

KNIVETON NEWS

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Kniveton Primary School

Summer Fair

Friday 6th July



For the first time in many years, the weather wasn't the biggest concern for the organisers of Kniveton Primary School's summer fair! With glorious sunshine forecast, the marquees were erected, the BBQ was lit and the ice lollies were ready!

There was a fantastic variety of stalls and activities for the children to try. This year, Joe Tink and Paul Miles set up a model car racing circuit at the top of the field and the children had a great time learning how to control and race the cars.

The face painting stall was popular as always and it was great to see the children running around with brightly coloured animal or butterfly faces. Another stall which seemed to have a queue all afternoon was the slushie drinks stall. This was run by the pupils and did fantastically well.

The team of Dad's on the BBQ did a great job keeping everyone fed – it smelt and tasted delicious and service was always with a smile! Thanks to Ollie, David and Stuart. Special thanks to John & Liz for kindly letting us borrow their BBQ.

The book stall was organised by June Lomas and the number and variety of books she brought to sell rivalled WH Smith's! June sold lots of books during the fair and then kindly donated the remaining books to Oxfam, thank you June.

Other stalls of note were the plant stall with the majority of the plants being donated by Wyaston Nursery and the Tropic stall which not only sold lovely beauty products but also offered refreshing facials and relaxing foot spas. Many thanks to Angela for bringing a touch of glamour to the fair!

The fair raised just over £1,000 for the school and the summer raffle raised £450 – all of which will go towards buying new equipment for school and paying for experiences such as the annual trip to the pantomime at Christmas. So a huge thanks to everyone who helped on the day or donated prizes – we couldn't have done it without you!

Sue Omotosho, Keeley Macdonald & Emma Tink

Friends of Kniveton Team

KNIVETON VILLAGE BBQ



The annual(ish) village BBQ was held once again around the Griffiths' yard in the bottom of village on Saturday 16th June. Good weather prevailed and the event was well attended by the villagers - and it was good to see some new faces amongst the old timers.

The committee did an excellent job of organising so I hope you will all join me in publicly thanking them and those who volunteered on the day for all their hard work.

As we are going to print, the totals have not been finalised but once we get the details we will let you know.



Kniveton Parish Council

The Parish Council met a little earlier than usual on 4 July 2018 as England were playing. Despite the match there was a great attendance from Kniveton residents and the Parish Council wishes to extend thanks to all those residents who come along to have their say on how the village is run.

The Parish Council discussed the following agenda items:

Peak Waste Planning Application

This has been approved and County Councillor Ratcliffe suggested the Parish Council set up a committee or liaison group to monitor the outputs. More detail to follow on this.

Planters

The Council agreed to rent the planters to assess residents' reactions to them. Unfortunately, they were placed in the wrong locations which has caused some headaches and the contractors have been asked to re-place them. Let the council have your views on the planters.

New Reflectors for the Church Wall

These have been ordered and will be in place soon

Playing Field Drainage

Work will begin in the school holidays to improve the drainage and stop the field flooding

Finance

Payments and balances were presented and approved. The annual audit finalised by the Clerk and been approved by the Internal Auditor. This has now been submitted to the external auditor.

New House Farm

The event held at the end of June has given rise to a great deal of concern and distress in the village. The Council expressed their disappointment that despite many complaints no action had been taken by Derbyshire Dales or Derbyshire County Councils and the Councillor Rhoda Barnett contacted them to set out these concerns especially as there are 2 more events planned - one on 2-4 August

and one on 28-30 September. Councillor Lewis Rose also took this up with officers at Derbyshire Dales. As a result, the Parish Council has been advised that:

- 1) A regulatory services officer will take up the issue regarding toilets direct with the landowner and with the organisers of planned events and will provide us an update in due course.
- 2) The August event has been authorised however there seems to be a misunderstanding music is authorised until 3am, this is not the case, music has only been authorised until 11pm.
- 3) The September event will not be going ahead
- 4) Looking beyond this Summer, regulatory services will take account of the complaints received, particularly in relation to the hours that are specified on any event submitted. As a very general statement, Derbyshire Dales have indicated that 3am is too late a finishing time for events at this location and Environmental Health will take this into account in considering future requests they receive.
- 5) Any complaints should be directed to laura.salmon@derbyshiredales.gov.uk

Parish Councillor Vacancy

With deep regret the Parish Council accepted the resignation of Councillor Liz Howe. She has worked extremely hard for the village and will be a much-missed member of the Council.

The Parish Clerk will start the process of recruiting a new Parish Councillor once the election officer has been notified



If you haven't seen it yet - the Parish Council has its own Facebook page.

Search for "Kniveton Parish Council"

Please check it out and like it next time you log on to Facebook.

The Wedding of Jonathan and Georgina Bott

On the 9th June, two young people with long connections to Kniveton were married at the village church. Jonty's family have been in Kniveton for generations, his father David still running the family farm at the bottom of the village whilst Georgina came to the village with her parents in the early 1990's.

The day started a little cloudy but brightened up as it went on and crucially stayed fine. This was most important as the bride's wedding party was walking to the church from Bank House in Main Street. From 12 noon Georgina and her five bridesmaids made their preparations whilst enjoying a buffet lunch with several bottles of prosecco. With the Red Lion being closed, Jonty and his friends chose to visit the Bowling Green in Ashbourne for pre-wedding drinks before getting to the church a little after 3pm ready for the 4pm service.

At around 3.50pm the bridal party began to leave Bank House, Georgina choosing to be driven up the road to the church in her father's car – her dress being a little difficult to walk that distance in! The remainder of the bridal party walked up and it was lovely to see many village people coming out to watch, wave and give best wishes. Several have





since passed photos of the walk to us, so kind of them, thank you. With Georgina taking the car it was a chance for the bridesmaids, looking fabulous in their pink dresses, to catch a little of the attention of those watching.

The church was packed with nearly 100 guests filling pretty well every available seat, not to mention the two extra four legged guests with Georgina and Jonty's dogs Nell and Ted also present in church. The service was wonderful, conducted with warmth and humour by Rev. Phil Michell. The hymns were sung with great gusto bringing a smile to Phil's face and encouraging his comment after the first hymn that he'd never heard such rousing singing at a wedding before.

After the service and the traditional photographs outside the church we all moved off to the marquee at Shottle Hall where about 120 other guests joined us for the rest of the day. We all enjoyed our share of prosecco whilst listening to the speeches – and how amusing they were – before enjoying a hog roast and disco until midnight. The weather was fabulous allowing guests to spill out of the marquee into the grounds of the Hall, enjoying the warmth, spectacular views, sunset and stars. A wonderful end to a very memorable and happy day and the start of what we're sure will be a very happy life together for Mr and Mrs Bott.

The Get Together Club

On 14th June we set off for Beverley. The town of Beverley is lovely with its minster and unique shops. We enjoyed the day just wandering around in groups at our own speed. On the way back we would have liked to cross the Humber Bridge but unfortunately it was closed to high sided vehicles due to the wind.

22nd June we were off to Tenby for our holiday. What can I say everything was perfect we enjoyed the lovely weather, a good hotel and great company. We spent the first day on Caldey Island, some of us struggled to get on the boat but everyone that wanted to go managed it thanks to the wonderful boatmen, we all enjoyed the lovely atmosphere and scenery over there. On the Monday we went to St David's and enjoyed the cathedral and the lovely town, some just sat in the sun and enjoyed people watching. Our thanks go to Keith Warrington for looking after us so well on the holiday but also for getting us home after having someone come out of a side road and hit the bus. The bus was badly damaged but nobody was injured. Thanks to Cherry for the sweets and Margaret and Pauline for the raffle.

A really lovely day was had at Mercia Marina, Willington on 12th July. Some walked along the canal while others just sat in the sun and enjoyed the comings and goings of the marina. On the way home we called at Findern garden centre and enjoyed tea and a cake.



*The Get Together
Club trip to Tenby*

22nd June 2018



Everyone is always welcome to join us and you can pick which trips you like. Trips for the following 3 months are as follows:

9th August - Afternoon Tea at Callow Hall

13th September - Foxt Railway & Heities Tea Rooms

11th October - Lunch at the Shoulder of Mutton, Osmaston

If you are interested in any of the above please contact Liz Howe (346078) email:
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or Pauline Pilkington (300088)

Church Diary

Sunday 5th August
Holy Communion
at 10.30am

Sunday 19th August
All-Age Service
at 10.30am

Sunday 2nd September
Holy Communion
at 10.30am

Sunday 16th September
All-Age Service
at 10.30am

Sunday 30th September
United Benefice Service
at 10.30am at Atlow church

Sunday 7th October Harvest
Holy Communion
at 10.30am
followed by "bring and share"
lunch in the village
hall from noon.
All welcome.

Flower Rota

August
Mrs Holman & Mrs McConnachie

September
Mrs Hall & Mrs Allen

October
Mrs Fox & Mrs Methuen

November
Mrs Rose & Mrs Hardy-Newman

The Church That Smiled

Whilst searching for something else on the internet we found a blog entitled "The Church That Smiled" by Sue Vincent. We contacted Sue to ask if we could reproduce her writing in the Kniveton News and she was delighted to give us permission.

Sue Vincent is a Yorkshire born painter and writer, living in the south of England. She paints the strange things that come as images in dreams and fantasies and writes about life as it happens.

The blog with more photos and other works by Sue can be found at:

sevincent.com

Kniveton CHURCH

Angels Fly Again!

The angels are returning to Kniveton church again this November! This year they will be joined by shepherds and kings so If you would like to be involved in making something or helping with the organisation, please email [us](mailto:knivetonangels@gmail.com) at knivetonangels@gmail.com

The Church That Smiled

On my last trip north, I took a different route, and that is always an adventure. With never enough time to take side-trips and explore, I can never resist when something just drops in my path, so when, after three hours driving, a village that announced itself as a Saxon settlement offered me a church and a parking spot, the inevitable happened. I pulled over and grabbed the camera.



Even from the road it is an interesting little church. You can see its architectural evolution in the different styles and the shapes and colours of the stonework. It stands in the shadow of a thousand year old yew, it is built on a small mound in the centre of the village and a newborn stream runs around its base...a perfect situation for an ancient place of worship that may even pre-date this church and the present building already goes back nine hundred years. The human story of the village goes back much further. The surrounding hills are dotted with archaeological sites and, in the nineteenth century, antiquarian Thomas Bateman excavated one of the Stand Low round barrows here, bringing to light a bronze dagger, a stone axe, a pottery urn and an amber ring. The name of the village is said, by those who should know, to be derived from the Old English for a farm belonging to a woman named Cengifu. I am not always convinced by these attributions as personal names and wonder if linguists do not decide upon them simply because they don't want to admit they don't really know the meaning.



The village was already well established and its name had evolved at the time of the Norman Conquest, and when the Domesday Book was compiled in 1086, it was listed as Cheniveton. The manor belonged to the Kniveton family until Sir Andrew Kniveton, a staunch Royalist during the Civil War, was obliged to sell the land in the middle of the seventeenth century to pay the heavy fines imposed by Cromwell's victorious Roundheads. The Kniveton arms can still be seen within the church as a panel of fifteenth century stained glass, along with an even older fragment from the fourteenth century.



The old door of the church is set beneath a plain Norman arch, with a human head as its keystone that is sometimes described as a bear. The supporting corbels are also carved... one is now too worn to identify, but the other is a 'beaked head' which looks rather draconine. It is always exciting to turn the handle on these old doors, wondering whether or not they will open and, if they do, what you might find within.



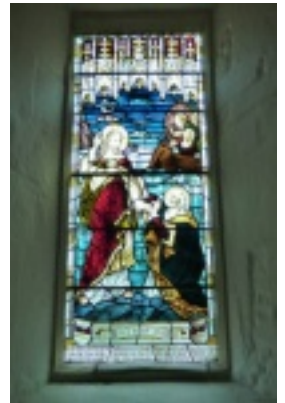
This time, the door swung inwards and I stepped into the happiest church I have ever felt. And that is strange, for churches may be lovely, welcoming or forbidding, serene and peaceful or even cold and stark... but I have never found one that simply felt happy. I wondered why...

My first impressions revealed nothing to explain it. St Michael and All Angels is a simple, single-cell building with a later gallery and thirteenth century tower, contemporary with the font which, though it carries a seventeenth century date, is

Early English in style and also dates to the thirteenth century. The carved date commemorates a renovation of the church which had been built originally, some nine hundred years ago, as a chapelry for the Church of St Oswald in nearby Ashbourne. At that time it was dedicated to St John the Baptist and I



wondered if it was his head that was carved into the arch of the doorway... and, if so, why it would be mistaken for a bear. Behind the font a narrow staircase winds up to the gallery, passing the temptation of the bell ropes that have been calling worshippers to prayer for the last four hundred years. From the gallery you can see the whole body of the church and I could pinpoint nothing to explain why the place felt so cheerful.



There is some really beautiful Victorian and Edwardian stained glass, though, with jewel colours glowing in the low sun. They are mostly commemorative pieces, as are so many stained glass windows, in memory of parishioners and clergy alike, including the east window, a tribute to a mother from her children, which shows Jesus between the Virgin Mary and Joseph carrying a cage of doves. My favourite was the one that shows Faith, Hope and Charity. A little different in style and rather more simple, it dates from 1908 and is a tribute to a former vicar and his wife.



There was evidence of much love in the windows, but I still couldn't see any reason why the place should feel so happy. There were embroideries and hanging made by the local children, so it was evidently a church still very much at the heart of its community.

There were flowers everywhere, and that always helps. There were fresh bouquets behind the altar, ancient floral geometries carved as ceiling bosses, and painted, arts and crafts style, on the pulpit. There were also flowers carved into the bench-ends of the 'new' pews, installed in 1842.



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And not just flowers...

Half the bench-ends were carved with foliate men. Green Men, nature spirits, or in Christian iconography, symbols of resurrection and rebirth. And all of them were smiling... and they were not on their own. I couldn't help smiling back.



There was another smile too. When the new pews were being installed, a carved stone was found. No record exists of where in the church it was originally placed, and there is no mention of its age.

They set the roundel into the south wall of the nave for safekeeping where it could easily be overlooked, and that would be a shame. It is old, seems, at first glance to be crudely carved and 'primitive' in style. It is possibly as old as the church itself... and it is possibly the most beautiful crucifix I have seen. Although depicted on the Cross, He smiles. His arms are outstretched as if to embrace the world in simple joy and acceptance, with neither judgement nor discrimination. It is as if, in this one simple carving, the artist has transcended the dogma and politics of 'churchianity' and cut straight to the heart of the message of Love.



I find I cannot argue with that.

We had a lovely visit to Tissington Hall for our June meeting. Two ladies were our guides and they gave us lots of interesting snippets of information about the house and the people who inhabited it through the ages.

As we went from room to room the sense of humour of the present Baronet, Sir Richard Fitzherbert was evident as he had placed hats on some of the statues and busts around the place.

The gardens were beautiful too. There are some lovely fragrant roses there like the good old fashioned flowers with plenty of scent. Many of the trees were very old and majestic adding to the peaceful charm of the grounds.

We had a wonderful tour and finished it off in the Tea Rooms.

Some of our ladies joined others from the Dovedale Group on 16th July in Ellastone from the Adam Bede walk, they found it very interesting to see the different places where George Eliot drew her inspiration from for the novel. They were all treated to tea at the end of the walk by the WI ladies of Ellastone.

Our July meeting was our yearly Garden Party, this year our host was Gill Bates. Her lovely garden was an excellent venue. Alison provided the savoury dishes and several of us brought sweets and plonk (some non-alcoholic). We had a great evening and wondered home at dusk.

August 22nd we will be joining the rest of the Dovedale Group on the outing to Southwall to see the Minster and the Workhouse.

If anyone is interested in joining us, please contact Alison on 01335 345908 or Susan on 01335 348442.

Kath,

Kniveton WI



Every Friday is curry night with meals starting from £7.50.

Sunday Roasts are available til 7pm. We have been very busy over the summer months with our roasts so we advise you to a book a table.

The 18/19 football season kicks off on August 3rd with Derby County making the trip down to Reading. It looks like being an exciting Championship Season for our local team.



It seems very strange writing about the flood fuddle when we've had no rain for two months and the fields and lawns look a bit like coconut matting.

We can not believe that this year is the 10th Flood Fuddle we've had. It started out as a bit of fun but over the years has just kept growing. This year's fuddle will be on Friday September 14th in the bottom of the village around the Griffith's home.

Could you please have your pizza order and money to Simon and Paula's before Thursday 13th September (Telephone 01335 346573).

Please bring your own drinks and chairs. Start is around 5.30, Pizzas (we hope) will arrive at around 6.30.

See you there!

Botty

All Sky matches will be shown in the pub so come down and support your team - whichever team that is!

Following another popular tapas night we will be holding the next Tapas Night in September - please keep an eye on our boards or Facebook for more details.

Saturday 20th October will be our second anniversary at the Red Lion and we're celebrating with a music night featuring Penny Diamond from 9pm. See the next Kniveton News for more details

To make a booking or for any information you can either ring us on 01335 345554 or email us at theredlionkniveton@outlook.com

KNIVETON DIRECTORY

We wish to start a directory of local business and traders from the village. If any local trade person or small business wishes to place a small advert in the Kniveton News then please get in touch.

This service will be free for residents of the parish,

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Kniveton News is produced, edited and distributed by volunteers who give their time and resources for free,

Please remember that our volunteers have other commitments and it is highly likely that different parts of the village will get their copy of the newsletter on different days.

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KNIVETON DIARY

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Thu 9 Aug	Get Together Club - Afternoon Tea at Callow Hall
Sun 12 Aug	Kniveton Chapel - 2.30pm
Sun 19 Aug	All-Age Service - Kniveton Church 10.30am
Sun 26 Aug	Kniveton Chapel - 11.00am
Sun 2 Sep	Holy Communion - Kniveton Church - 10.30am
Sun 9 Sep	Kniveton Chapel - 2.30pm
Thu 13 Sep	Get Together Club – Foxt Railways & Heities Tea Rooms
Fri 14 Sep	Flood Fuddle – see page 17 - Bottom of the village from 5.30pm
Sun 16 Sep	All-Age Service - Kniveton Church 10.30am
Wed 19 Sep	Kniveton WI "The History of the Brettles of Belper"
Fri 21 Sep	Kniveton News Deadline
Sun 23 Sep	Kniveton Chapel - 11.00am
Sun 30 Sep	United Benefice Service - Atlow Church - 10.30am

KNIVETON WASTE COLLECTIONS

Food Caddy & Grey Bin

Wednesday 1 August

Wednesday 15 August

*Thursday 30 August 18

*Bank Holiday Week Arrangements

Wednesday 12 September

Wednesday 26 September

Food Caddy, Green-lid Bin & Blue-lid Bin

Wednesday 8 August

Wednesday 22 August

Wednesday 5 September

Wednesday 19 September

Wednesday 3 October

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