

# KNIVETON NEWS



KNIVETON'S ONLY PAPER  
DECEMBER-JANUARY 2007/8



## Happy workers at Kniveton 2007 Harvest Supper



### **CHURCH AND CHAPEL HARVEST CELEBRATIONS**

The Chapel Harvest Auction and the two services raised a magnificent £730 most of which has been distributed to local amenities and Good causes. The Chapel would like to express their appreciation for all the help and contributions. The amount was significantly up on last years total.

Once again a Village Hall full of happy and hungry diners for the Church Harvest Supper and they were treated to a very appetising steak pie meal and an assortment of delicious sweets. The Ladies who prepared and presented these delicious meals really did everyone present proud. The meal was followed by enthusiastic singing of Hymns and a raffle. The evening raised a very commendable £367 which will be donated to the Church. On the following Monday night the produce donated to the Church Harvest service was auctioned off. This Auction raised £166.05 also to be donated to the Church.

## **DECEMBER DIARY**

2. Church 10.30 a.m. Family Communion  
Flowers – see article
2. W.I. Christmas Dinner Brackendale Restaurant
5. Paper and Glass Collection
9. Chapel – Rev Tim Morris Holy Communion  
Church – Band Concert – see article.
10. Well Dressing committee meeting 7.30 p.m.
12. Whist Drive – see article
13. Get Together Club – Christmas Dinner the Abbot's Bromley
13. Green Waste Collection
15. Community Waste collection – see article
16. Chapel – 6.30 p.m. Carol Service – see article
- 16.. Church – 10.30 a.m. Carol Service.
19. Paper and Glass Collection
24. Church – Crib service - 6 p.m. at Hulland
24. Church – 11.30 p.m. Midnight Communion at Bradley
25. Church – At Kniveton 10.30 am communion by extension
- 24& 25 Methodist services - see article
28. Green waste collection
30. Church – Morning Service 10.30 a.m. at Atlow

## **JANUARY DIARY 2008**

3. Paper and Glass Collection (note this is Thursday)
6. Church – 10.30 a.m Holy Communion  
Flowers – Mrs J.Rose & Mrs Harding Newman
9. Whist Drive
10. Green Bin Collection
13. Chapel – Joint service at Hulland, Covenant Service 2.30 p.m.
16. WI Paul Thorn the undertaker is giving a talk
16. Paper and Glass collection
20. Church 10.30 a.m Family Service
21. Church Council Meeting. 7.30 p.m.
22. Parish Council Meeting 7.45 p.m. Village Hall
23. Village Hall Meeting 7.30 p.m. Village Hall
24. Green Bin Collection
27. Chapel – 11.00 a.m. Joint Church/Chapel Family service.  
Rev Mark Broad Hurst. Families especially welcome  
Especially for children and the Family
30. Paper and Glass collection

# ONE WORLD

Climate change has been on the world's agenda for a very long time. [40 years]. It would seem that the reality of this threat is becoming increasingly obvious as the effects of the changes taking place appear more frequently. A polar bear marooned on a small ice-berg far from land plus the terrible consequences of flooding in the most vulnerable areas of the planet as ocean levels rise. Parts of the U.K. have already experienced the disaster of local flooding with all the discomfort that entailed. In the heat of the tropics the dangers of disease, the loss of cattle and human life are accompanied by the lack of resources and facilitate, the spread of pests are adding to the fatalities of man and beast and invariably lack of clean water. Our own national Cattle and sheep are now in the range of the deadly "Blue Tongue", a midge borne disease first identified in South Africa in the 1890s. This fatal illness {Only in sheep} has worked its way north into Europe and now owing to the mild weather is moving west and North into the U.K. The most damaging effects are now hitting hardest at the poorest people on the planet.



When we address the question, Who is responsible for the situation we are in to-day; the answer lies undeniably with the rich countries of the world. Our citizens on average put the same amount of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere in 22 weeks that someone in Tanzania puts in their whole life time. (New Economic Foundation) Christians believe that because our consumption of the worlds resources is so great, we have an obligation towards those living in poverty, who, to-day are directly at the point of greatest hurt and need as a consequence of our life style. In the UK Christians are campaigning for stronger climate change bills and encouraging people to urgently examine and seek to change their life style. A painless start is plastic carrier bags, take a re-usable one the next time we go shopping avoid picking up more.

We all need to commit ourselves to learning about the changes that are required, and to embark on the long and difficult road toward halting the dangers on behalf of our children's children. This could be the greatest, most loving present we can offer, as the gift of Peace and Good-will when celebrating this Christmas Season.

With Greetings and best wishes, Sister Merle.

## **METHODIST CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVENTS**

The following activities 7<sup>th</sup> to 10 December will take place in the Methodist Church and Century Hall

7<sup>th</sup> Ashbourne Late Night Shopping – Soup in the Methodist Church

8<sup>th</sup> The Church will be open between 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Refreshments will be served throughout the day

National Children's Home "Come and Sing at Christmas" 6 – 6.45 p.m

Arts, Craft and Hobbies display 1 p.m to 4 p.m Century Hall

9<sup>th</sup> December 10.30 am Sunday morning service Rev Tim Morris

2pm to 5pm The Church is open for viewing.

6.30 p.m. Evening service Rev Mair Bradley

10<sup>th</sup> December The church will be open between 9 am to 1pm

2 pm Christingle service for pre school children and parents

9<sup>th</sup> 2.30 pm Kniveton Rev Tim Morris Holy Communion

16<sup>th</sup> 6.30 p.m. Carol Service at Kniveton . Sister Merle

24<sup>th</sup> at 11.15 pm Christmas Eve communion at Ashbourne

24<sup>th</sup> December at 4.00pm Church Service at the lovely tiny church at Milldale.

25<sup>th</sup> December at 10 a.m. Christmas Family celebration at Ashbourne.

31<sup>st</sup> December at 11.15 p.m. Circuit Watchnight Service at Ashbourne Methodist Church

Everyone is made most welcome at all of these services and events.

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## **DONATIONS RECEIVED**

Throughout the year donations of money have been made to the Newsletter. Mary and Ray would like to express their very grateful thanks for all these donations. All monies received goes solely to the cost of producing the Newsletter enabling the distribution of free copies of the Newsletter to every household in the village, school children and many other persons and organisations associated with the village. A circulation of 240 Newsletters. Mary and Ray wish all our readers a very Merry Christmas and a very successful New Year.

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## **THE KETCH AT CHRISTMAS**

Your hosts Paul and Kevin the South African Chef welcome you to the Ketch. The Christmas Menu's are available from the end of November and December. Opening times 12 to 3pm for Lunch , 6 to 9 pm for Dinner. Open all day at weekends for drinks. Please visit our future events – Jazz nights and Steak nights.

Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year from all at the Ketch

## **FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY**

Yet another year has passed and like most families and businesses we re-  
view the past year and plans and for the coming year. The Kniveton News or  
Newsletter as it was originally called is also involved in this head scratching  
and soul searching process. If you have any ideas, suggestions or things that  
you feel would be of interest to the people of Kniveton, Mary Vaughan and  
Ray Frampton will be pleased to hear from you. Every two months we beaver  
around (sometimes frantically) trying to find items of interest to include and  
we are always very grateful to receive interesting snippets of infor-  
mation and articles. How about making one of your New Year resolutions  
to make at least one suggestion to the Kniveton News.

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## **BUSINESS SUCCESS**

Many congratulations to Caroline, daughter of Elaine Hopkin, and Caroline's  
partner Phil, both battled against adversity to win a prestigious Barclays  
Trading Places Award. This award is supported by such notable organisa-  
tions as The Princes Trust and recognises the efforts and determination to  
triumph over such adversities as Caroline's Skin Cancer to succeed in their  
innovative new business. Their company produces simple, solid secure stor-  
age units for Motorcycles, Mobility scooters and other small attractive items.

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## **CHURCH FLOWERS**

At Christmas the Church is decorated by volunteers and the  
flowers are purchased from donations received. Any person or  
family wishing to make a donation should give their donation to  
Pam Stafford or anyone on the Church committee. The arrange-  
ment of the flowers is carried out by volunteers. Again contact  
Pam or any committee member if you wish to volunteer.

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## **WHIST DRIVE**

The October Whist Drive raised £77.46 for Village Hall Funds. The Decem-  
ber Whist Drive is part two of the "Biggy" for Cancer Research UK. A major  
part of the fund raising effort is a village wide Raffle. Raffle tickets are now  
on sale and can be obtained from John and Nancy Bradbury and Gwen  
Sargeant. They will also be pleased to receive any raffle prizes which you  
wish to contribute. Last year this whist Drive and Raffle raised an amazing  
£765. With your help we can top that. It has not yet been decided which good  
cause will benefit from the January 2008 Whist Drive



# tots tinsel time!

calling all Kniveton babies and toddlers!

hello everyone,

my name is Rosie and I'm 2 and a bit now...I'd really like to meet you all, so I've asked mummy if we can have a Christmas get together. She said we can have some yummy treats and mums, dads or whoever you ask to bring you along can have some hot tea and grown-up biscuits.

*Please come along, I'm pretty good at sharing my toys and I promise we'll have fun. Mummy says she might even get the craft box out so we'll have something bright to take home!*

Date Friday December 7<sup>th</sup>  
Time 1.30-3.30  
Place Kniveton Carr, opposite the school car park

Please let mummy - Charlotte - know on 345054 or pop the slip through our front door letterbox

*Changing facilities, bottle/food warming and refreshments provided for adults and toddlers alike. Also open to friends of the school and your grandchildren*

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( ) Yes we'd love to! Our details are below

( ) We can't make it, but here are our details for future get togethers

Parent/ Guardian Name.....

Child name & age .....

Best way of contacting you? Email/phone/postal address:



I would like to thank everyone who supported me during my first year of trading and to wish you all a very merry Christmas and Happy New Year. I look forward to welcoming customers old and new next year, you may call in at the workshop on the Airfield at any time, alternatively you can telephone and arrange a meeting.

Thank you, James Howe Tel: 01335-347886

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## **WELL DRESSING MEETING**

A Well Dressing meeting was held on the 12<sup>th</sup> November. Paul Thorne had been approached to join the meeting having been earlier primed as to the fresh thinking of the committee concerning the changing of the format of the Well decorations. Paul presented mock up suggestions for four of the wells. The committee discussed the designs at great length. At the end of the meeting there was a distinct air of optimism. A further meeting was arranged for 10<sup>th</sup> December. The committee is not going to announce the outcome of their deliberating until next year for fear that other villages copying our ideas.

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## **BAND CONCERT.SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DEC.7.00PM**

Following the success of last year's concert Ashbourne Town Band is again joining us in Church for a concert on the evening of Sunday 9th December. The Band promises a varied programme of light music, which will include a Christmas medley. The music will be interspersed by readings with a Christmas theme, presented by Barbara Bygraves, so we are in for a treat. The concert is sponsored by Derbyshire Dales District Council so there is no charge for entrance. Tea and coffee will be served in the interval, and there will be a retiring collection in aid of the Kniveton Church Development Fund

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*The Get Together Club*  
*The programme for 2008 can be found as a*  
*pull out at the centre of the magazine*



## **LOCAL BEAT OFFICER UPDATE**

**Dec 2007 / Jan 2008**

This past two months we've had some thefts, and we've had a good result thanks to a call from a member of the public. We held a Crime Prevention event, and the response has suggested it may be worth doing more. We've had a number of phone calls about a variety of suspicious vans, around our area. Officers did attend and make searches of the areas. Some have been checked, but some vans were not found. The details provided by callers were noted.

The importance of these calls was shown on the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2007, when a local resident on our area, reported a vehicle parked in an unusual place late at night. They provided the vehicle details and a good description. Officers did attend and the vehicle had gone. The following morning a Horsebox was found to have been stolen from that area. We were reminded of the initial call by the public, and as a result enquiries were made by Nottinghamshire Police and the Horsebox recovered. One male was arrested, and is currently on bail as enquiries continue. We are now trying to locate a second male. Please keep ringing in with information on anything you feel is suspicious. It is worth it!

A cast iron bath was taken from a field off Standlow Lane, Kniveton, sometime between 19th and 22nd October 2007.

On the night of Thursday, 8th November 2007, we had a Vauxhall Van broken into whilst parked on a driveway at Parwich. A window was smashed to gain access and a nail gun was stolen from the vehicle. The same night, also at Parwich, entry was forced to an outbuilding by removing a padlock and chain. Nothing was taken. A resident did take note of an unusual van that was passing through the village in the early hours. He did follow it, but the occupants threw a set of temporary traffic lights across the road, in front of him, so he was unable to continue to do so. We are still making enquires into this vehicle.

Sometime between 12th and 15th November 2007, a gate was damaged at Map-



pleton. It seemed that someone had tried to gain access to a private garden, and in doing so damaged a gate.

Between 7.10am and 7.55 am, Tuesday 20th November 2007, a ground floor window was smashed, and access gained to The Ketch Pub, Kniveton. Nothing was taken. The same morning a pub at Hollington found it had also been broken into.

On Monday 19th November 2007 a Crime Prevention event was held from 4pm to 8pm, at Tissington village hall. A Crime Reduction Officer, and a Police Community Support Officer, attended along with myself. About 50 people attended, coming from Tissington, Thorpe, Bradbourne, Mappleton, and Alsop en le Dale. A variety of items were sold including Smartwater, Driveway Alarms, and Shed Alarms. Plenty of free bits were also given out. The event was well received by those attending and some time into the New Year I may try and do similar events at other village halls.

A few people have commented that the old phone number for Ashbourne Police Station, (01335 300022), doesn't seem to work. Please rub this one out of your phone books. The Force, like many others, now has Call Centres, and all Non Emergency callers are asked to contact us on – 0845 1233333. When this system was introduced a few years ago, in the initial stages, the old Ashbourne number did work, but redirected you into the Call Centres. The old number has now been closed down completely.

Please keep ringing in with your information, and please enjoy your Christmas and New Year Celebrations.

**Ian COOPER Police Constable 1525**  
**20th Nov 2007**

**Please remember if you see, hear, or are told about someone that is acting suspiciously, or causing a nuisance, please make a note of any details. Registration numbers, good descriptions, are very helpful. Please ring us, if possible at the time. You do not have to give your details, you will be asked for them, but you can decline and remain anonymous.**

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

At the Parish Council meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> of November discussions took place on the situation concerning the holiday complex at Stanlow Farm. There is a difference of opinion between the owners and The Parish Council and the Planning Authorities. The owners apparently feel they are keeping within the Planning agreement. The Parish council and the Planning Authorities state that the owners are in breach of the planning agreement. Print outs of the owners web sites were presented as further evidence that the owners are in breach. Further discussion and action is anticipated

Discussions have been taking place on the proposed Car Park at the bottom of the Village, Progress has not been made. Councillors will be holding further discussion with the owner of the land and the planning authority in an endeavour to resolve the impasse. At the discussions of the proposed Village Play Area it was stated that the School could possibly have a source of finance that could help the progress of this project. This information will be passed on to the project committee to progress further.

The question of flooding at the bottom of the village was discussed. It was felt that the sewage culvert at the bottom of the village was in need of investigation as it was feared that it was partially blocked. It was also felt that there was an increase in the volume of water flowing through this culvert due possibly due to the increase of rain water being added to the sewage from possibly new developments in the village.

Councillor Bradbury raised the matter of a pavement on the side of Longrose Lane opposite the school. Further discussions will take place.

Mr Harrison the recently appointed Footpath Warden was in attendance. A general discussion took place which included the Jitty and the source of supply of marker post, signs and Stiles which Mr Harrison stated would be required.

The next meeting will be held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 7.45p.m.

## BOB'S BIT - CHRISTMAS

One of the Christmas traditions before the last war was the Carol Singing. On Christmas Eve it was the long trek around the Parish visiting the scattered farms and cottages. It was an all male voice affair. Music was supplied by "Uncle" Jim Mather and his brother Tom with their Clarinets.

At first there would be twenty five or more but the numbers dwindled as the night wore on, very few made it to Woodhead and back home up Foxhole Lane in the early hours of the morning. At night on Christmas Day the singing was in the village and a few ladies would join in. The proceeds were used to fund the singers supper which took place early in the New Year and was a great social event.

The Carols we sang portrayed the true meaning of Christmas. Peace on Earth good will towards men. In those days there were no distractions. The wireless was in its infancy and television had not been invented.

Now we have the computers and a bewildering range of electronic gadget with the potential for good or evil. Christmas has been commandeered by the commercial moguls who exploit it to their advantage, but it is still a festive season to be enjoyed in the company of friends and family. Happy Christmas.

Bob Goodall  
Father Christmas



## A SPECIAL BIG THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank some “very special people” on the Hallsteads.

“Auntie Em and Uncle Marty” Thank you for your help, Love and advise you have given to me and Tilly over the past year, through the good and the bad times. Martin for taking on the roll of a father figure for Tilly and giving me the encouragement that I needed and for being a shoulder to cry on!, and of course the Jagger Mister. You all play an important role in mine and Tilly’s life. Thank You xxxx

Uncle Bri. What can I say! You are brilliant. Thanks for all the Brews, dinners and cakes for Tilly. For everything you have done for us we both could not be without you, and of course a special big thank you to Brian’s daughter for our special pressie. Thank you xxxx

Auntie Barbara and Uncle Roy, for those late night and early morning hospital visits. For Roy’s expertise. We are both Thankful. I have never used the same shampoo bottle again

Auntie Ceels and uncle Matty! (what does that remind you of Ceels?) Thank you for being Tilly’s first visitor, also for Tilly’s early morning cries and for my dryer being on 24/7 xxxx

Auntie Dora, the girl racer!, and uncle Andrew xxxx for baby sitting baby Tilly and putting up with me after one too many! Being there as a friend, Thank You

Tilly is coming clubbing with you guys when she is old enough.

Pauline and Helen for those wild Karaoke nights xxxx

From Natalie and Tilly

### **KNIVETON COMMUNITY WASTE COLLECTION**

On the 15<sup>th</sup> December there will be a bulk waste collection in Kniveton.

Collections as follows:-

7.45 a.m. to 8.15a.m. The Ketch

8.20 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. Chapel Lane

9.05 a.m. to 9.45 a.m. The Hallsteads

## **FUNNY THINGS KIDS SAY... (ABOUT CHRISTMAS!)**

**MY daughter was playing Mary and forgot her lines so she adlibbed, telling Joseph: 'I'm having a baby - oh, and it's not yours...'**

**WE took our grandchildren with some of their pals to a carol service. One of them asked: "Where's Carol?"**

**MY friend's little girl told me she had been to see Santa in his grotto. She said she asked for a Barbie doll and told him if he hadn't already got one in his workshop he could find it in Toys R Us.**

**I WAS at my friend's house when her six-year-old son poked his head round the door and said: "Mum, you know I wanted a bike for Christmas? Well I don't need it now. I just found one behind your wardrobe!"**

**A FRIEND'S two little girls were looking at a picture of the Virgin Mary holding Baby Jesus.**

**"That's Mary," said the older girl, "and that's her baby Jesus in her arms."**

**"Where's Jesus's dad then?" asked her little sister.**

**"Oh he is the one taking the picture," replied her sister.**

**AT my grandson's nativity play, the third wise man was hilarious when he marched up to the manger and bellowed: "Frank sent this!"**

**MY nine-year-old son was learning the world's capital cities.**

**"What's Istanbul the capital of?" he asked me. Hinting at Turkey, I said:**

**"We eat a lot of it at Christmas." "Greece," he replied.**

**So much for our cooking, then.**

**IN my granddaughter's nativity play, the crib collapsed as Mary placed the baby Jesus in it. Quick as a flash the headmistress stepped up and asked:**

**"Is there a carpenter in the house? Besides Joseph?"**

# KIDS' PAGES

Years 5 and 6 have been learning how to write poetry on *weather* using imagery such as metaphors, similes and personification.

We are very proud of our work and hope you enjoy reading them.

## FOG

Like clouds falling from the Heavens,  
Joining hands around you,  
Following you like a little brother,  
A white box trapping you,  
A mysterious force working its way into your mind,  
Now, nothing makes sense,  
You doubt yourself.  
Finally,  
You realise what you should do....  
Just wait until you see the light,  
If it will ever end....!

By Luke Power

### **CLOUDY DAYS**

In the sky,  
Floating like candyfloss,  
Pure, white against the fluorescent sky.  
Puffing across the land  
Like a steam train.  
The clouds ... fluffy enough  
To bounce on.  
Like a bed with jumpy, springs.  
Looking comfier than a feather filled mattress  
Silk quilt on top.  
Magnificent.

By Amy Griffiths.

### **THE FOG**

Lost,  
In a translucent jungle.  
Arms hugging around the world.  
TRAPPED in a room with no escape.  
A monster surrounding its prey,  
Claustrophobia creeping in,  
Like a mouse trap but without the cheese,  
Ready to pounce!  
The constant cold around the ground,  
Will it ever end?

By Daniel Hollins.

### **SNOWY WEATHER**

Like a man throwing a picnic blanket over the world,  
As cold as a freezer,  
As white as cotton wool,  
As soft as modelling clay,  
Like some one wrapping their cold arms  
Around the world.  
Trapping the cold in,  
Like someone putting the world in an ice cube,  
Inviting Jack Frost in.

By James Wigham.

### **RAINBOWS**

Like God's colourful shoelace in the sky,  
An artist painting,  
A laser shooting in the sky,  
Like a comet.  
Shooting!  
Trailing!  
Like a bright scimitar  
Hovering in the sky,  
A bean stalk,  
A slide coming to earth,  
A sad and happy face.  
Looking!

By Thomas Jones.



## **RAINBOWS**

An artist painting the sky,  
Like a colourful bridge across the sky,  
A flower bed of colour,  
Like a red arrow shooting  
Smiling, across the world,  
A gold deer leaping.

By George Baker.

Smiling, spreading across the world,  
Like a shooting star,  
Travelling around the world,  
Waving to everyone,  
Artists colouring the sky,  
Bright colour blinding us.  
Colour! Colour!  
Everywhere.

By Celine Spencer

# KNIVETON WI

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Wine tasting was the order of the day at Kniveton WI's meeting in October and November was our AGM and Social.

WE are having a Birthday Dinner at Brackendale Restaurant on Sunday 2nd December . Our meeting in January is be a talk by Paul Thorn who lives in the village and used to be an Undertaker.

You will find a pull out section at the centre of this edition of Kniveton News with the programme for the forthcoming year. We do hope more ladies from the Village will visit a meeting just to see if they like WI.

Mary Vaughan

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HAPPY 1ST BIRTHDAY

TILLY GRACE KATIE  
LOUISE WALKER  
(at the Hallsteads)

ON CHRISTMAS EVE

Wishing you a very happy  
birthday darling all my love  
and so much more

Love

Mummy

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# Kniveton Contacts

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Rector	Chris Mitchell	372138
Church Wardens	John Bradbury	01629 540319
	Jane Methuen	342413
Chapel	Sister Merle	343793
Youth Club	Paul & Fiona Brown	346564
Neighbourhood Watch	Situation vacant	-
Kniveton WI	Pam Stafford	345716
Kniveton Well Dressing	Sue Lang	344093
Village Hall	Nancy Bradbury	01629540319
	Allison Williams	345908
Ashbourne	Scouts	
	Cubs	
	Beavers	343059
Ashbourne	Rainbows	
	Brownies	
	Guides	360781
Ashbourne Police	PC Cooper	0845 1233333
The Red Lion Kniveton	Graham	345554
The Ketch Kniveton	Lynsey	342341
Household Waste Collections	DDDC	341009
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Kniveton Newsletter Diary	Mike Armstrong	345707
Get Together Club	Liz Howe	346078
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## **Patrick McLoughlin**

### **Member of Parliament**

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## **POLICE**

**Non Emergency 0845 1233333**  
(Suspicious incidents etc. requiring prompt  
attention and routine calls)

**EMERGENCY 999**



## GREASE COMES TO KNIVETON

On Saturday 17th November the Village Hall hosted a 'sing-along' evening based around the film Grease.

This was hosted by Paul & Jean Thorne from Rosemary's' Cottage and about 50 attended. The evening cost £6 per head and commenced with a fish and chip supper. Then the film with sub titles, and we all sang along! Some certainly did dress to impress. Dave Bott impressed all with his hair and Andy Gurney and Gareth Butterfield with their quiffs.

Half way through the film was an interval with our 'celebrity' ice cream seller. The raffle also raised money for Paul favourite Charity—The Smile Train, which restored the faces of disadvantaged children with facial deformities such as Cleft pallets and hair lips to the tune of £194. The film then carried on and dancing followed thanks to Doug McConnachie and his sound system.

A great time was had by all and we all await the next performance.

**Thanks from all to Paul and Jean for arranging such an excellent evening and to Doug for all his technical expertise.**

