

# A NEW LIFE BY THE SEA

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Dear Homeowners,

In this December edition you will see more details of events in the lounge over the Christmas period. There's quite a lot and you are invited to them all, so please come to as many as suits you. For some of the events you need to sign up in advance on the notice board in the buggy store. It's also not too late to come to the Christmas Lunch at the White Lodge in Filey on December 10<sup>th</sup> and for all those attending this event, please pay the £20 to me by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

A little tip for those that like Christmas Wreaths on the Front Door. The easiest way to attach one is by loosening one of the small screws that hold the numbers to the front door and then retightening with the ribbon wrapped around it. This avoids damage to the door by screwing in a hook.

I often get enquiries about the Guest Suite at Brigg Court, how to book and pay. The Guest Suite is a bookable ensuite room with twin beds on the ground floor. It has a TV and Tea / Coffee making facilities and costs £25 per night. All the income is added to the Brigg Court account and therefore the more it is used, the lower the service charge! May sound exciting, but the task of cleaning, ironing, and changing the bedding falls to the House Manager. Often people ask why we don't pay a cleaner to do it? It's because at £25 a night we would find ourselves paying people to stay if we used a professional cleaner.

To book the Guest suite you can ring on 01723 516062, or pop in and see me. There is also a Guest Suite Diary in the cupboard drawer in the communal lounge, where homeowners can check availability and pencil in a booking, but it important these are brought to my attention and confirmed.

Payment for the Guest Suite by Chantry Gardeners Homeowners is by credit card ringing the McCarthy Stone payment line on 01202 362444. Brigg Court Homeowners can pay the same way, or they may choose to pay by direct debit if they have a completed direct debit mandate. Finally, you are also entitled to book a Guest Suite in any of the McCarthy Stone 400+ run sites around the country. There is a complete list of our developments with contact emails in the communal lounge.

I will not be on site on the Christmas Bank Holidays, namely Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Dec, Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Dec and Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan. I am also on annual leave 6<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> January, but Christine Parkinson will be covering for me onsite Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Jan, Tues 11<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> Jan.

Warm seasons greetings to you all. I sincerely hope you have a Happy Christmas and Joyful New Year!



**William Stuart**  
House Manager

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The Window Cleaners will next be on site on **Wednesday 1st December**. Please close your windows on this day. Homeowners who live in apartments on the first floor in Brigg Court can expect a knock on the door as the window cleaning contract includes cleaning the outside of the patio and inside of the balcony which can only be done from inside apartments. If prefer not to be disturbed, please let the House manager William know in advance.

Event	Date	Time	Information
<b>Dressing the Christmas Tree</b>	<b>Wednesday 1st December</b>	<b>2pm</b>	<b>Communal Lounge: Baileys and Mince Pies</b>
<b>Beetle Drive</b>	<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>2pm</b>	<b>Bring something firm to write on</b>
<b>Bingo Night</b>	<b>Tuesday 7th December</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Sign up on the notice board. 50p per game</b>
<b>Christmas Lunch</b>	<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>1pm</b>	<b>White Lodge £20 3 courses Sign up on the Notice Board</b>
<b>Sales Christmas Party</b>	<b>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>TBC</b>	<b>Communal Lounge: More details to Follow</b>
<b>Strictly Come Dancing Final</b>	<b>Saturday 18th December</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Buffett Bring and Share</b>
<b>Christmas Day Gathering</b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>	<b>11am</b>	<b>Communal Lounge: Please sign up on Notice Board</b>
<b>New Year's Eve Party</b>	<b>New Year's Eve</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Communal Lounge: Please sign up on Notice Board</b>

Monday	11.00am	Coffee
<b>Monday</b>	<b>2.30pm</b>	<b>Crochet with Ruth</b>
Tuesday	11.00am	Coffee
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Armchair Keep Fit (approx. 25 Minutes)</b>
Wednesday	11.00am	Coffee
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Coffee: House Manager Drop In</b>
Thursday	7.00pm	Film Night: Details on Notice Board
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2-3pm</b>	<b>Techno Drop In</b>
Saturday	7.00pm	Saturday Night Telly: Strictly Come Dancing
Sunday	11.00am	Coffee

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## Correction to last month's edition

JC has apologised to Annie for getting her phone number wrong. Just a typo. See corrected info below:

**LINE DANCING** - Annie would like to start a Line Dancing class, anyone interested call Annie on:

**07494 053144**

or contact her at No 10 Chantry Gardens. It's the same contact number should you wish to join the **WhatsApp** group.

**6 December (Monday) 7pm** Sue is doing a Bingo Session. Tickets will be 50p each and all money will be paid back to winners. A list will go up on the notice board, please add your name as a low take up would not make it viable. A fun evening, no brain power required as you just tick off the numbers.

**JIGSAWS** Sue at Bungalow 15 has a large selection of jigsaw puzzles if anyone would like to borrow one to do in their own home. They are all 500 pieces.

**NEW YEARS EVE** the residents will be organising a get together to see the old year out in the residents lounge. Dress optional but smart casual would be appreciated. Bring your own drinks and a faith supper (everyone to bring a little something to share). Another list will be on the notice board to ensure contributions are well spread. i.e. we don't end up with 300 sausage rolls.

## WHATS ON

3 December 7.30pm Filey Literature Festival "Snow on the Wolds" Tickets £10  
The Star Mitford Street

4 December 10am – 1pm Filey Southdene Bowling Club Christmas Fayre at the the Evron Centre Admission £1 include refreshments

4 December 6pm Filey Fishtive Tree Switch on Cobble Landing

19 December 3pm Carol Service St Oswald's

24 December 4.30pm The Crib Service St Oswald's

24 December 11pm Midnight Communion St Oswald's

## Bungalows and apartments

Only 12 apartments yet to be sold. Another successful sales event on 17 November. The Champagne and Canapes greatly enjoyed by everyone and a number stayed well into the evening. Help is always on hand to help those who over indulged back to their abode. Only one person needed a doctor's appointment the following day and is still recovering. The Champagne was enjoyed so much that we went searching in the bins to check on the label to order more. Having failed, William came with the right equipment and retrieved a bottle. It was Sainsburys Demi Sec Champagne.

## BILLS

**EON** William has been trying to get to grips with Eon on our behalf which is greatly appreciated. Some of us in the bungalows have two electricity readings but haven't quite fathomed what these relate to yet. The Eon Telephone Number is 0345 052 0000.

## Useful Information

**Handyman Wayne (WB Services)** has done a lot of work in apartments and bungalows 07774 913191  
[wbservices2018@gmail.com](mailto:wbservices2018@gmail.com).

**Lazer Radio Taxis**  
**Filey 01723 515515**  
**Scarborough 01723 333333**

Usually charge £4 to White Lodge. No service on Christmas Day

## Dial a Ride

This has been advertised by This is the Coast Bridlington Radio. Small bus, Tel 01723 354434 See website for area covered and prices.  
<http://www.scarboroughdialaride.org>

## Carpet Cleaning -

Simon and the firm is Carpet Magic. His contact numbers are 01723 563307 and 07795233752.

## TV aerial and satellite

**Specialist** – Lee Adams  
0780 4469734.

## Trouble with your feet?

– Angela recommends Michele Crawford  
07904715635

and a new one  
Helen 07736 126726

**Council Tax** – Most of us have now received the Council Tax Schedule and Valuation Band. If you want to move things along more quickly call in at the Council Offices in Scarborough.

## Doctor Appointments

I am sure most of us have had a long wait trying to get through to Filey Surgery and failed to get an appointment and been told to try again 8am the next day. Klinik is an app on the surgery website. Fill in your details and description of your ailment, you will get an acknowledgment asking you when you are NOT available for the next few days. A doctor will give you a call and if necessary arrange an appointment. But, they only try to ring you twice if you fail to answer you start all over again. Tried it and got an appointment the day after. It beats trying over and over again at 8am.



**Trips in Filey** Just another gentle reminder that you don't have to travel to Scarborough to end up in A & E if you stroll down Ravine Drive and turn right please watch for trip hazards. Now you would think that the world war mine was too big to trip over but it was the plinth that got the unsuspecting victim. Fortunately, an off duty nurse was passing and gave assistance then two police officers took control and phoned the ambulance. Broken wrist and looking like 2 bouts in a boxing ring resulted in a six hour wait in hospital. We wish all our trippers a swift recovery.

## Wildlife



Sightings in October/November mainly by Guy and Jane

4 Roe deer, Redshank, Rock Pipet, Hedgehog, Hare, Fox, Great Crested Grebe (fishing in the sea), Pheasant by Keith at No. 12, 11 Goldfinches, Purple Sandpipers, 3 Turnstones, Knot, Woodcock, several Pheasants near wildlife area, Curlew. Guy is our resident bird watcher and sightings are verified by a RSPB officer. Guy did have to pretend the dog wasn't with him when Loulou got into the wildlife area and had the pheasants fluttering loudly as they always do in all directions. Snow Buntings been seen this week.

43 Oystercatchers spotted by Guy and Jane. Can you beat that? Common on, out on a walk, nothing else to do? Tawny owls heard regularly on site but not yet seen. We don't know whether there is a good supply of rodents or whether they are just calling for a mate.



**Halloween** 31 October late at night Peter at Number 8 bungalow witnessed a spooky swirling apparition outside the lounge window, was it the Chantry Gardens ghost out on the town for Halloween instead of walking the corridors of Brigg Court? As dawn broke it was soon established it was due to a bin been blown over and newspaper was caught in a vortex circling in front of his window. We understand Peter soon recovered from his ordeal.

## Flood Defences



We have all been keeping an eye on the flood defences above our site. Large pools do accumulate but this means that the work done is holding back the water and will soon attract a number of wild fowl for winter provided they can drag themselves away from Filey Dams. Filey Dams facebook page records lots of birds visiting with good photographs. The white Egret is a favourite and a Spoonbill dropped in during summer.

This photo taken 4 November and a few of us have reported back to William who has promptly notified MS Management.

A couple of residents have had trouble with water but work has been done and is being monitored. Water travelling underground is reappearing at the dropped kerb just above

number 7 bungalow crossing the road and forming a big puddle around Angela's car. Angela hasn't had to resort to a snorkel and flippers yet but when we get freezing weather crampons and ice skates may be needed. We were thinking of renaming our part of the site Chantry Ford.

The sighting of McCarthy Stone construction team on Friday 12 November means a rethink on the water problem running down to Angela's car. William says that further investigative work will be done to see if the drainage needs further work.



Mary and Mary on duty in Tesco – British Legion poppy selling

Mary W very kindly knitted a number of red poppies and handed them out free of charge to residents. Of course, you are all generous and any money received was handed over to British Legion.

Many thanks for your donations.

Stop Press – McCarthy Stone advertising at their premises in Devizes, in December, an expert mixologist will demonstrate how to create stunning seasonal cocktails. I wonder if we could get William and Daniel trained up in time for Christmas to put on a similar event? But there again could it be the start of us all becoming alcoholics?

## Milk Delivery

Following the Climate Change Conference Denise is leading the way at Chantry Gardens with view to cutting down on waste, in particular, plastic. Luke at St Quintins Fresh Deliveries delivers bottled milk direct to doorstep on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in Filey. 70p glass pints, 1 litre £1.05, 2 litre £1.85, 6 eggs £1.30, glass orange £1.30. Bread (sunbake) and thick brown £1.40. Yogurts, cream, eggs, cheese, rice pudding, boozy custard, scones and teacakes.

Contact Luke 07738 334346 /01262 490444 [st.quintinsfreshdeliveries@hotmail.com](mailto:st.quintinsfreshdeliveries@hotmail.com) Deliveries are at 2am to 5am



**We wish everyone a Happy Christmas. 2021 has been an adventure for everyone at Chantry Gardens and Brigg Court. It's been another exceptional year dealing with Covid, something we have never had to deal with before. Packing up our personal possessions and deciding what we can or can't squeeze in to our new abode has been a dilemma but we all realise we have moved to a lovely place. We can walk, or easily ride into town, make new friends, try new interests and being able to see the sea every day lifts our spirits. We have had lots of sunshine and laughs and may it continue. Wishing you all a Healthy New Year.**

# WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE

1. **Name, Age, Place of Birth**

Camilla Tite, 29, Scarborough

2. **What is your proudest accomplishment**

A few years ago, I made 100 operation Christmas child shoe boxes, also shopping for McCarthy and Stone homeowners over three sites in Scarborough every week throughout lockdown.

3. **If you could live anywhere, where would it be?**

I would have a cottage in Cornwall in the middle of nowhere.

4. **What makes you laugh the most?**

Probably my partner Samuel... but Dan Thomas is a close second (we laugh every day at work often uncontrollably).

5. **What would you sing at Karaoke night**

I actually did karaoke for the first-time last weekend and sang (dreadfully) "No One" by Alicia Keys.

6. **Who would you want to be stranded with on a deserted island?**

My Dad. Not only is he funny and my favourite person but he knows EVERYTHING. He would get us back home safe and sound.

7. **If you could go back in time, what year would you travel to?**

I would go back to 1709 so that I could see my holiday home being built and the family that lived there. I love reading about the history behind a building.

8. **What's the most daring thing you've ever done?**

I think the only time I've been worried was travelling to New Zealand alone, I'm not very good at changing trains never mind planes!

9. **What do you do to keep fit?**

I am far from "fit", but I really enjoy walking, every Sunday I enjoy a 6 mile walk around Scarborough.

10. **Are you related or distantly related to anyone famous?**

Joanne Jackson and Nicola Jackson are my cousins, and both swam in the Olympics. I also had drinks with Nicola Sturgeons cousin a few weeks ago... and finally but most importantly Samuels family own Thomas the Baker.

11. **What is your favourite book to read?**

I only have time to read when I'm on holiday, I am happiest when I have a crime thriller in one hand and a cocktail in the other.

12. **What's the most unusual thing you've ever eaten?**

Whilst swimming in New Zealand on New Years day a man had just caught a red snapper and asked me to try it, he sliced a thin piece off, told me to give it a quick wash in the sea and told me I will never eat a fresher piece of fish. After A LOT of persuasion from my brother-in-law I ate it... Never Ever Again!

**Newsletter – a joint effort with McCarthy Stone, William Stuart (manager), Mary Kenworthy, John & Margaret Clarke. Website maintained by John Clarke. <https://www.chantrygardens.org.uk> We are always looking for interesting features so see John at [johncl.clarke@btinternet.com](mailto:johncl.clarke@btinternet.com) Bungalow 14 or Mary at Bungalow 3 [mkptkenworthy@gmail.com](mailto:mkptkenworthy@gmail.com)**