suitable for young families, older people and people with disabilities.

During June 2007, a number of consultation events were held across the district, and villages were asked to come along and put forward a case for suggested routes. Twenty-two routes were considered, and a short-list of six (of which ours is one) has been drawn up for further investigation and to identify potential costs for each scheme. Site visits have now taken place and the Project Team will meet on 31 July to discuss the list further.

Our plan, based on feedback from the Questionnaire, is to build a footpath and cycleway from Knapton Corner to Mundesley. We have supplied information to Active Travel about the advantages for this route. To support this, we pointed out that people in Knapton would be able to more easily access (without using a car) the Mundesley medical centre, pharmacy, shops, schools, Sure Start Centre, leisure activities and the beach. Also the route could be used by holidaymakers, walkers and cyclists. A priority would be appropriate access to the footpath for a range of ages and people with disabilities, as well as children and families. We have some information about the route possibly being used as an access to work. It is important to realise that the proposal

is in its early days, and information and support from the residents of Knapton is important at this stage in the bid.

When we met with representatives from Active Travel during their site visit, they took a wider view than us, and envisaged the route linking up with the Paston Way, thereby ensuring a route from Mundesley Road, North Walsham through Knapton to Mundesley. This is the route that we are currently waiting for a decision on from Active Travel. If we are successful, then more detailed planning will begin.

If you have any information, views or suggestions for the Steering Committee about this route or any other alternative or additional footpaths, please contact me (Pat Spencer) on 721375.

Patricia Spencer
Knapton Village Plan Steering Committee

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If you have any articles, letters to the editor, items for sale etc. for the next edition, the **absolute deadline for copy is 12 noon on 15 September.**

You can contact me via email at pbd49@btinternet.com, by phone 721855 or by dropping items into our letterbox at 'White Rose House', Hall Lane.

This is the second of six trial issues for Knapton News. We are eager to hear what you think of it so far, and whether we should continue after the trial period, so please do let us have some feedback!

Wishing you a happy August and September with lots of sunshine and no flooding!

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(Tricia Doidge, Editor)

CHURCH SERVICES

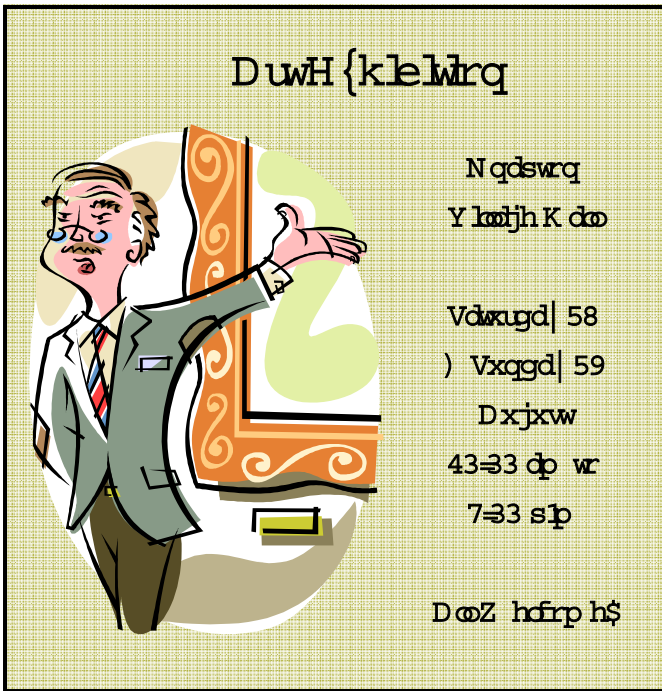
Church of St Peter & St Paul, Knapton

9:30 a.m. each Sunday (service varies; see details in the Church porch)

Knapton Methodist Church

10:00 a.m. Service and Sunday School

Featured Club — The Knapton Art Group



The Knapton Art Group was started in 1984 by Denis Haynes and is held in Knapton Village Hall.

Beginning with stalwarts including Arthur and Doris Bradley, John Stear, and Betty Hammond, they kept the Club going (with others) in summer and winter.

Apart from the initial couple of years, an 'Art Exhibition' has always been held at August Bank Holiday weekend, where a good variety of paintings can be viewed and purchased.

The Club meets on Thursday evenings from 7-9 p.m. apart from the dark evenings between Christmas and Easter, when we meet in the afternoon (2-4 p.m.).

Although not essentially teaching art, there is always lots of help from other artists in oils, water colours and pastels.

Anyone wishing to come along will be very welcome and should contact **DENIS HAYNES on 01263 720040**

Knapton Women's Own

To the delight of the committee, some 30 members and guests sat down to their Annual Strawberry Tea. Guests from neighbouring North Walsham and village non members tucked in to refreshments prepared by the committee. Side events included a bring and buy stall, raffle and hamper draw won by Ann Digby.

The event was in aid of their chosen charity for 2007, 'Break'. The successful day raised £170, with all unsold produce from the bring and buy stall being passed on to the local 'Break' charity shop, to enable them to raise more money.

The next meeting on Tuesday 4 September is the Annual General Meeting, and October's meeting will be 'Any Questions', where a panel will be tasked with various questions put to them by the members.

Return of the Cockerel

The church weather vane (our cockerel) fell foul (fowl) of the high winds earlier in the year. One Saturday morning in May, the men from Paston took down the battered cockerel to give it some TLC. On a not so sunny morning in July, our now gleaming and restored cockerel was put back in his rightful place on the church tower.

Mary Renwick-Forster



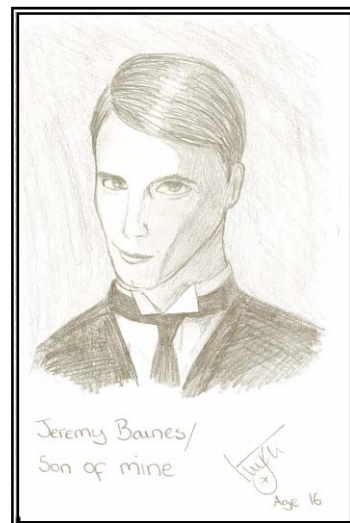
**Remember to visit the
Knapton website
www.northnorfolk.org/knapton**

KNAPTON YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

An interview with Harry Lloyd - by Izzi Gatfield

Izzi Gatfield has very enterprisingly carried out a postal interview with Harry Lloyd, who some of you will have seen recently as Will Scarlett in 'Robin Hood', and who also played Baines in two episodes of the latest version of 'Doctor Who'. Izzi sent her interview questions to Harry, who kindly returned handwritten answers.

Many thanks for this Izzi - this must surely make us one of the very few village newsletters to feature an interview with a TV star! Thanks also for your superb drawing of Harry as Jeremy Baines.



- Izzi: How did you get the part of Baines in 'Doctor Who' (oh, how original!)?
Harry: I had an audition last October (and I knew the director from a job I'd done before).
- Izzi: Apart from the 'Diving away from an exploding spaceship' scene, what was your favourite scene to shoot?
Harry: Ummm Really enjoyed the last one inside the spaceship too, when everything goes pear-shaped for the family.
- Izzi: Have you ever received an injury whilst filming (just curious)?
Harry: A fair few on this job! I got five stitches after falling in a crowded scene last series.
- Izzi: The costume you wore as Baines looked slightly uncomfortable. Was it?
Harry: A little tight in under the armpits and round the rear actually, yes!
- Izzi: Was it strange to work with David Tennant, who usually plays the Doctor, but who wasn't playing the Doctor for most of the two episodes you were in? (I'm not sure what I mean either!)
- Harry: Didn't really think about it until that scene where we see the Doctor for the first time and I thought "Ah! There he is!" And only then did I recognise all the different things he'd been doing as Smith.*
- Izzi: Wasn't it kind of painful to dive on the ground away from an explosion?
Harry: No. It was all grassy and wet, and there was a big hidden tarpaulin - it was great!
- Izzi: Was the scene in the first episode where you're miming hard to do?
Harry: Felt kind of silly but think we got away with it!
- Izzi: One last question: where the heck have I seen you before?!
- Harry: Really not sure. If it's on TV, try www.imdb.com. They have lists of all screen jobs that actors have done. Very handy for those kind of niggles.*

Here is a short biography of Harry Lloyd:



Harry Lloyd as Will Scarlett

Harry was born in London, England in 1983. He is the great, great, great grandson of the writer Charles Dickens. Harry attended Eton College and whilst there was cast as Young Steerforth in the 1999 TV adaptation of Dicken's David Copperfield, appearing with Maggie Smith and Daniel Radcliffe. In 2002 Harry appeared as Young Rivers in Goodbye Mr Chips with Martin Clunes.

He went on to study English at Christ Church, Oxford where he joined the Oxford University Dramatic Society appearing in several plays and winning plaudits for his role as Valentin in Kiss of the Spiderwoman. Harry left Oxford in Summer 2005. Since then he has had guest appearances in M.I.T Murder Investigation Team, The Bill, Holby City and played Jason Bradley the son of Rhoda (Tamzin Outhwaite) in Vital Signs at the beginning of 2006. His most recent appearances are in Doctor Who and Robin Hood.

The Methodist Church

A very successful Barn Dance was held at Southrepps Village Hall in aid of the Carpenters Arms project. Mick Wade was in charge with his enthusiastic calling, supported by Melanie Skinner on the Tombola, and Anne Caesar on the Raffle stall. A lovely ploughman's supper was provided by the combined efforts of Pearl and Barry Eves and Jane and Ernie Alexander. The evening raised a total of £672 for this very worthwhile cause.

Letters to the Editor

Message for Mischief Makers

There have recently been instances in the village where one or more persons have knocked on a door or rung the bell and then run away. Although this will be viewed by many as innocent fun, for those villagers who are elderly and infirm, it can be both upsetting and annoying. Recently one resident was sufficiently upset that the police attended. Please remember this and be considerate to those around you.

Name withheld

Thank you Everyone!

The family of David Spencer would like to thank all who came to the Celebration of his Life in the Church, and who donated to Macmillan Cancer Support and the Quidenham Children's Hospice. Overall we collected £737 for Quidenham, and £850 for Macmillan. I am sure this will help both organisations to support those with cancer, and continue the wonderful work.

Pat Spencer and family

PIGNEYS WOOD PLANTING PROJECT 2007

During the past year, apart from the normal maintenance work undertaken by volunteers, a large number of improvements have been carried out at Pigneys Wood as part of a structured plan of improvements and regeneration. The next project, entitled the 'Pigneys Wood Planting Project 2007', involves planting 7,000 plants surrounding the scrape, a shallow lagoon created to attract feeding and migratory birds to the site.

This project, which is to be carried out during the months of September, October and November is quite labour intensive and will require large numbers of volunteers to bring it to fruition. Three dates have been selected for working sessions, September 22nd, October 20th and November 24th. Each session will start at 10:00 a.m. and end at 2:00 p.m., and they are open to all members of the general public, either as individuals or in groups. As they cover 'lunchtime', it is advised that volunteers bring something to eat and drink.

It is hoped that local schools can be encouraged to assist, providing the younger generation with a valuable introduction to nature. Schools and groups should contact Sue Willis of the Griffon Area Partnership on 01692 407509, or email office@griffon.org.uk, because of the specific requirements and supervision necessitated by such groups. Schools and groups are not tied to the above dates, and provided there are sufficient numbers of volunteers, additional, more convenient dates can be arranged.

If individuals would like more information, they can contact Sue on the number above, or Peter Croot (in charge of Woodland Management) on 01603 737427 (petercroot@fsmail.net).

We cannot underestimate the importance of volunteers to the continued success of this project. Please do come along, bring the family and a picnic, and have a great day helping this worthwhile venture while having lots of fun and making new friends!



FOR SALE

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 Excellent condition
 Well maintained and serviced (bills available)
 Very economical
 CD stacker 1 year's MOT
£1,900 ono

01263 721624 (Hall Lane)

Puzzle Page

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I	V
J	W
K	X
L	Y
M	Z

The Word Puzzle

Instructions

The numbers 1 to 26 represent all the letters of the alphabet. To solve the puzzle you need to determine which number stands for which letter.

To get you started you have been given 3 letters. So, as P is assigned to the number 2 enter P wherever the number 2 appears in the grid. Do this for letters A and N then off you go!

Some tips; E and A are probably the most used letters, adjacent same letters are not likely to be qq or ii or uu etc, if you have the letters 'e' or 'd', look for words ending with 'ed'.

It is helpful if you cross out each letter you solve in the A-Z box provided. Also, write those letters in the other box.

Good luck!

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SUDOKU

Level of difficulty - Medium

Many thanks to Norman Dodd for supplying these puzzles. Solutions will be printed in Issue 3.

If you think they are too difficult, complain to him, not me!!

Tricia (Editor)

What's on in Knapton

August:

- 7 Knapton Women's Own Summer Outing
 25-26 Knapton Art Group. Art Exhibition (Village Hall) 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day

September:

- 2 Knapton Summer Fete 2:00 p.m. (Church Farm)
 4 Knapton Women's Own Annual General Meeting. 2:15 p.m. (The Chapel)
 14 Harvest Supper 7:00 p.m. for 7:30 p.m. (Village Hall)
 18 Age 13-19 years Recreation Group 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (MADRA)
 22 Pigneys Wood Volunteer Day (see article on page 6 for further details)
 22 Age 8-12 years Recreation Group 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. (Village Hall)
 17 Knapton Ladies Club 7:30 p.m. (Village Hall)
 The Norwich Riverside - Still Life Talks

October:

- 2 Knapton Women's Own - Any Questions? 2.15 p.m. (The Chapel)
 15 Knapton Ladies Club 7:30 p.m. (Village Hall)
 Happsburgh and its Lighthouse (Carol Palfrey)
 20 Pigneys Wood Volunteer Day (see article on page 6 for further details)

November:

- 5 Bonfire Night (MADRA)
 6 Knapton Women's Own - Christmas Party
 19 Knapton Ladies Club 7:30 p.m. (Village Hall) AGM, Beetle Drive and Christmas Raffle
 24 Pigneys Wood Volunteer Day (see article on page 6 for further details)

December:

- 4 Knapton Women's Own Christmas Dinner
 10 Knapton Ladies Club Christmas Lunch. The Beechwood Hotel, North Walsham

Weekly events:

- Mondays Pilates 1:45 p.m. (Village Hall)
 Wednesdays Keep Fit 7:00 p.m. (Village Hall)



KNAPTON HARVEST SUPPER

Friday 14 September 2007

7:00 p.m. for 7:30 p.m.

Knapton Village Hall

Tickets £5.00

available from

Pearl Eves Tel: 722884

Bring your own wine and glasses!

Bottle Bank in Knapton!

For those who are not aware, there is a bottle bank for recycling in the village. It is located at MADRA, on the Hall Lane side of the club house.

Please do not be misled by the colour of the bin (brown) or its attached label "Brown Bottles Only". You can actually recycle any colour of bottle in this bin. The bin is hired by MADRA from NNDC's Recycling Scheme. It is emptied regularly, so please feel free to use this facility as often as you wish.

Norman Dodd, Secretary, MADRA

Knapton Village Hall

Weekly Programme

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	CONTACT
Monday	1:45 / 2:45 p.m.	Pilates	01328 851970
Monday	7:30 p.m.	Knapton Ladies Club (third Monday of month only)	01263 720908
Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting (first Tuesday of month only)	
Tuesday	7:30 p.m.	Knapton Village Hall Management Committee (occasional meetings)	
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Keep Fit	01263 720840
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Knapton Art Group	01263 720040
Friday	Evening	Mundesley Players Rehearsals	
Sunday	Evenings	Mundesley Players Rehearsals	

To hire the Village Hall,
contact Jean Clark (Village Hall Secretary) 01263 720680

PLEASE KEEP THIS SHEET FOR FUTURE REFERENCE