



KNIVETON NEWS



KNIVETON'S ONLY NEWSPAPER

FEBRUARY – MARCH 2008

A GREAT START TO THE NEW YEAR AT THE RED LION

What a good time was had by all. The new Landlord's at the Red Lion advertised a Fancy Dress



Party with free disco and buffet. Doug McConnachie did us proud with his Disco and the buffet was lovely. The costumes were really amazing too. From Ghandi to Nell Gwyn, Elvis (X 2) to a 'Man of

The Cloth' who brought a 'Lady of the Night'. Ghandi and his Wife (in a sari) had a bit of a problem with the dancing as they kept coming unwound.

Elvis's hairdo seemed to be getting a little out of control as well. But really, a really happy evening spent amongst friends to start the Year in the right way.

Thanks to David, Brian and Doug for all their hard work.



FEBRUARY DIARY

3. Church – Holy Communion at 10.30 a.m.
Lent no flowers Cleaning Mrs Brown and Mrs Broughton
6. Church - Ash Wednesday Holy Communion
7.30 p.m. at Hognaston.
7. Green Bin Collection
7. Get Together Club 2.00 p.m. "Nigel" see change of date)
10. Chapel – Rev Tim Morris 2.30.p.m. Holy Communion
10. Church - Taize Service at Kniveton 6.30 p.m.
13. Blue Box collection
13. Whist Drive in aid of Sat Nav for First Responders
See article on the Whist Drive.
14. Valentines night at the Ketch see article
17. Church - Family Service 10.30 a.m.
20. W.I. "Crystal Fountain" Hostesses Nancy and Jill
21. Green Bin Collection
24. Chapel – Joint Church/Chapel Family Service 11.00 a.m.
All families especially Children are made most welcome
The service will be taken by Sister Merle.
- 27 Blue Box collection
"Gourmet Grill with Jazz" at the Ketch. See article

WHIST DRIVE

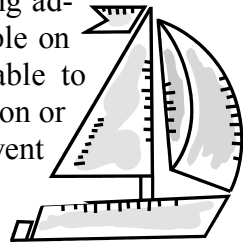
The "Biggy" Whist Drive and raffle in November and December in aid of Cancer UK raised a magnificent £625. Nancy, John and Gwen would like to give a very big thank you to all who provided prizes, purchased tickets and came to the Whist Drives. Regrettable there has been over the years a slow decline in the number of people attending the Whist Drives. John and Nancy are hoping that this trend can be reversed. The Whist Drives are held in the Village Hall on the Second Wednesday of every month and apart from providing a very valuable source of revenue for good causes, it also provides a very enjoyable local evenings entertainment. It starts at 8.p.m. and costs £1 which includes refreshments. You don't have to be an expert Whist player and it is very uncompetitive, just good fun. Why not give it a try – you will be surprised. Contact John or Nancy if you want more information. Any donation of Whist and raffle prizes is always appreciated and adds to the amount given to the nominated good cause.

MARCH DIARY

2. Church – Mothering Sunday Family Communion 10.30 a.m.
Flowers – Donations for Easter Lilies – see article
2. Mothers Day at the Ketch see article
6. Green Bin Collection
8. Community Waste Collection – see article
9. Chapel John Dyster 2.30 p m
9. Church Iona service at Kniveton 6.30 p.m.
12. Blue Box collection
12. Whist Drive - good cause to be decided
See article on the Whist Drive.
16. Church – Palm Sunday Family Service 10.30 a.m.
Church – Compline 8.00 p.m. at Hulland
17. St Patrick’s Day at the Ketch see article
19. W.I. Ashbourne Fire Service. Hostesses Alison & Barbara
20. Church – Maundy Thursday Holy Communion 7.30 p.m. at Atlow
20. Green bin collection
20. Get Together Club Trip to “Personally Yours” Chocolate 11 a.m.
21. Church – Good Friday Service 10.30 a.m. at Bradley
23. Church – Easter Day Eucharist Service 11 a.m..
23. Chapel – Communion at 2.30 p.m. with Sister Merle
26. Blue Box collection
30. Regret no Family Service this month at Chapel

EVENTS AT THE KETCH

The Ketch has prepared a series of events throughout the year. The ones occurring in February and March have been included in the Diaries and future events will be included in subsequent issues of the Kniveton News as well as being advertised at the Ketch. Meals will be available on the evenings of the events but it is advisable to make reservations (01335 342341). Any person or parties that just want to go along for the event will be made most welcome.



The Get Together Club

Our article has been missed from the last two editions so this month we have a lot to report.

Steve Parker of Natural Choice came to the village hall and gave his talk on natural products for our August meeting. Although a lot of our members were not available for this meeting I think those who did attend really enjoyed it.

Brilliant sunshine blessed us for the Mystery Tour in September, we took in local villages including Brassington, Tissington, Milldale and Alstonefield to name a few, then called in Cromford at Market Place Restaurant for lunch. A number of us visited the basket works in Cromford afterwards. The sunshine and excellent food made this a really nice day out.

Our October meeting was in the village hall when we welcomed back David Tideswell. This time David was talking about robins in the garden. David in his usual style had us all laughing throughout the meeting but also told us a lot of things we didn't know about the robin. We will invite David back again next year to tell us about different birds in the garden. At this meeting we welcomed three new members and hope they will all continue to join us throughout the coming year.

November 15th saw us out and about again, this time at Chatsworth Shops; the Christmas decorations and food were displayed for us to see and buy. We had lunch at the Grouse and Claret in Rowsley which I think we all enjoyed. Once again the sun shone on us.

December 20th was our Christmas meal at Abbott's Bromley. We all looked forward to this, especially this year, as the farm we were

Visiting was John Bradbury's cousin. I think everyone really enjoyed this as a lot of members have asked for a return visit. Mrs Hollins and her staff made us feel very welcome and the food was very very good.

Our programme for next year is available and if you would like a copy please contact Liz (346078) or Margaret (344064)

The Get Together Club

Change of Date

Please note our first meeting will be on the 7th

February not the 21st as first advertised .

There is no meeting on the 21st February.

Mary Vaughan and Ray Frampton would like to apologise for the late arrival of your Kniveton News.

This is due to a printer failure at Hul-land Church and illness in both families. Hopefully we will be back to normal service next time.

Mary Vaughan

Confirmation at St. Mary's Tissington.

Due to an Editorial oversight this article comes to Kniveton news a little late!

Nevertheless, it was a beautiful day and a stunning setting for the confirmation service at Tissington on Sunday 4th November when Ben and Alex Taylor Grout, of Kniveton were among the candidates before Bishop Alistair, the Bishop of Derby. The Church was full with family and friends of the nine candidates and though the turnout from the regular congregation from Kniveton was somewhat disappointing both Churchwardens and some PCC members were there to support our candidates. It is some time since we had any confirmation candidates from Kniveton, and we are particularly glad to welcome Ben and Alex as full members of our church community. They have been regular members of the congregation for several years.

Since their confirmation they have joined us and made their communion both at both Advent and Epiphany, and have read the lesson at the January family service. Welcome again Ben and Alex, in print this time .It is very good to have you with us.

Carol Service Sunday 16th.December

It was lovely to see the church was packed for this service and so beautifully decorated for the occasion by Pam Stafford and her team. The Kniveton School infants presented their Nativity Play which delighted the congregation, and were well supported by their families. The readers included Ben Taylor Grout, as well as our regular readers, and the singing was supported by our organist Margaret Lesley. Molly Armstrong and her team provided delicious mince pies after the service. Thank you to everyone who came to join us and to all who helped in whatever capacity. Particular thanks to Sue Cartledge for giving up her weekend to bring the children to our service. It is so good to see our Church School taking such an active part in our community life.

Band Concert

Sunday December 9th. was wet and cold but despite this there was a reasonably good turnout for the Ashbourne Town Band concert in the Church in the evening. This concert has become the traditional start for Kniveton's pre- Christmas celebrations , and it went with a swing . The band gave us a great and varied programme, and especially impressive was the flugelhorn solo. I am afraid I failed to take note of the soloist's name, but particular thanks to him, and to all the other musicians. It is particularly encouraging to see youngsters performing so confidently. The readings from Barbara Bygraves and Jane Methuen were also well received especially the pieces by Gervase Phinn, and everyone made short work of the Fair Trade refreshments at the end of the performance; Many thanks to Molly Armstrong and her band of helpers for providing these. A retiring collection raised money towards the Church improvement Fund.

The Brown Family Ensemble

As most Knivetonians will know, Paul Brown of Hillocks Farm is a Lay reader and takes services in the Benefice on a regular basis. But the Brown talent does not stop there. His wife Fiona and son Matthew play the piano, and daughter Harriet the flute, and they are now all playing for some of our services in Kniveton, taking some of the pressure off Margaret Lesley, who remains our chief organist. Matthew and Fiona take turns in playing the organ and Harriet accompanies some hymns on the flute and also plays solo during the distribution of communion. This is wonderful. They have at the moment a somewhat limited repertoire but it is fast expanding. They play with great confidence and Matthew has been spotted and is now having organ lessons at school. They played on Christmas Day and again at Epiphany. Many thanks are due to them all for their enthusiasm and the high standard of their playing. Come and hear them if you who are not regular church goers. We cannot be precise about dates so come anyway!



The is no article from PC Cooper this time as he is not well. We wish him well and look forward to catching up with him in next issue.

**ST MICHAEL'S FLOWER ROTA 2008
(ANY QUERIES CONTACT PAM STAFFORD)**

JANUARY	Mrs Rose, Mrs Harding– Newman
FEBRUARY	Mrs Brown, Mrs Broughton LENT <u>BRASS ONLY</u>
MARCH	2nd MARCH MOTHERING SUNDAY DONATIONS PLEASE FOR EASTER LILIES
APRIL	Mrs M Lomas, Mrs J Thorne
MAY	Mrs Stafford, Mrs James
JUNE	Mrs Bradbury, Mrs Goldstraw
JULY	Mrs Lang, Mrs Banning
AUGUST	Mrs Radlett, Ms Lomas
SEPTEMBER	Mrs Hall, Mrs Charlesworth
OCTOBER	Mrs Marriot, Mrs Hunt
NOVEMBER	Mrs Fox, Mrs Methuen
DECEMBER	CHRISTMAS PLEASE HELP WITH DECORATING AND DONATIONS
JAN 2009	Mrs Stafford, Mrs James

RED LION B Team Skittles



All interested please
contact Dickie Marsh
01335 344481
or sign up at
the Red Lion Pub

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

At the Council meeting held on the 22nd January the Councillors and the members of the public were advised that the outcome of a meetings between Council Officials and the owners of the property has resulted in the plans for a village car park have been withdrawn. The details of the problems were not given at the meeting but there was an air of disappointment. The situation with the development at Standlow Lane was discussed at length. There was concern with the late night parties with “here say” reports of drunken fighting. There was also great concern over the firework displays late at night. It was questioned whether it was legal to have firework displays after midnight .

Councillor John Bradbury had spent a day going around the village with Councillor Irene Ratcliffe. There discussed various items of concern including the state of the Footpaths especially the Jitty. John Harrison the new Footpath Warden was present at the meeting and was able to further enlighten the Councillors. It was stated that the Council had received a complimentary report on the work that John was doing on the Footpaths. Councillor Bradbury up dated Councillor Ratcliffe on the new suggestion made by a member of the District Council Planning staff. It is suggested that the wall of the Village Hall Car Park is removed and the Foot path is run down the side of the Car Park instead of down the Kniveton Carr side. This would avoid the necessity of pedestrians having to cross over the road at the entrance to the car park.

The relatives of Mr Wildgoose requested Council agreement to them replacing the seat placed in remembrance to Mr Wildgoose at the families cost and to install a name Plaque. Council agreed.

The next meeting of the council is the 1st April. A member of the public stated that there is no notice of Council Meeting on the Hallsteads. The Council Secretary assured her that an Agenda and a copy of the Minutes of the previous meeting are placed on all Notice Boards in the village at least Seven Days before the date of the meeting. If she could not find details on the Notice Board someone must have removed them. However the dates of meeting are always include in the Kniveton News

EASTER LILIES and LENT NOTICE

There will be no floral decoration (just cleaning only) in the Church during February as this is Lent. However the Church will continue with the usual Easter tradition during March and decorate the Church with Lilies. Any one wishing to make a donation towards the cost of these Lilies can do so by giving their donation to Pam Stafford or any member of the Church Council during February. These donations can be in remembrance of a loved one.

During Lent we have three additional evening services, two of which are at Kniveton. Do come along to experience a different style of worship – quiet and meditative. There are also Holy Week services around the Benefice and I hope you will make a special effort to keep this week by coming to these services. Please note that the Easter Day service is at the slightly later time of 11.00 a.m. – Chris Mitchell



COMMUNITY WASTE COLLECTION, KNIVETON

On the 8th March there will be a Bulk
waste collection in Kniveton

Collections as follows

7.45 to 8.15 a.m. The Ketch

8.20 to 9.00 a.m. at Chapel Lane

9.05 to 9.45 a.m. The Hallsteads

KNIVETON VILLAGE HALL

The Accounts for the Village Hall were presented for the previous Year 2006 to Sept 2007. There was an improvement in the financial position over last financial year. The village hall has now opened an account with a major bank and has Cheque Book facilities. This will be more convenient in the paying of bills.

The rent for school use which the Village Hall received is under review this year. Lewis Rose has received an offer of an additional £500 but felt that this was insufficient and the members of the committee agreed. Lewis will make further representations and report back.

The maintenance to the village hall was discussed at length. The unevenness of the slabbed paths is causing concern. It was agreed that a local builder would be employed to rectify the situation. The ceiling lighting was deemed to be unsafe in that it could present a very slight potential fire hazard. The Electrician who brought this to the notice of the committee will be requested to replace the lights.

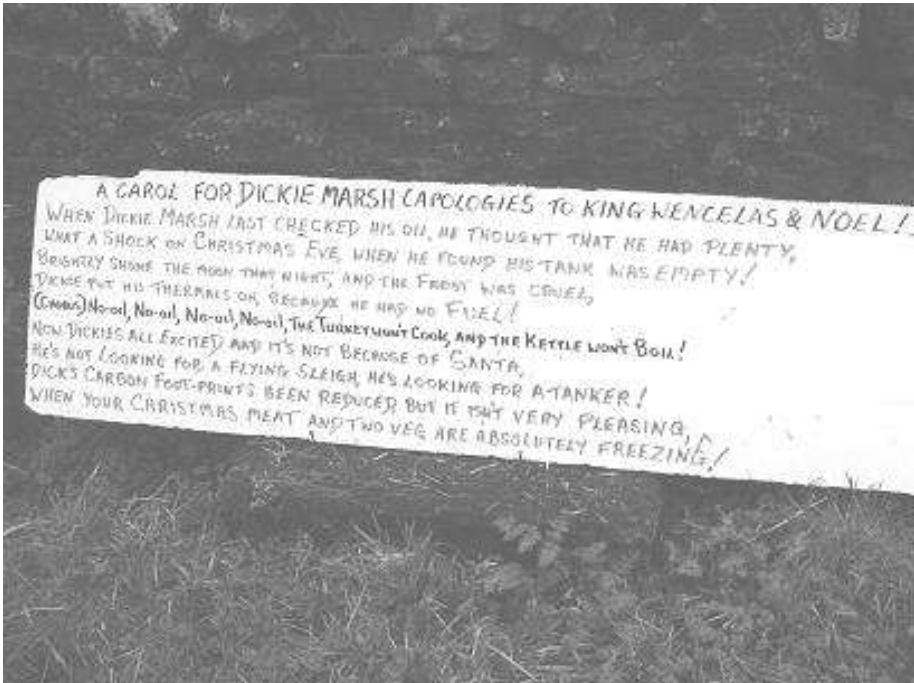
The Head Mistress Lynn Board requested that the school be permitted to extend the school's internet connections into the Hall to enable the children in the hall to use computers. This was agreed and informal discussion took place on the potential for possible future after school computer activities for the community.

The next meeting will be the AGM on the 30th April. Everyone is invited to attend.

THE BUSH TELEGRAPH



For those of you who have not seen it, Mr Bott, Mr Stafford and Mr Marsh communicate by messages on boards around Brook Farm's Barn and Dicky Marsh's house at this time of year. This year showed the return of the 'Marsh Tit' Saga from last year. However at that end of the village the carollers had a new slant on an old carol thanks to Mr Marsh running out of heating oil.



BOB'S BIT

In 1932, aged 16, I spent a year with the Oakden family at Foxholes Farm, 7 shillings and 6 pence per week and live-in, which meant that I slept and had all my meal there. In those days Foxholes Farm was a medium size dairy farm. The Oakden were owner occupiers. The Oakdens consisted of Mrs Oakden, senior, her daughter Ida – who Fiancé had been killed in the First World War, so she never married – and Frank who was a bachelor. They were in their mid forties. Ida played the American Organ at the Chapel and Frank would go to the services and play his Violin. On special occasions he would be joined by the rest of the Kniveton Orchestra. Tim Mather, shop keeper - clarinet, his brother Tom who worked at various farms – also clarinet, another brother Sam, Blacksmith and Farrier, Cello, and William Beard, wheelwright with his Bassoon.

It was mid July and hay making was in progress. A small field of hay was not dry enough to stack but the weather was fine and it was decided to leave it spread out over the weekend. On the Sunday evening, the weather changed and there was a slight drizzle. I returned to Foxholes at about half past nine. Frank and Ida were sitting in the kitchen with their coats on. Although mid July, it was still chilly at nights. They had decided to put the hay into hubbles – but it was still the Sabbath and the fourth commandment said it should be kept Holy, so we sat there until the Grandfather clock struck 12

When I see these modern tractors towing machines which produce bales, my mind goes back to 1932 when I was in the Hay Field in the early hours of the morning building little hay stacks with a fork. Bob Goodall.

History in the making.

Last year around the time of the Well Dressing I wrote in the Newsletter that the Bygone Kniveton Exhibition which has appeared in the Church over that weekend for several years was due for a makeover, and so would be making its last appearance in its present form .

Events have taken an exciting turn. John Hartle, Bob Goodall's son in law, is taking a keen interest in Kniveton's past and has agreed to help with research into the history of the village. He is a great enthusiast and has already spent a great deal of time in researching the archives at County Hall. We have decided the exhibition this year will be based on the farms in the parish, the people who lived in them; the type of farming they did; and the buildings they lived and worked in. We would really appreciate any help we can get. I am intending to visit all the farms mentioned in the parish in the 1901 census, so some of you will be receiving a call about this shortly. In the meantime; to anyone working the farms at present, or living in a house that was once a farm; I would love to have any photos of buildings, stories of past inhabitants, indeed anything you know about your home in the past, if you would be happy to share it with me. Bob Goodall himself, of course, is already a mine of information and a huge help to us both.

Jane Methuen Tel. 01335 342413

KIDS' PAGES

Spring 2008

A big thank you to all the people who kindly donated items for our container to Gambia. The container was packed, in pouring rain, on Tuesday and will set sail from Newcastle on 28th January, hopefully arriving in Banjul on 10th February when we will be out there teaching. We shall take lots of photos and share them with everyone at a later date.

Thank you once again.

Lynn Board and Sue Cartlidge.

Class 1 have been talking about the five senses this term.
Read and enjoy their own thoughts about Spring.

Spring is waiting to come to us.
I can **hear** the lorries go past.
I can **see** the birds.
I can **touch** my pet dog Milly.
I can **taste** sausages.
I can **smell** my mum's cooking.
by Jake Wheeldon age 5



Spring is coming.
I can **hear** the birds chirping in the trees.
I can **see** the flowers beginning to grow.
I can **smell** lots of things.
I like to **taste** fish and chips.
by Michael Power age 5.



Spring is near.
I like to **hear** the birds singing.
I like to **touch** my cat.
I like to **see** the baby lambs.
I like to **taste** chips.
I like to **smell** flowers.
by Joshua Taylor-Grout age 6



Spring is lovely.

I like to **hear** the birds singing.
I like to **see** the lambs.
I like to **smell** pasta cooking.
I like to **taste** juicy strawberries.
I like to **touch** the wet grass.

By Melissa Walsh age 5



Spring is when

I can **hear** birds singing.
I can **see** lambs skipping.
I can **touch** the new grass.
I can **taste** pancakes.
I can **smell** the flowers.

By Rebecca Longden age 6



In Spring I can hear birds singing
see sunshine
touch my football
taste a picnic
and smell the flowers.



by Charlie Scattergood.



In Spring

I can **smell** the flowers.

I can **hear** the birds singing in the trees.

I like to **taste** my mum's dinner.

I like to **touch** the flowers.

by Gabrielle Ward. Age 5

**Spring is coming.**

I can **hear** the children playing.

I can **see** the cat lying down.

I like to **smell** the flowers.

I can **taste** the fruit.

I can **touch** the flowers.

by Seb Crellin age 6.

**Spring is near.**

I like to **smell** the flowers.

I like to **hear** the birds singing.

I like to **touch** my toys.

I like to fruit.

by Zoe Martin age 6

**I like Spring.**

I can **hear** the birds singing in the sky.

I can **see** horses in the field.

I can **touch** the grass.

I can **taste** fairy cakes.

I can **smell** the flowers.

by Danielle Tabone age 6.



Well Dressings Update – Weekend 21st/22nd June

Please make a note of this weekend, so you will be able to come along and support the Well Dressings this year.

As has been previously reported, the format of the Well Dressings and the ‘Scarecrows’ will be changed and this is now beginning to take shape.

However, as in previous years the village hall will be open over this weekend for refreshments and hopefully we will have our tombola, home bake stall, plus

We are also trying to obtain some form of entertainment, plus a competition for the children. This is all yet to be confirmed.

In the April/ May issue of the Kniveton News, all will be revealed in detail, but in the meantime please sort out any unwanted gifts or donate any items you feel might be suitable for a tombola.

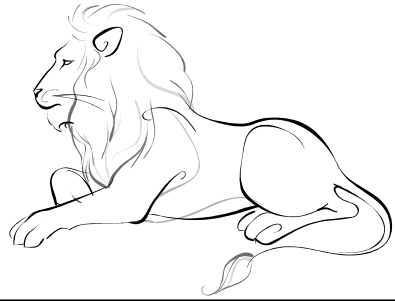
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FORTHCOMING
EVENTS AT
THE RED LION
KNIVETON



FRIDAY 8TH FEBRUARY
RACE NIGHT



Prizes for all winners, (jockeys, trainers, owners) all money raised for The **Wish Foundation (A Children's Charity)**. Quiz between Races.

THURSDAY 14TH FEBRUARY
VALENTINES



3 Course Set Menu £20 per person
Free bottle of wine per couple
BOOKINGS NOW BEING TAKEN

SUNDAY 2ND MARCH- **MOTHER'S DAY**
Bookings now being taken



Telephone David or Brian 01335 345554
For further details

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KNIVETON WI

Kniveton WI celebrated the Institutes Birthday in December with an excellent meal at the Brackendale Restaurant at Knockerdown. A good time was had by all and we had to go home for an afternoon nap! (Well if the other members didn't I did).

In January we had our usual Monthly meeting at the village hall. Angela Holgate was presented with a gift voucher for her hard work as Treasurer and then Secretary for the past few years and we welcomed Jean Thorne as our incoming Secretary. We had a talk by Paul Thorne (our Secretaries Husband). He was a Funeral Director in Hertfordshire until recently and the talk was really interesting about the hard work and organisation behind the scenes of a funeral and the difficult and 'thorny' task of getting the mourners there on time and the service arranged to the Deceased's and their relatives wishes. It was a difficult subject but the talk was really interesting and thought provoking.

Kniveton WI are to Host the Spring Group Meeting and we had a long discussion about the Speaker and the form of the meeting as we should have a hall full of Dovedale Group Members.

In February our Speaker will be from the Crystal Fountain and March is a good one as the Fire Service are coming to see us!!

We have lots of other things in the pipeline. The Spring Council Meeting at Chesterfield. Several of us are going to hear Lord Norton of Louth and Sheila Dibnah (Fred Dibnah's Widow). Four of us are off to NEC Birmingham for the Sewing for Pleasure Show (which includes an exhibition of the WI archive work).

County workshops we are attending are a Day on Composting at Derbyshire House and another a Calligraphy Day School.

Also Derbyshire Federation are having a Road Show at St Oswalds Church Hall on 31st January and we are helping with that too.

Come and Join Us !

Mary Vaughan, President

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