

KEYHAM NEWS



I can't believe that's Keyham Village Hall

Diary Dates

June:

11/12th NGS: The Paddocks Hungarton
25th Keyham Croquet 21st Party
Mayfield Barn 1:30pm

Church Services

June:

Sunday 5th June – 9am Holy Communion (Hungarton)
Saturday 11th June – Compline, giving thanks for Her Majesty's 90th Birthday (Hungarton)
Sunday 12th June – 9am Holy Communion, giving thanks for Her Majesty's 90th Birthday (**Keyham**)
Sunday 19th June – 5pm Compline (Hungarton)
Sunday 26th June - St John the Baptist, Hungarton, Patronal Sunday
4pm All Age service (Hungarton)
5pm Compline (**Keyham**)

Church Flower Rota

June:

5th Brett & Ellie's wedding on 4th June
12th Julie Emberton
19th Maureen Podesta
26th Maureen Podesta

3rd Margaret Hughes
10th Margaret Hughes
17th Mary Wood
24th Mary Wood
31st Anna Rosevear's wedding on 30th July

Sandra

KEYHAM CROQUET: Saturday June 25th

Applications forms have now been sent out for this event. Simply reply to the email and answer the questions therein. Entry fees by cash or cheque (payable to "Keyham Village Hall Management Committee") to The Lodge. Please let us know too if you can't make it and we will stop chasing you!

REPLIES NO LATER THAN SATURDAY 11th JUNE PLEASE

John & Margaret Hughes, Event Organisers

QUEEN AT 90 – TEA PARTY



Mary and I thank you for coming along to our little celebration and for your delicious contributions. Our thanks also to David and the Charities for their kindness. A happy and enjoyable get together - no sunshine but it just did not matter!

Christine

Royal Majesty

Royal is a virtue,
More than just a right,
Which in a seemly person
Carries, as a light.

Majesty, this mantle,
Is worn as easy lace
By those who have the dignity,
The virtue, and the grace.

Our Royal Queen, Elizabeth,
Irradiates each part;
Her name has Her as Second
But she's first in every heart.

Oddly

Village Hall Renovation

*KVH Renovation Works are supported by
THE BIG LOTTERY FUND (AWARDS FOR ALL) &
KEYHAM CHARITIES*



As you can see from the photos of the hall in this edition, things are going well and the hall will be open in about one month. Kitchen fitting and new curtains are now the priority. Finally the hall will need a good clean; at last, your chance to get involved!



**John Hughes,
Chairman KVHMC**

Would You Believe IT

Let me tell you the tale
Of a waisted whim;
Born in the spur of a moment
It spent its life in conjecture,
A place where they breed might have been,
Defying all lessons of logic
To develop a singular fancy,
Then in a spin of the world
It lost its raison d'etre
To become a moment of truth.

Oddly

Happy Birthday Ma'am

As the Queen reached 90 this year, and is our longest serving monarch, it seemed only right to reflect on her life and faith in this month when we are celebrating on the weekend of her official birthday.

A book has been published which celebrates her life and faith, to which the Queen herself has written the introduction, the Queen writes:

"I have been – and remain – very grateful to you for your prayers and to God for His steadfast love. I have indeed seen His faithfulness."

She quotes the poem her father quoted in his Christmas Day broadcast in 1939:

"I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year
'Give me a light that I may tread safely into the
unknown.'

And he replied, 'Go out into the darkness, and put your
hand into the hand of God.

That shall be to you better than light, and safer than a
known way.'"

In her own way the Queen has also challenged and inspired faith in others, I was fortunate enough to hear her in person last year when she spoke at the inauguration of the new General Synod of the Church of England. She is not a woman of immense stature physically but her wisdom, faith and service give her a presence that physical stature alone could not. That day the Queen challenged the Church of England to make a difference just as in 1986 she reflected on Christ's example sacrificial service and said this:

Jesus' life "thus began in humble surroundings, in fact in a stable, but he was to have a profound influence on the course of history, and on the lives of generations of his followers. You don't have to be rich or powerful in order to change things for the better and each of us in our own way can make a contribution"

Everyone is welcome to join us in Keyham on Sunday 12th June, 9am for our Holy Communion service where we will give thanks for the 90 years of Elizabeth R as we continue to pray for her and all those who serve others in our world.

Revd Alison

Village News

Ken Fox: KN is sad to announce that Ken Fox passed away recently. Ken lived for many years with his wife Mary at The Stables on Ingarsby Road. Ken and Mary were very active in Keyham life, particularly with the All Saints Church where Ken was a Churchwarden for many years. Ken is a past winner of Keyham Croquet! Given the many letters after his name (see below from the Leicester Mercury) it appears that Ken gained distinction in many walks of life that modesty prevented him sharing with us.

FOX DFC, FRCM, FCIQB Kenneth Lawrence (Ken) Passed peacefully away in his 95th year under the kind care of staff at Sibbertoft Manor on Monday 23rd May 2016. Loving Father to Gail and Jonathan, Daughter-in-law Maureen. Grandfather to Rebecca, James and Ben and Great-grandfather to Joseph, Amelie, Rufus, Bea and Dylan. He will be sorely missed. Private family cremation followed by a Thanksgiving Service at St. Wilfrid's Church, Kibworth on Thursday 2nd June at 3.45pm. Family flowers only please, donations if desired may be made to RAF Benevolent Fund c/o A.J. Adkinson & Son, Funeral Directors, 12 London Road, Oadby, LE2 5DG, Tel: 0116 2712340 or online at www.ajadkinsonandson.com

Congratulations to **Fiona and Pete Varnam** on the arrival of two more grandchildren. Daughter Jade gave birth to twins Nancy and Jenson in May.

“Get well soon” to **Tony Hill** who is recovering in the LRI and soon to be moved to Market Harborough Hospital for recuperation.

Colin Dowsett is now at back home after another spell in the LRI and our “best wishes” go out to him.

Mr & Mrs Ed

Une Affaire

A caffe cognac
With time to spare,
While soft sun filters
Through the trees
In the secret square
Of cobbled cloistered calm,
Traffic sound a purr
Behind the children’s chatter
And tempered tete a tete
In the harmonies of language
Which say that it is France.

Oddly

Village Hall: Some History

I am still trying to establish the year in which the Village Hall was constructed. Colin Dowsett tells KN that it was 1936 but Julia Hodson seems to think it was earlier. She writes.....

“The Village Hall was built around 1930. Most of the money came from the Carnegie Trust and village fund raising.

Opened by Mrs Cheales followed by a high tea! Mrs Cheales lived at Nether Hall from early 1940’s but it was in her family before that and she came from Lincolnshire to open the hall.

Dad ran fortnightly dances in 1936 and met my Mum there.

Reference: Dad’s book (Rowles Harrison: A Foundry in a Garden)...a mine of information...lots that I had forgotten).

No photos of the Hall. Sorry.”

Looking at the Carnegie Trust website, it appears that it supported the building of village halls in the 1930’s so that fits in. I contacted the Trust and they tell me that their records may contain details of any grant for our hall. However, it means visiting the Scottish National Records Office in Edinburgh to find out as online records don’t exist. Any volunteers?

In addition, local historian Celia Cotton found this interesting “small ad” in the Leicester Mercury 1950. Can anyone remember attending this event 66 years ago?



Leicester Daily Mercury 29 Sep 1950

**John Hughes,
Chairman KVHMC**

KEYHAM BOOKWORM'S MONTHLY READ A COLDER WAR - CHARLES CUMMING

Cumming has for some time been Bookworm's favourite author of the spy genre and indeed many far more qualified than me think he is the finest since John Le Carre. KN readers may recall I featured Cumming back in 2014 covering his novel re the Philby, Burgess, Blunt spy scandal - "The Trinity Six". His knowledge of the workings of our spy services is second to none and no doubt driven by his experiences when MI6 approached him to work for them after leaving Edinburgh University - an offer he subsequently declined.

This approach however led directly to his first novel "A Spy by Nature" featuring Alec Milius. Subsequent and equally enjoyable novels followed before he introduced his latest main character Thomas Kell, a disgraced former MI6 officer, in "A Foreign Country" (now being made into a TV series starring Colin Firth - phew!). The second book in the Kell trilogy is "A Colder War" and as you would expect from Cumming it is another excellent read.

The unexplained death of the head of MI6's Turkish operation is the latest in a series of mishaps in the Middle East leading to the head of MI6 asking Kell to go undercover to root out a suspected double agent. What follows is a gripping conflict involving MI6, the CIA and the SVR, Russia's foreign intelligence service. A la James Bond there is the usual love interest for Kell as he struggles to out the "baddie". Bookworm first came across Cumming via Richard & Judy's Book Club, a regular source of good quality reading and I now eagerly await the final book in the trilogy "A Divided Spy" due out this year and a must for lovers of a good spy story.

Both Waterstones and Amazon have the paperback version of "A Colder War" available at £7.99 although Amazon may have p&p on top. Downloads to both Kindle and Waterstones are £3.99.

As always happy reading!

Bookworm

PS KN readers may have noticed that for the first time in some years we have seen an increase in hard and paperback book sales (largely due to Harper Lee) and a decline in downloads. Is the Kindle age beginning to slow down? Time will tell but many still obviously like holding the actual book.

LONDON MARATHON: A KEYHAM RUNNER

Approximately £2,800 raised to date.

Money still coming in (either directly to me to pass on or via the Just Giving website "Paul Emberton London Marathon" or direct to the Lullaby Charity in London).

Please convey my thanks again for everyone's generous support. Kind regards.

Paul

The National Garden Scheme

The National Garden Scheme (NGS) raises funds for nursing and caring charities including Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie, Hospice UK and many others. Last year it raised £2,637,000; a truly magnificent sum.

***This year.....The Paddocks Main Street
Hungarton
Leicester
LE7 9JY
01162 595230***

***..... is opening from 12 - 5pm on Saturday
11th & Sunday 12th June.***

Refreshments, Light Lunches, Cakes, Tea and Coffee will be available from The Lifeboats who are raising funds for their own charity. Admission £4.00; Children Free. Please come and support these very worthy charities.

Helen & Michael Martin

Keyham News Deadline: July Edition

The deadline for KN July edition is
Monday 27th June

All articles and photographs to
The Lodge or jandm.hughes@btinternet.com

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SCRAPTOFT GOLF CLUB: RELOCATION UPDATE: 13th MAY 2016

Since the EGM back in February and the media coverage of our EGM, I invited Scraptoft Parish council to a meeting at the club to discuss our position. On the 24th March I met with Simon Gaulton, Amanda Burrell and Peter Elliott and outlined the EGM decision, the offer by the Promotors to relocate and stated that at that time our preferred option was to stay at Scraptoft.

We discussed the lease issues and they could see the problem with LCC not being able to meet their build targets, they also envisaged that this scheme would most probably be included in the 2031 plan.

The relocation structure is now in place and Eric Wood has been appointed Chair of the Main Negotiating committee with John Leivers as Vice Chair, in addition Teams have been set up for the New Course design, Clubhouse design and Business development/planning, a family tree showing the Chairs and members is attached ([CLICK HERE](#)) and feel free to contact anyone should you wish to make any comments or offer constructive ideas.

A meeting with Ken Moody, the principle of Creative Golf Design took place on the 19th April, where our New Course Committee gave him a grilling with some telling questions. His answers were both very informative and detailed, his knowledge and professionalism shone through, all the committee agreed that they could work with him and his company on the design and delivery of a new course. Brief minutes are attached ([CLICK HERE](#)) however our club secretary left the meeting early and some items were not minuted.

By now you will all of heard that we have identified an alternative site to that at Houghton, closer to Scraptoft, unfortunately we cannot reveal the site location just yet without the present owner's permission. Following the above meeting Ken Moodie, Ken Bell and myself went to visit this site with a view to getting an opinion on which site is preferred from a GOLF COURSE DESIGN VIEW ONLY, irrespective of the traffic implications, location, land costs, environment or any other issues. We need to ensure that the site we choose will be able to deliver a golf course to our liking and requirements. To date we have not had a response but hope to receive one within the next few weeks.

The club will be trying to use local advisors were possible and a Meeting has been arranged with local Architects to ascertain if they are suitable to design the new clubhouse, they are the same ones who designed Kibworth cricket club's new facilities.

In addition we have identified a couple of accountants who we will be contacting, one of which has already had experience of relocating a golf club and been involved in the complex tax issues. We will also be seeking advice from other bodies such as England Golf and the EGU in an effort to identify courses that have already been through this process.

Please remember all of this is at no cost to SGC.

With regards to the planning area, following a meeting of the HDC executive committee on Monday 9th May we believe that the Scraptoft South site (A47 to Covert Lane) has been replaced by the Scraptoft North proposal (the SGC site) and is now one of three sites shortlisted for consideration in the forthcoming build program, Lutterworth and Kibworth are the other two sites. The feeling at present is that the Lutterworth site is favourite although they have a motorway bridge to construct and have other environmental issues.

The next stage is for the Heads of Terms to be agreed, obviously we want to mirror wherever possible the City Council agreement and then supplement these to add safeguards over the leased land. The Heads of Terms are the working document which crystallises every detail of what is agreed with regards to the sale of the course and what will be provided on the new site. These by their nature are very complex and time consuming and are likely to take many months to finalise.

All the relocation teams will be working very hard to ensure that this agreement fulfils our needs to enable the proposed relocation to take place.

In view of the sensitivity and confidentiality of the proposed relocation all information notices and details will now be reported in the members' area of our website only.

Colin Griffiths, Chairman

HUNGARTON & KEYHAM W.I. NEWS

MAY MEETING: On May 16th we discussed, debated and voted on this year's resolutions.

Appropriate care in hospitals for people with dementia: 8 voted for this resolution and 1 abstention.

Avoid food waste—address food poverty: 6 voted for this resolution and 3 were against.

Our votes, plus three other W.I.'s in our area will be taken forward to the Annual meeting, by our delegate, Val Rawlinson this year is to be held in Brighton.

As people live longer a problem that has to be addressed very often is the onset of dementia and Alzheimer's disease. 850,000 people in the UK are living with dementia and that number is expected to rise beyond a million in the next five years. One in four beds in hospitals is occupied by someone suffering with dementia. Not all hospitals are dementia friendly. The W.I. are asking for carers to be able to stay in hospital with these patients. A better outcome all round, to be understood, be less agitated, help with feeding etc.

15m tonnes of food is wasted across the UK every year. There is so much more to do to distribute surplus food. The NFWI has no mandate to address food poverty. This resolution would empower the NFWI nationally and members locally on reducing food poverty.

While enjoying refreshments from Yvonne and Marion we listened to poetry read by Joan Hands; and, yes, it lightened up the evening, making us smile with some well-known poems from Joan Grenfell, Flanders and Swan, Gervase Phinn and Pam Ayres.

JUNE GARDEN MEETING: On 27th a visit to Sue Blaxland's garden in Vicarage Close, Syston. Sue is a garden designer and is head of the research team at the Leicester & Rutland Garden Trust. This is a Bring and Share Picnic. Please also bring along an extra fold-up chair or two, the usual platters and cutlery and glasses and not forgetting food! Husbands and partners are welcome. All we want is a fine evening.

HAMPTON COURT FLOWER SHOW: 7th July. The tickets are now all sold but if anyone is still interested in going please let me know and if anyone has to pull out there may be a ticket for you. The coach will pick-up from the War Memorial in Hungarton at 7.00 a.m. Please bring along your breakfast to eat on the coach. It is an early start but will surely help with destination time. We will leave London at 5.00 p.m. Both ways with a comfort stop. If you have any other questions please speak to me on 01162595672 or 07724883832. There are still people who haven't let me have a mobile contact telephone number. Thank you.

JULY MEETING: On the 18th Tilton History Group, Jim Auterson. Keyham Village Hall 7:30 pm. "Digging up the Digby's". Refreshments will be served by the Keyham W.I. ladies.

Marie Lloyd (President Hungarton & Keyham W.I.)

KEYHAM NEWS: LOOKALIKES

Following the demise of this popular feature, here are some tweets from the KN Twitter Account:

"I am so glad that that this ridiculous feature has been dropped. Perhaps we can get back to being more like a good old Parish Magazine. Some recipes and knitting patterns would be most suitable along with more poems from that Oddjob chap (even though some of them don't rhyme very well)" *#complainaway*

"Great shame that Lookalikes are no more. I thought they were dead great and a right laff" *#toogoodtolast*

"What a relief that Lookalikes have finished. Around the 25th of every month I became unable to sleep for days in case I was the next month's subject. I hope it **NEVER EVER** comes back. But in case it does, people say I'm a dead ringer for Marilyn Monroe in a certain light" *#oooyouareawful*

Opinion is clearly divided. Why not have your say through the usual channels.

Ed

Eight Oktas of Colour

(OKTA: a unit to express cloud cover)

Assorted shapes assemble
As skyscape malls of cloud,
Sun in setting alchemy
Styles gold and silver
On a bedded blue,
Then shifting shades of pearl
Soften dusk in dalliance
Reflecting on the day.

Oddly