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Welcome to our May edition of the Keyworth News. The village seems to be coming back to life with gardens now being the place to be! I can't wait to visit my brother Mark and his family to see all the lovely work he has been doing in his.

R.H. Rose



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A message from the Keyworth News owner,

Mark Corbett

For the last few weekends I've been doing task after task in the garden - digging holes, building planters and a bbq, laying stones and more besides. It's been hard work, but with the warmer weather now appearing I think it's starting to pay off.

Throughout this pandemic I've realised how lucky most of here in Keyworth have been, having this access to our own green space. Even at it's coldest, just being able walk or sit down outside was a small pleasure. So with the sun and improved surroundings it's doubly enjoyable. But what's more enjoyable still is now, finally, I can share it. I'm really looking forward to the long-postponed visits from family and friends, and I expect many of you are too!



Mark

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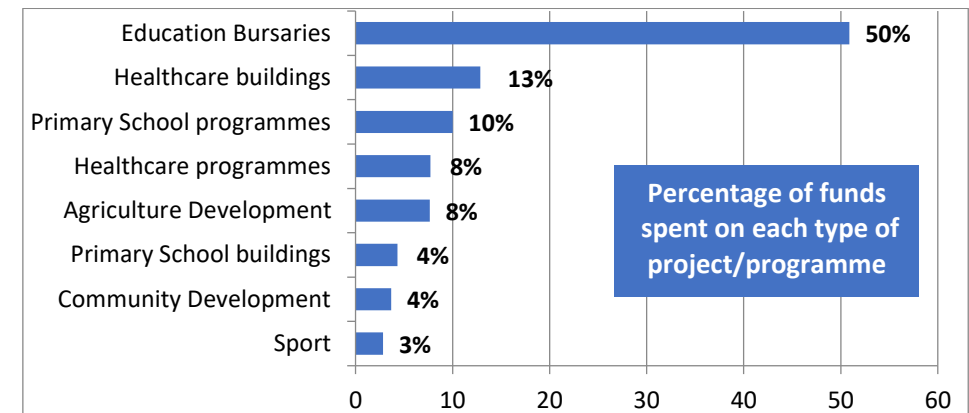
News from The Friends of Kadzinuni

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In April 2021 it was 23 years since we first discovered the village of Kadzinuni, on the coast 40km north of Mombasa in Kenya. What a journey it has been so far! We thought that this would be a good time to reflect financially upon what has been achieved. Since we established The Friends of Kadzinuni in 2003 each year we have raised on average £16,407, including Gift Aid, over £316,000 in total, much from kind and generous people in and around Keyworth. The chart below gives a breakdown of how those funds have been used.



Many people are quite rightly interested to know how much of the donated funds actually goes to charitable projects. We are proud and pleased to be able to show that over 97% of all donations has been spent on projects at Kadzinuni. The majority of our administration expenses have been specifically covered by donations from our trustees with liability Insurance and bank charges for International transfers consuming 1.5%.

In mid-October this year, Covid-19 restrictions permitting, we hope to be able to visit Kadzinuni as we have not been out there since 2012. Then perhaps we'll be able to publish a "before and after" photo journal to demonstrate the transformation that our supporters have made possible.

Nic & Elaine Seller, Founders

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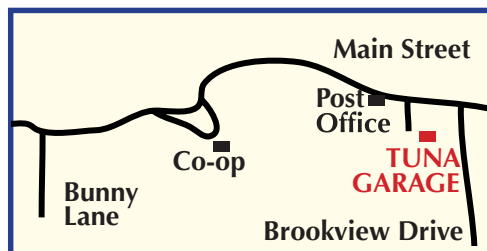
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To complete their topic in the final week of term, the children became historians and stepped back in time 500 years to examine the life and death of perhaps his most famous wife - Anne Boleyn. They divided the history and the evidence into four sections and created short drama scenes recreating the historic events.

Why not go to our school website, watch the performances for yourself and make up your own mind...was Anne Boleyn guilty as charged? Or was there a larger conspiracy surrounding her downfall?

An Easter EGGstravaganza!



Easter at KPNS is one of our favourite times of year as we have many long-standing traditions which we like to enjoy as a school -we're sure many ex KPNS pupils across the village will remember taking part in them from years gone by. Last March we were sad not to be able to participate in our usual Easter fun due to going into lockdown number 1. Therefore, we were very eggcited to all be back in school together so that our Annual Egg Rolling Championship and egg decorating competition could be reinstated.

We had 72 entries from F1 to Y6 in our egg decorating competition. They were all fantastic and so creative! A very special thanks to The One Stop Shop who donated 50 chocolate eggs to give as prizes to the pupils, we very much appreciate the support from our local community.

Midweek the whole school took part in our Easter Massive Maths and it was totally eggcellent! The children eggsplored symmetry, co-ordinates, problem solving, fractions and much more. There was plenty of head scratching and lots of fun too!



Finally, we finished off the week in style with our Annual Egg Rolling Championship. The weather was kind and held for us so we could do it outside and all be together. We apologise to any local residents who we may have disturbed with our cheering and laughter- it is a very serious and competitive event!! The staff were disappointed to not be victorious this year but one of our Year 3 pupils was crowned the 2021 Egg Rolling Champion after a cracking performance!

Well done TEAM KPNS, a great term and we can't wait to see what's in store for the Summer Term ahead!

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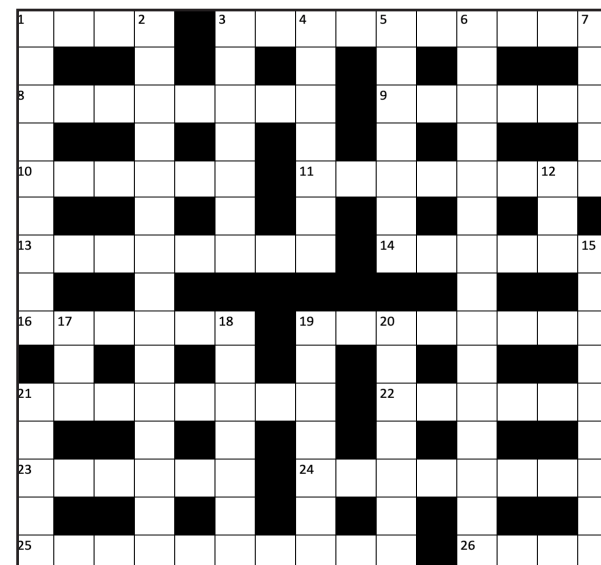
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Answers to last month on back page

Across

1. Put together muddled pantomime character! (4)
3. Chip really mixed cheese from Wales. (10)
8. Ruth endlessly touring French river – what motive could she have for that? (8)
9. Good Croat going around in junior vehicle. (2,4)
10. Idea to replace 'orient' with 'east' – it's shorter – their sound is better. (4'2)
11. They are the senior generation – muddled without replying. (8)
13. Crones or energetic singers – I prefer Bing Crosby and Nat King Cole myself! (8)
14. Thick soup –transfer good to conservatives in builders' boots! (3,3)
16. Apparently 'e says 's' after 'e', or tries! (6)
19. Stucco an obvious mixture from these details. (8)
21. If Dingle sorted himself out and put on an old penny, he'd act like Nero did in Rome. (8)
22. Committed blunder? Not right – better a handful of sticks. (6)
23. We hear you coach badly when you need a tablet to sweeten things. (6)
24. Bring sea, rough but on the right course! (8)
25. Cap a meeting? Not good. Should free from bondage. (10)
26. She daily needs treatment – not I, she declares! (4)

Down

1. Feline chases rodent around house at first – man's lip brush! (9)
2. Occasionally confused, even they ran down together. (5,3,3,4)
3. Hence is the busy place where you buy Oriental cuisine! (7)
4. Rag seen untidily about makes people angry. (7)
5. A gent Pa was mistaken for in festival parade. (7)
6. Was Queen in net social disruption? 'E's gone. It doesn't matter! (15)
7. "Sit ye down" was something my father used to say to foreign creatures! (5)
12. Ear tweaked in times past! (3)
15. Give pretty empty brasses to people going past. (7-2)
17. Risk a tumble doing this? Not right! (3)
18. Encouragement unhappily limits you. (7)
19. A large 'B' unfolded is the size you need – simple! (7)
20. 'E ended up carelessly carrying bag into cab with brassica! (8)
21. Chief was troubled by data strip. (5)

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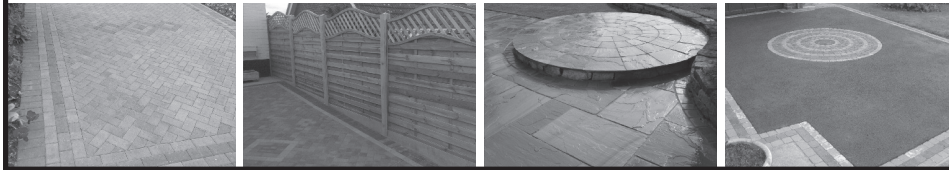
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07/03/2021	ASB	Nottingham road	Noisy youths on recreation ground
18/03/2021	Abandoned Vehicle	Hayes road	Vehicle checked no issues
20/03/2021	ASB	Normanton Lane	Party at an address
23/03/2021	Criminal Damage	Platt lane	Damage to building
27/03/2021	Theft from vehicle	Manor road	Van window damaged
20/03/2021	Bladed weapon	Brook view drive	Male with knife

Plumtree

No Crime Reported

Tollerton

11/03/2021	Theft from shop	Melton road	Petrol theft
11/03/2021	Theft from shop	Melton road	Theft of goods
14/03/2021	Theft from shop	Melton road	Theft of goods
14/03/2021	Theft from shop	Melton road	Petrol theft
16/03/2021	ASB	Caller was not sure	Males smashing glass bottles
23/03/2021	Theft from shop	Melton road	Petrol theft
26/03/2021	Theft other	Melton road	Petrol theft
31/03/2021	Animals/Wildlife	Cotgrave road	Cutting down of trees
31/03/2021	Theft other	Melton road	Petrol theft

Nevile - Covering Hickling, Kinoulton, Owthorpe, Upper Broughton

30/03/2021	Crime other	Green Lane	Fly tip
11/03/2021	Theft of Vehicle	Kinoulton Lane	Theft of vehicle
29/03/2021	Theft Other	Station road	Theft of Trailer

Wolds - Covering Normanton on the Wolds, Stanton on the Wolds, Clipstone on the Wolds, Widmerpool, Willoughby on the Wolds, Thorpe on the Glebe

24/03/2021	ASB	Old Melton road	Drunk male
16/03/2021	Theft of Vehicle	Melton road	Theft of Quad Bike

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I am smiling to myself as I write because when I started to write early in April and today the 6th as I'm finishing, the weather has been so typical of our wonderful, contrary country. I began with summer time heat and finished in snow and bitterly cold wind.....Only Britain has this extreme.

I want to begin my missive "proper" this month by congratulating a wonderful member of K&D u3a, Gwenda Copson. Gwenda has raised the sterling sum of £250 for Maggie's, Nottingham by producing Easter gifts of baskets, hollow bunnies and chicks all containing chocolate eggs. Some members simply made a donation while many members, like me, enhanced the gifts by including folding money as presents for their grandchildren!

I must compliment the very entertaining presentations at the monthly Zoom meetings in March and April and in anticipation of Danielle Hendley's presentation on May 25th I really do recommend you request joining the meeting by contacting our chairman Howard Fisher. I am sure you will be pleased you did. Danielle's presentation is entitled "I didn't know that".....intriguing!

I wonder how many of us are dreaming of summer holidays and are watching the "road map" in anticipation of escaping our rather restricted existence. Whether we imagine the golden sands and turquoise sea of exotic destinations or simply days out in our own wonderful country let's continue to dream. Nobody can take away our thoughts. Our friends within u3a are with us to share our dreams and we can all wait for the freedom we seek, safely. We can support one another in so many ways so don't hold back. A smile and a hello can make someone's day.....make someone's day tomorrow!

Many of us will be receiving our second jab over the next few weeks, if we haven't already and with it our confidence will be increasing so watch this space as Keyworth and District u3a gets back to normal. We guess that the walking and cycling groups will be among the first to restart and they will be followed as soon as we have the appropriate go ahead from the Government and Third Age Trust so keep watching this space.

Take care and stay safe everyone.

Sue O'Donoghue.

A Poem by Diane Wright Down In The Meadow ...

Down in the Meadow, where spring's busy
springing,

The may blossom's blooming, the birds are
all singing.

The young ones – they like to come down
to the stream,

But some also spoil what could be a dream.

"A little piece of heaven" someone once
said.

Hey – not when there's litter left on the
stream bed.

Somewhere to recharge both your body
and soul -

To escape all that building that's on such
a roll!

But it's not just for humans – there's other
life too

That connects with this place, and must
share it with you.

So why leave this rubbish – it won't rot
away,

But might snare and entangle things that
can't have a say.

It's not only our Meadow that suffers this
blight -

Those beaches and parks – it just isn't
right!

A culture of litter that pervades everywhere
Is now the new "norm" for those who don't
care.

So, PLEASE, show some respect, both to
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We have just four meetings in May, the final one being the AGM on the 27th, but before that we will welcome two talented visiting speakers. The first on May 6th is Steve Thewis. Steve will be demonstrating Cosplay Photography, the aim of which, in its simplest form, is to accurately portray a character from real life or fiction by copying their exact look down to the smallest details. There can be a lot more to it than that and Steve will discuss how planning, lighting and manipulation in Photoshop contribute to his final stunning images.

The following week, the professional landscape photographer Colin Jarvis, whose work has been widely published, will present "Mono Moods". He will be showing a variety of monochrome landscapes and architectural subjects which will include long exposure and infrared images. He will also explain his post processing techniques.

On the 20th we will be reviewing the images entered in our Spring Treasure Hunt.

Our meetings start at 7.30 and will be run on Zoom. Non-members can buy tickets through the Event Booking link on the Home Page of our website: www.keyworthcameraclub.org.uk



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A New Season At Keyworth Bowls Club

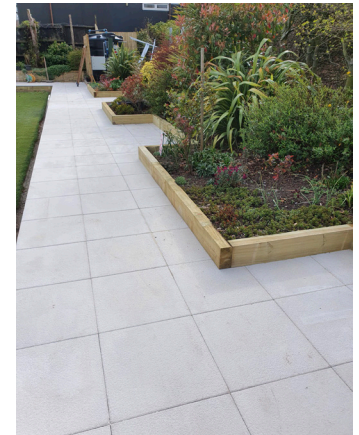
Here at Keyworth Bowls Club we are all looking forward to the new season of bowling with optimism. Last year was a bit of a wash out as we could not play league matches and were unable to open due to Covid until well into the season. This had an impact on club finances. We had little income and still had the cost of maintaining our green and pay utilities in all over £13k.

Thanks to Covid 19 grants we managed to obtain thanks to the Sterling efforts of our treasurer, Richard Pell, we were able to cover our bills.

We have also used the winter to make some improvements with new pavement around our green. Now all we need are new members, as over the last few years we have seen a decline in membership as have many of the clubs. I am not sure why, I think bowls gets the wrong image as a game for old people and an exclusive club. Far from it we welcome everyone who would like to play bowls and especially younger members. We now have coaches who are only too willing to give free tuition to newcomers. It is easy to play after one introductory lesson but not so easy to master. Membership is being held at the 2019 fee of £100 and for this you can play as often as you wish from mid April to late September. We have league and friendly matches with other clubs nearly every day. These are played afternoons, evenings and weekends. We also have organised casual play for members who do not want to play serious bowls and just want a bit of relaxation. Or you will be able to just practice on your own or with others as often as you wish.

So, please give us a try, come and see our newly improved surroundings, we would normally have an open day in May but this is not possible this year due to Covid restrictions. However if you would like to come and play just phone me, Richard on 07944 682607./ 0115 998 3533 or come in when you see anybody playing to get information about joining. We really need you and will not charge you anything for the first two or three times you will only pay when and if you join our club. All you will need is a pair of flat bottom shoes we have plenty of different size bowls to suit all, even junior sets for youngsters.

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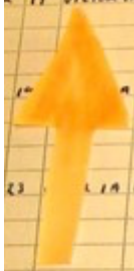
Our monthly meeting was held on Zoom on 8th April, we were privileged to hear about Branch Chair John Stansfield's career in the aviation industry. By showing us some of the stories from his flying log books, he was able to paint a vivid picture of some of the interesting and sometimes-dangerous situations he had to resolve. From flying Victors at the height of the Cold War to 727s in his civil aviation career, John's talk was full of stories that had his audience on the edge of their seats!

If you missed the meeting and would like a recording of John's brilliant talk, please email rafakeyworth@gmail.com.

Next month, we will be having another talk from one of our members. Our meeting will be held on Zoom on Thursday 12th May at 1930; if you'd like to join this meeting, please email rafakeyworth@gmail.com.



John with failed engine parts



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Talking: John Stansfield

John's Logbook with engine failure date

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Senior & Junior cricket will be set up with the following two guidelines: 'Performance', meaning play to win, but not at all costs, maintaining the spirit of cricket and the 'Keyworth Way'. Batting and bowling will be chosen on the basis of the best chance to win the game. This is designed to feed the performance level of the club in the long term, as well as to allow the best players to enjoy a 'no glass ceiling' approach at the club. 'Participation' will allow everyone to get a game and while we play to win, the hope is that everyone feels included and wants to play again next time – with those who bat a lot, bowling less and vice versa. Our Sunday 5ths team has 12 'development league' fixtures planned and our 6ths team is looking to play as many as 16 games across the summer in this manner.

We are hoping to run some 'performance coaching' sessions again this summer too for younger players those who want to try and go the extra mile. In the past couple of seasons the club has run sessions with the likes of Chris Read, Darren Bicknell, Ollie Mortenson, Lydia Greenway, Mick Newell, Matt Boyce & Wayne Noon.

We have resumed our in-school coaching programme leading to our Schools Festival on Tuesday 22 June. Starter 'kwik' cricket ECB programmes, All Stars & Dynamos can be booked now and follow on from THREE FREE FRIDAYS of kids coaching to celebrate the 'Return to Sport'. Check out: www.bit.ly/kcc-all-stars or www.bit.ly/kcc-dynamos

The Antiguan Exchange Programme is also set to return this summer and we hope to welcome a player in May, once quarantine has been observed.

Presidents Day is scheduled for Saturday 12 June and is a reunion of former players meeting with old team mates, hearing about the development goals of the club, and mix with current players and supporters.

Among a number of social events in planning is a first ever Women & Girl's Day - 2020 saw 104 females playing cricket with KCC. We are also planning an event with the Antiguan Under 17 cricket party continuing the cultural exchange we are lucky to enjoy with the island on August 1st.

For more news or information please follow Keyworth Cricket Club across social media platforms or contact Barry Baker (President). keyworthcc@yahoo.com www.keyworthcc.net

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BRANCH&BLOOM

A Monthly Newsletter by Branch & Bloom Gardening

It's that time of year when on the first sign of sunshine you can hear the distant hum of a lawn mower. We are all so eager to get outdoors, tidy up, and take back control of our gardens after endless months of being cooped up indoors.

But can we be too tidy? It's important to remember that your piece of earth also belongs to the wildlife that inhabits it. All the creatures that live alongside us make our garden what it is, from the tiniest organisms in the soil to the birds that we love to watch visiting our bird feeders.

This month we have sought out advice from a local wildlife expert on what we can do to help our wildlife enjoy our gardens as much as we do. Mike Warren is Amanda's neighbour, President of Nottingham Birdwatchers and a member of The Society of Wildlife Artists.

We first spoke about grass and our lawns. We were pleased that Mike is also an advocate of our own ethos, "if a lawn is green, it's okay just leave it". However, he also recommends:

- Leaving the moss for nesting birds.
- Leaving longer areas of grass to develop and allowing some lawn weeds to encourage beneficial insects which in turn provide food for the birds.
- Never using chemicals which destroy the biodiversity of the soil.

As a life longer member of the RSPB Mike had this advice on feeding our garden birds:

- Mike only provides food in winter saying birds should seek out their own food in summer.
- If you do feed all year round, do not feed peanuts after April as they may choke young birds.
- Many small birds traditionally forage for wild seeds, so try sowing seed forming flowers in your garden for them.
- Leave seed heads until the following Spring.
- Regularly check the food you provide, making sure it isn't mouldy.
- Clean and wash bird feeders and tables regularly.
- Always wash your hands after handling bird feeders and don't bring them into the house to wash.
- Place feeders near to cover to aid quick get away!

It's important to protect our nesting birds at this time of year, so:

- Try not to trim hedges now until after mid-August and if you have to, use hand trimmers.
- Establish climbing plants for future nesting opportunities
- Plant a mixed hedge instead of fencing
- Plant a tree.

In summary, we think it's important to embrace nature and allow it to thrive in your garden, and it won't be long before the benefits will be there to see. Don't obsess too much about perfection. This isn't nature's way.

Amanda & Nicola

GARDEN JOBS FOR MAY

Prune spring flowering shrubs after they have flowered.

Sow vegetable crops outdoors after last frosts.

Make hanging baskets and planters, and plant out summer bedding at end of the month.

Sweet peas should be planted out by now. Seeds may also be direct sown now for a later crop.

Direct sow nasturtiums and marigolds which make good companion plants in the vegetable patch.

Dead head daffodils and tulips leaving the foliage to feed the bulb for next year.

Lift and divide over-crowded daffodils, grape hyacinths, winter aconites.

Sow beans, sweetcorn, cucumber, courgettes, pumpkins and squash under cover

Earth up potatoes



what to look out for this month....



Common blue butterfly is amongst the first non-hibernating butterfly to emerge.

The honey bees start making honey from pollen and nectar collected from flowers.

The red-tailed bumble bee is one of the most widespread species of bumble bee.

Swifts arrive here from Africa in early May and remain for 3 months to breed.

English bluebells flower from mid-April to late May. Wild English bluebells can be found in local woodlands and are lightly scented with a drop like shape and hanging flowers. These should not be confused with the Spanish bluebell which have an upright stem and no scent.

Hares may be seen boxing on farmland.



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Secret Gardener

Mission Accomplished

The biggest difficulty with wildlife-friendly gardening is the neighbourhood cats who regard our plot as an all-you-can-eat buffet with any empty soil being the accompanying toilet facilities. It's their nature but it's not nice and weeding becomes a hazardous, foul-smelling, nauseating affair unless done attentively with a suitable bag to hand to collect any cat poo found in the beds.

A combination of native and other hedging, shrubs and chicken wire has made it near impossible for cats to breach the garden perimeter but seasonal pruning makes the wildlife vulnerable at times as has happened recently. So, having borrowed a pump-action water pistol from a cat-owning friend, and having already noted the times that a particular cat would be seen in our garden, I today lay in wait for it; water pistol armed and ready.

I think I spent nearly two hours sitting very still but the time flew. I discovered that I had a goldcrest visiting the fat ball feeder and a pair of greenfinches, as well as the blue tits, long-tailed tits, great tits, wood pigeons, blackbirds, dunnocks, sparrows, goldfinches, robin and collared doves. Having endured one snow shower and seeing another on approaching, I almost made a move to go but two mice appeared, one only 30 cm from my feet.

Then, the sound I had been waiting for as the cat jumped up onto the fence; eyes darting here and there watching the birds and critters and finally alighting on the mouse near my feet. As it stalked towards the mouse, eyes totally focused on it, my

unseen hand reached for the water pistol. Heart pounding, amazed it had not seen me sitting there I managed only one squirt before it was away and scuttling off over the fence having received hopefully a big surprise. Having identified some minor adjustments only to the hawthorn hedging should be sufficient until it grows back its wildlife protecting verdant spikiness, it was mission accomplished.



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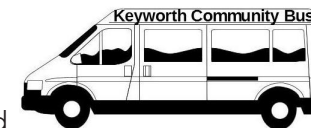
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The 100 Club raises money for our charity and gives you the chance to win these prizes every month. Each number only costs £2 per month, paid annually. The Club is full and we have a small waiting list, please contact us if you'd like to join it. All number owners have the option of not having their name disclosed.

A big thank you to our prize givers and congratulations to the winners.

During the current crisis our Day Centre and shopping trips and all other activities with our buses have been suspended.

With the Government roadmap now published we are hoping to re-open from the 21st June, subject to any Government and Keyworth Parish Council (for the Day Centre) restrictions making it practical and safe for us to operate.

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Keyvolution

The Right to Repair and the Right Plants! Can you help us?

One of the things that's helped me and many others in Lockdown, is BBC's "The Repair Shop" – a gentle and satisfying way to spend an hour, watching people renovate and mend cherished items. It reminds us that older things can still have value, and that a lot of older stuff was literally built to last.

Fortunately, that should also be true of newer things soon, as the UK is falling into line with new EU regulations that give us a "Right to Repair", with new appliances being designed to be mended and manufacturers being required to keep making spares for them for a much longer time. Even without that law, the things we're using in our homes today can often be mended by those with the knowledge and skill to diagnose what the problems are and fix them. Keyworth being the place it is, with so many skilled and talented individuals living here, we suspect that quite a few local people already have some of the skills we need for our own "Repair Shop" project, which we're hoping to start at the Exchanging Rooms in the near future. Please let us know if you're someone who mends things and fancies spending just a few hours doing that or advising others how to do it for themselves. We're aiming to have several repair days a year, but focussing on different things at each one, so it shouldn't mean a big time commitment, especially as we think there are likely to be several experts around for many of the main repairs that people will be wanting.

One thing Keyvolution already has the skills to improve is a garden. At the moment, we're cracking on with the garden space behind the Exchanging Rooms (our base on the Rectory Field, near the Village Hall). The garden space is now cleared and the path has been improved by our team of socially-distanced willing workers. We'll be continuing with that, and also running regular plant and seed swaps and giveaways for a donation each month, so keep an eye out for those on social media and we'll be putting up posters on the Exchanging Rooms noticeboard with the dates too. Feel free to contribute if you have spare plants yourself and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Photo – our slab-laying team and their handiwork.





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Clerical Officers: Helen Bradshaw and Michelle Law. See below for contact details.

Website: Please keep an eye on the Council website for updates, agendas, minutes, and other information: www.keyworthparishcouncil.org

Forthcoming Meetings: (These are provisional dates, TBC at the Annual Parish Meeting and maybe subject to change) 5th May 2021 7:00pm Annual Parish Council Meeting; 17th May 7:00pm Planning Meeting; 24th May 2021 7.00pm Finance & Risk; all by video and audio conference.

Please see the council's website for details of forthcoming council meetings, and for details of any changes in this respect: www.keyworthparishcouncil.org/council-calendar. Due to current social distancing requirements, council meetings are being held by video and audio conference until alternative arrangements become appropriate. The meeting agenda will be published in the normal way on the 'Council Information' section of the website, under 'Agendas and Minutes', and an invitation to the public to the video conference will be published on the agenda. All meetings held by video and audio conference will be open to the public as normal. To attend a parish council meeting video conference, please see the agenda for the link to the video conference and audio conference telephone number.

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CHAIR'S REPORT 2020/21

This has been a year like no other. COVID-19 has completely changed, perhaps for ever, the way we all live, work, and communicate. For the Parish Council this has impacted on how we hold meetings, the focus of our activities, the use of our facilities and the links and communications we have across the village and beyond.

The most impressive and rewarding feature of the last year for me, has been the way residents of Keyworth have pulled together and organised themselves into a support network, extending throughout the village and operating at street-level. Many other positives are emerging. In particular I wanted to highlight partnerships with groups working to support those in need, via foodbanks, mental health awareness and support for young people, via sport, exercise, and other activities. There have also been several initiatives to improve our environment, increasing eco-friendliness and sustainability. These initiatives and programmes would not be possible without the dedication of the organisers, often volunteers, and I would like to take this opportunity to say a massive 'Thank you' on behalf of myself and the Parish Council, to all those who have given their time and energy to help others through the last year. You have been amazing and Keyworth is a safer and better place to live thanks to your wonderful teamwork.

Going forwards I am keen to grow the excellent work of those across the village and wider, who seek to protect and preserve our wonderful countryside and extend and enhance our green, eco-friendly, and sustainable ways of working and living, so that the natural world can continue to delight and sustain us into the future. Other key priorities for the next year include continuing to support those in need; continuing to work with RBC and our Borough and County Councillors, to reduce the negative and enhance the positive impact of new developments on our village and its surroundings; to work with residents and local groups to continue to enhance our environment, and to work with sports leaders, schools, clubs and other local groups, to create an inclusive and accessible activity and wellbeing framework, linking Parish Council facilities with developments at Platt Lane, and other venues, providing sports, exercise and recreational opportunities for all.

Tamsin Armour

Chair, Keyworth Parish Council

The full Chair's annual report can be found at:

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Defibrillator

A new defibrillator for Keyworth has been installed in the K6 telephone box outside the Pear Tree public house on Nottingham Road.

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This fast-charging site works in sync with the rapid site at the Bunny Lane car park, so there will soon be a range of charging options in Keyworth depending on need.



Bin it!

Keyworth Parish Council would like to thank Sophia Hackett, age 4, for sending us her fantastic 'Bin It' poster. Sophia and her family joined other volunteers last September for the Keyworth Parish Council organised village clean up and have continued to litter pick around the village on a regular basis. Sophia made the poster because she felt that the amount of litter had increased over the months and wanted to remind us, through her poster, the importance of keeping our communities clean.

Sophia has drawn triangular coloured grass with a blue wheelie bin and rubbish all around.



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South Notts Shotokan Karate Club The New Easter Course

For many club members the Easter period is synonymous with the KUGB's spring course held annually at this time on the English Riviera in Torbay. The 2020 course could not take place as it coincided with the initial outbreak of the Covid 19 pandemic and the beginning of the first lockdown period. However 12 months' later a radically redesigned online course was delivered over the Easter weekend and was a resounding success. Club members joined attendees from around the country and beyond to take advantage of three days' of outstanding training from the comfort of their own homes!.



Although the sea breeze and golden beach at Goodrington Sands were not part of the experience this year, the new line up of eighteen instructors more than made up for it. And what a line up it was - among their number were current national, European and World champions of kata and kumite, the national squad coaches of England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland, together with the KUGB's technical committee of 8th dan masters of the art!

The course turbocharged everyone who was able to take advantage of the opportunity. It also provided a rather nice boost as the club prepares to return to live training indoors for young people under 18yrs of age and outdoors for adults over the coming weeks.

Adults, young people and children (min 6yrs) who would like to learn karate may do so online at www.snskc.clubz.co.uk. For more information contact the club secretary on 07811 819221.



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Keyworth Kids Crafts



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Keyworth and Ruddington Inner Wheel

Many hands make.....Twiddle Muffs

In response to an appeal in the Keyworth News for twiddle muffs some members of the Inner Wheel Club of Keyworth and Ruddington set to work to make some. Using up scraps of wool, material and buttons over 80 muffs have so far been made to deliver to the NHS.

The muffs can help some patients with dementia and sensory problems by providing an object to handle and explore.



Wild Things Keyworth



National Hedgehog Awareness week (2nd-8th May 2021) is run annually by the British Hedgehog Preservation Society. It also ties in with another wildlife initiative, "No Mow, May". The British conservation charity, Plantlife, encourages us to refrain from mowing our lawns, or mow 'pathways' instead, which is great for Hedgehogs as they love a mixture of long and short grass.

Hedgehogs also love thick-based hedgerow. They eat insects, beetles, earthworms, anything that creeps and crawls and also carrion (dead animals) such as mice or frogs. Their presence is indicative of a healthy, living garden and you will soon notice bird song and wildlife activity if you add in trees, hedgerow, a wildlife pond with a shoreline and steer clear of the synthetic, concrete and chemical.

Supplementary feeding with kitten/cat/dog biscuits (kibble) and a bowl of fresh clean shallow water can be offered. Hedgehog specific food is available from Petsbits in Keyworth for example, or Brambles and Spikes. Please stick to simple food as described - other foods, like mealworms, pose a severe bone disease risk.

Hedgehogs are 'indicator species'. Their health and abundance 'indicates' how well we are fairing faced with environmental change. Since the wild British hedgehog is on the red list and endangered to extinction within this decade, now is the time to act to turn their fortunes around, and ours.

'Keyworth Hedgehog Highways' ties in to the national 'Hedgehog Highways' campaign by the BHPS and the People's Trust for Endangered Species. All around the country, towns and villages are providing hedgehog infrastructure, garden by garden, neighbour by neighbour (even new housing developments) with a subtle gap in a fence 13cm x 13cm. Hedgehogs can also walk up shallow steps and stairways – each step the height of a brick.

If you would like to be included on a list to have a gap made in your concrete based fence in Keyworth, please email wildthingskeyworth@gmail.com - we're delighted that Hedgepigs, Hedgehog Rescue in Beeston can loan their special equipment to us for this job in the coming weeks.

Wild Things Keyworth - Colouring Competition closing date 21st June

To celebrate Hedgehog Awareness week, we are delighted to announce a colouring competition supported by Keyworth based artist and illustrator, Liz Waddell.

Liz wanted to support our local initiative to inspire more neighbours to create "Hedgehog Highways" in the village and has created this stunning original artwork for us.

As someone who enjoys and is inspired by nature herself, Liz depicts how fortunes can change for the positive for our hedgehogs if we make provision for them to pass through our gardens to reach feeding points and meet mates - with gaps in fences, walls and under gates.

Liz's line drawing can be downloaded from fb.me/wildthingskeyworth or email: wildthingskeyworth@gmail.com

Winning artwork will be displayed in The Simpler Life shop, Main Street, Keyworth and Wild Things Keyworth Facebook page. Prizes for children and adults.

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Springtime at Belvoir Vale Care Home

Hello everybody!

Well, spring is here, the daffodils are blooming, the ducks and ducklings are back in the pond, and as we write this, it is a beautiful sunny day.

Here at Belvoir Vale Care Home in Widmerpool, we have had a busy month. After such a long lockdown, it has been so joyful for our residents to meet up with their loved ones again. Such a feel-good factor for all of us, and it really does feel that there is a light at the end of the tunnel.

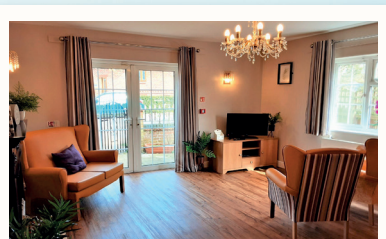
We have had our usual busy activities programme for the month. Mother's Day was so poignant, with an abundance of flowers and other gifts, and lots of happy, smiling faces.

Our weekly church service agenda is kindly emailed to us by Paul Johns from Keyworth Methodist Church. Our residents select their choice of hymns prior to this, and one of them reads the chosen passage from the Bible. We then personalise prayers; it is a truly inclusive and popular item.

Cheltenham Races combined with celebrating St Patrick's Day has been another special time this month. Fabulous Irish music, and then watching the Cheltenham Gold Cup, whilst enjoying prosecco, Baileys,

Guinness, and scrumptious homemade cake. One resident tipped the winner; he really impressed the others!

Fantastic news! Work has now been fully completed on our stand-alone bungalow (Gatehouse Cottage), which can accommodate six people. It has been furnished to a high standard to give independence, complete with a kitchenette, dining room, and patio garden, whilst giving the practical assurance of personal care combined with stylish living. It really is stunning and has won plaudits from the CQC. If you would like to have a look around, we would welcome your visit which can be arranged by appointment, please phone the home for more details.



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Belvoir Vale
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Amazing Audition, Billy Fury by Michael Parkinson and 22 Co-Authors

Chapter 1 describes a Liverpool youth being auditioned by Larry Parnes. He was put on stage that night, given the name Billy Fury and thrust into a national tour starting the very next night.

The next five chapters explain how Michael Parkinson devised a theatre show with choreographed dance to Billy Fury recordings. This was first performed at the Nottingham Arts Theatre with further shows at Lytham St Annes, Mansfield, New Brighton and London. There is a biography of Billy Fury and a graveside tribute performed in pouring rain.

Co-authors describe how the music and personality of Billy Fury has affected their lives. Some are ardent fans who got to meet him, one was an artist who impressed Billy with her work. Another accommodated Billy, his dog Crackers and Marty Wilde as non-paying guests in her house and has pictures to prove it.

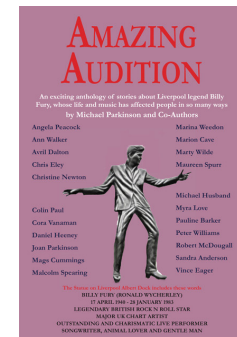
Christine was 14 when she was taken horse riding and finished up on the film set of Iv'e Gotta Horse. Tribute singer Colin Paul performed in many shows as Billy Fury and performed with his Mother and Brother. Cora danced in the first Billy Fury Dance show and progressed to directing professional dancers in a London show. Extrovert fan and performer Daniel Heeney tells his magical story. Joan Parkinson inspired husband Michael to promote the dance shows and tells her background story. Mags Cummings was an ardent fan who saw Billy on many occasions. A fellow 'Scouser' writes about Billy's mother and the Percy Phillips Recording Studio. Marina lost a new watch at a concert when she was 15 and went on to help tend his grave. Marian was seven when Billy visited her in hospital resulting in a lifelong friendship. Chris Eley shares his vast knowledge of Billy Fury recordings.

Follow performer, Marty Wilde describes his part in the audition and discloses an exclusive revelation. Maureen suffered the same heart problem as Billy but had a successful operation. Ardent fan Michael Husband, helped to run a Fan Club but had to dictate his story because he is now totally blind. Myra tells a heart wrenching story which has to be read to be believed. Another fan was just thirteen when she became a Billy fan and often went to see him.

Guitarist Peter Williams has recorded many CDs including one featuring the music of Billy Fury. Robert McDougal worked with young Ronald Wycherley on Liverpool docks. Fifteen year old Sandra was shy when meeting Billy at Larry Parnes penthouse apartment. She had been taken there by her Aunt Vera who worked for Parnes and performed in the Kenny Everett TV shows. Fellow performer Vince Eager writes about 'My Pal Bill'. Three young girls choreographed their party piece Turn Your Lamp Down Low and Run to my Loving Arms. One hundred and twenty pictures illustrate the stories, many supplied by the co-authors.

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Keyworth Tennis Club

Back at last!

After another long hibernation, social tennis is back on the courts at Elm Avenue, and match tennis and coaching are set to resume, too. The mens' short league team open the summer's fixtures on 1st May with an away trip to Mapperley Park. The mixed side resumes a week later, away to Wollaton, though the ladies' short league team doesn't have their first match – away at West Bridgford – until 18th June. Meanwhile, the women's National League is a bit curtailed in Nottinghamshire this summer, with only two clubs, Keyworth and Caunton, signing up. The winner of the home and away format will progress to a regional tie. Keyworth won the Notts section when it was last played in 2019.

Coaching – Inside Out Tennis is running two six-week LTA Youth Start Courses starting in May. Aimed at 4-11 year-olds who are new to tennis, it's great value at £29.99 and kids receive a free racket, balls, t-shirt and wristbands for an extra £5.99 (p & p).

Social tennis club nights are on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7pm.

Membership this year is again half-price. Full details at

Keyworth & District Lawn Tennis Club / Home (lta.org.uk)

Spring Maintenance Weekend

The Maintenance Weekend was held on 10th and 11th April. Members turned out to do various jobs around the courts and clubhouse. Several members tackled the weeds that were emerging around the edges of the courts. Others cleaned the outside of the clubhouse. Essential rescue work was carried out on the large wooden gates to the side yard and the replacement of a rotten beam in the patio canopy. The total number of hours worked was .26 and a half, carried out by 15 members.. The Committee wishes to thanks all those who gave their time to the club.

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Keyworth Community Projects

Spring Market 2021

Crafts Stalls, Hot & Cold Food to Takeaway

Saturday 22nd of May, 10:30am to 1:30pm

Keyworth Tavern Pub

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Following the success of our Christmas Market, Keyworth Community Projects is pleased to announce we are hosting a further Spring Market. We are running this event to raise funds for local projects to support our local community..

Due to the current pandemic we will have extra safety measures in place and social distancing guidance.

We have requested that all stall holders bring sanitiser for customers to use. We also politely ask all customers to follow the one way system and avoid crowding.

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Keyworth School of Theatre Dance, St Patricks Day



Keyworth School of Theatre Dance

(KSTD Established 1976) During The Pandemic

KSTD has continued during the pandemic by teaching their pupils via Zoom. Their 'Timeless' show raised £2,554.00 for Macmillan Cancer Support in March 2020 and it was the last show before Loughborough Town Hall and all theatres had to close their doors. Within a few days of the first Lockdown being announced, KSTD staff and pupils adapted immediately to a new platform that they had not heard of before and started to run a reduced timetable online. More recently KSTD have developed this timetable adding in more classes to meet demand and keep the children entertained and helping them keep well physically and mentally. Although the school will be returning to face-to-face classes after the Easter school holiday, some classes will remain on Zoom to protect the fixed groups the children are in to follow current guidelines. The NEW adult dance fitness class will also remain on zoom until adults are permitted to exercise indoors.

KSTD have taught face-to-face classes for a total of 9 weeks on and off since the first lockdown was announced and were able to run 2 full days of IDTA examinations with external examiners in December 2020 following a strict Covid-19 risk assessment and policy. The pupils achieved merits and distinctions which was particularly outstanding as the preparation had mostly been via remote learning.

To celebrate the success of the Irish River-dancing examination results and, in addition, St Patrick's Day on 17th March, KSTD produced a lockdown video montage of the Irish River-dancing pupils where over 60 pupils performed online. The feedback was fantastic and all pupils and parents enjoyed the opportunity to create a positive memory during such a difficult time.

KSTD, based in Keyworth for 45 years, is now expanding further afield and has new classes starting at Tollerton Methodist Church for pre-schoolers and school aged children in the form of dance clubs on Mondays and Saturdays. The pre-school programme is taught by Kirsty, a licensed Melody Bear® teacher on behalf of KSTD. Contact us to find out if there are new classes starting in your area.

KSTD has an extensive timetable of classes in all genres of theatre dance weekdays and Saturdays at multiple venues in Keyworth and at Tollerton Methodist Church. KSTD encourages children to gain confidence in a nurturing environment and also prepares pupils for IDTA examinations and gives pupils performance opportunities when Covid permits! Over the years, KSTD have performed at venues all over the East Midlands and have raised in excess of £40,000 for many charities. Pupils have gone on to study dance and performing arts at full time dance/drama colleges, university and to have careers in the television and theatre industries. Amongst the team of experienced teachers, 3 are ex-pupils of KSTD. We are also now teaching ex-pupils' children! KSTD was founded by Ann in 1976 and still teaches today.

KSTD teams up with MTW (Musical Theatre Workshops) in the holidays who run workshops for ages 5 plus. MTW are eager to continue when they are able to. (www.musicaltheatreworkshops.co.uk)

The team would like to express their thanks to the parents for their continued support throughout this difficult period.

For more information on all KSTD classes, please email us or contact Kirsty/Ann for more information:

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1st Keyworth Scout Group

As I promised from last month, here is a little update on the cubs sleepover. It flopped! When I say this I mean quite literally. Many of the cubs experienced a little issue with a den malfunction as during the session they made a 'robust' den to sleep in overnight but in the morning they shared many funny stories of collapsing roofs but scouts have to take the rough with the smooth. Saying this, they certainly did when they were enjoying their pain au chocolats and hot chocolates after they woke up!



Over the past month, we have had some busy beavers constructing their own lego models through problem solving. It really meant they had to wrack their brains to work out the logic to build the best and most accurate replication of the image they were given.

Not only have they been enjoying some hands on activities on zoom but have been investing time into working towards their Global Issues badge. Firstly, they learned



about endangered animals. Each beaver was allocated a different animal. They made a mask and a clay model as well as finding out three facts to share with the group.

Also, Sarah, from the 'Simpler Life', came onto zoom and told them all about recycling. The Beavers got really involved with the session and one child told

Slimming World Slimmers Donate 100 Chocolate Eggs

Not wanting to fall 'off plan' Michelle Tinlin and her Slimming World group donated 100 Easter eggs to the residents and staff of The Grand Care Centre, Greythorn Drive, West Bridgford, Nottingham. Michelle's mother in law Joyce, lives in The Grand, and like so many others hasn't seen her family for so long. It was the groups way of saying thank you to those key workers and bring a smile to the faces of so many residents in these difficult times. The staff, very kindly, brought Joyce into the foyer of The Grand to receive the donation on behalf of all staff and residents. It was very emotional as it was the first time Michelle and Joyce had face to face contact since last year.



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Writing through lockdown, by Keyworth resident, Teika Bellamy

As I've worked from home for many years, the lockdowns didn't impact my life as much as they could have done. Still, overnight, I became a homeschool teacher, and my days were suddenly filled with lessons, anxiety and overwhelm. In need of an escape from what was going on in the world, I built some writing time into my daily routine. Although only a snippet of each day, I looked forward to it, and any progress I made felt like a real win. Now, having recently had my first poetry pamphlet, entitled *Russian Doll*, published, I'm exploring new territories – readings and interviews via Zoom (which are both scary and exciting!). If anyone's ever considered trying their hand at creative writing, I'd urge them to give it a go. It can be such a relaxing, and empowering, process. It requires very few tools and there are no age restrictions. You can write about anything you like. Many of the poems in my pamphlet are about everyday things – like watching my daughter learn to swim at the Keyworth Leisure Centre, or playing Minecraft with my son! Inspiration is all about us, we have just to invite it into our lives.

For more information about Teika's debut pamphlet, please visit:

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The Swimming Lesson

We take it in turns to show interest
in the swimming lesson,
to wave at our children
when they pause,
panting from their exertions,
to seek our approval.
We direct remarks at each other:
"Isn't it hot?"
"They need to get some air in here."

I watch my daughter,
part mermaid, part astronaut,
glide and then kick
her way through the water;
and I long to join her –
to escape the heat,
the small talk and screens,
the gravity that binds me
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individual addresses and churches, or at;

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/keyworthanddistrictcaw>.

Barry's Chinese Pepper Steak & Potato Stir-fry

I'm finding it to be quite an eye-opener researching regional recipes. Lincolnshire is well known as an agricultural county. When driving through the area you see fields upon fields of green vegetables including the staple potato. Popular varieties grown are Maris Piper (roasting and chipping), Marfona (baking and mashing) and Stemster (boiling). This Chinese stir-fry showcases the potato brilliantly. Happy cooking – Barry

400g Maris Piper potatoes,
peeled, cooked, cooled and sliced into 2cm discs

FOR THE MARINADE

- 1 teaspoon light soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon cornflour
- 1 teaspoon Shaoxing wine or dry sherry
- 200g thin cut beef steaks, cut into 1cm slices

FOR THE PEPPER SAUCE

- 2 tablespoons light soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons Shaoxing wine or dry sherry
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon cornflour

FOR THE VEGETABLES

- 2 garlic cloves, peeled and finely chopped
- 3cm piece fresh root ginger, peeled and finely chopped
- 2 spring onions, white parts finely chopped, green tops reserved for garnish
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 each of green and red pepper, deseeded and cut into chunks
- 1 onion, peeled and cut into wedges

In a shallow dish mix the marinade ingredients together. Add the steak, coat gently, then cover and set aside. Combine the ginger, garlic and

spring onion in a bowl and set aside. In a small bowl mix together the pepper sauce ingredients and set aside. Heat 1 tablespoon of vegetable oil in a large saucepan. When very hot, add the steak and sizzle for 30 seconds each side. Remove from pan and put on a plate. Add a dash more oil to the pan, wait until it heats up before adding the potatoes. After about 30 seconds, or when they crisp up, flip them over to crisp the other side. Remove from the pan and place to one side. Add more oil before adding the peppers and onion. After about 3 minutes, when the vegetables have softened, remove from the pan and transfer to another plate. Add the last amount of oil along with the ginger, garlic and spring onion, stir briefly to cook before adding the sauce ingredients (stir before adding so the cornflour is mixed in). As soon as it begins to boil and thicken, tip all the cooked ingredients back into the pan to coat. Serve in bowls and garnish with the chopped green tops of the spring onions. Serves 2 and can easily be doubled.



Keyworth Lives – Harry Robinson



Harry moved to Keyworth from Wysall twenty years ago with his wife Janet. They have been happily married for 62 years. He was previously a manager in the clothes trade and both are keen golfers. Harry has been a member of Stanton on the Wolds Golf Club for over 50 years and has held numerous offices including President of the Nottinghamshire Union of Golf Clubs.

One of Harry's proudest feats was cycling 2250 miles across the United States back in 1992 when Harry was a sprightly young 50-something. He wanted to raise money for children with

cerebral palsy, but also wanted to do something out of the ordinary that would inspire people to give. As can be imagined taking on such an endeavour took a lot of planning. His efforts raised an incredible total of £22,500.

His first challenge of covering costs without dipping into the donation pot was met by a lucky encounter with the marketing director at British Airways. Being sat next to him at a dinner, Harry wasted no time in communicating his plans and was soon rewarded with complimentary flights. His route planning was assisted by the American Cycling Club whose advice was invaluable in tackling the infamous Rocky Mountains – note by travelling West to East and not East West, there's a good chance of having the wind at your back.



Prior to taking his flight out to Seattle, Harry's fund-raising efforts had already begun. Using his connections in golf circles Harry and Janet organised charity golf events across the county. He contacted Nottingham Forest, Notts County and local radio for prizes and publicity and received a tremendous response. The local radio stations even checked in weekly on Harry's progress during his journey. His newly found celebrity status was evident when his plans were announced by the air steward on his outbound flight which was met with cheers and a flood of donations.

From his arrival in Seattle to his departure in New York, Harry experienced the best



such as the American Chambers of Commerce.

For many of the locals the sight of man on a bike was completely out of the ordinary. Most days someone driving by would pull over and ask what he was up to. Noticing his British accent, the conversation often ended up with an enquiry along the lines of "do you know Princess Diana?". Harry being Harry, he didn't want to disappoint!

Harry even managed to combine his fundraising efforts with his love of golf. In many of the towns, once they knew of Harry's passion for the sport they insisted he play a round. Personally, I'm not sure I'd enjoy or be capable of anything other than eating or sleeping after cycling 80 miles, but Harry assures he won his fair share!

Out of all the interactions on the trip it was Harry's interactions with nature that were the highlights. When he spotted a stream or a scenic area he would stop and pause to take in the wildlife. Elk, moose and the fabled bald-headed eagle were some of the amazing creatures he saw on the way – luckily no bears or mountain lions! Unfortunately, it was also nature that cut Harry's trip short in the end, 90% humidity and soaring temperatures in the Mississippi Basin took its toll and with head overruling his heart, he had to call it day. But with all things considered, with the mileometer on his bike at 2250 – the equivalent of cycling from London to Cairo – Harry can rightly be proud.

A keen birdwatcher

Harry is also a keen bird watcher and has a beautiful collection of stuffed birds – all the birds died of natural causes.

of American hospitality. After transferring by bus to begin his trip in earnest at Astoria on the west coast of Oregon, his endeavours took him through numerous small towns and rural ranches. I admire Harry as much for his organisation as his ambition, because for every stop on the way he had organised free accommodation through local organisations



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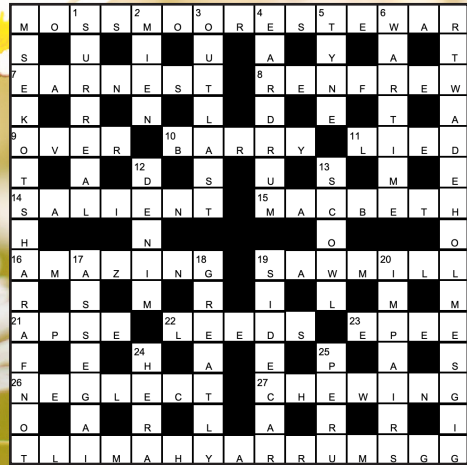
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