

A NEW LIFE BY THE SEA



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Issue 3

The weather has been changeable in July, hot days and April showers. The weeds have sprung up and the gardeners are struggling to keep up but Tony is having a meeting with them on 21 July and will report back.



The dominant weeds are Fat Hen and Fiddleneck. Fat-hen is a native summer annual found on cultivated land and waste places and is one of the most troublesome annual weeds. It was eaten as a vegetable from Neolithic times until the 16th century when it was replaced in the diet by spinach and cabbage. See the following website for cooking ideas. <https://www.wildfooduk.com/edible-wild-plants/fat-hen/>

The Forever Green Team cleared weeds on the roadside of the cattle fence and in front of bungalows 1 and 2, side of bungalow 8 and in front of bungalows 11 and 12 on 3 July.



Left to right Margaret (No. 14), Brian (No. 5), Mary K (No. 3), Annie (No. 10), Mary W (No. 5), John (No. 14), Jane (No. 19), Liz (No. 12), Jack (No. 12), Denise (No. 8) and Sue (No. 15).

Week commencing 5 July further weed clearance has been done by Ruth and Ernie on the bed in front of No. 21, Jane has done the beds left and right of the substation, Denise and Mary weeded around the 2 benches above No. 7 and Sue has done some tidying near No. 16. Just to let you know it has been greatly appreciated by MS management and a great improvement.

NB We know that some residents are unable to join TFGT but your encouragement and words of thanks are all that are needed. And providing refreshments of course!

Eon – still waiting for the first bill. John has been in touch with Eon by phone and promised a welcome pack.

Tunstall – Filey Police paid a visit to bungalow 3 on 2 July. Tunstall reported alarm activity in number 3 and 6. It was soon established that these were in the apartment block. It is thought that a new resident or visitor had triggered the alarm. As of 8 July – the alarm triggers are as follows: Fire Brigade 1, Police 1 and Tunstall threatening to call fire brigade 1 (unless there are others we haven't heard about) and 2 calls because of going out of front door and returning through the rear door.

EVCPs (Electric Vehicle Charging Point) – successfully installed to most properties in June 2021.

Events and places to go in the area:

Date for your Diaries!

On the 22nd July 2021 McCarthy Stone will be holding a coffee morning in the lounge at Brigg Court. The timings and full details will follow but you are all invited.

The Customer Services Team will be on hand to answer questions as will Tony Hodge (Area Manager) and William Stuart

Irton Garden Centre,
Irton Moor Ln, Scarborough YO12 4RW

Castle Howard Events – Buy tickets on line

Friday 20th August - [Cafe Mambo Ibiza](#)

Starts 5pm

Saturday 21st August - [Castle Howard Proms](#)

Starts 6.30pm

Sunday 22nd August - [Queen Symphonic](#)

Starts 5pm

Filey Bandstand Sundays 2pm-4pm
(If weather inclement they will be held in the Methodist Church, Union St. PLEASE NOTE – DUE TO COVID GUIDANCE BAND CONCERTS WILL NOT START UNTIL 25 JULY)

- 25 July Malton Silver Band
- 1 August Shepherd Group Concert Band
- 8 August Stape Silver Band
- 15 August Easingwold Town Band
- 22 August Hunmanby Silver Band
- 29 August Woodhouse Prize Band
- 5 September Swinton and District Band

Handy Phone numbers

Recommended by Jane and Guy
dishwasher installation.
Ollie (Electrician) 0771 317 5472
Danny Kitchen (Plumber and gas safety engineer) 07702 224606

Local Handyman – Bob Clarkson
Tel 075885 83671

TV aerial and satellite Specialist – Lee Adams
0780 4469734.
Chiropodist and Podiatrist Filey Foot Clinic 6
Belle Vue Street, Filey 01723 671268



William Stuart
House Manager

First of all I must begin by thanking you all for the very warm welcome I have received as the new house manager of Chantry gardens and Brigg Court. It is a beautiful development, in a wonderful seaside town, in the best county in England (apologies to those of you not from Yorkshire!). We certainly are well blessed.

I would like to remind you of the McCarthy and Stone warranty on new properties, that is two years on any defect whatsoever and this includes appliances. If you have any defect, please bring it to my attention and I will log the call with our customer services team. I have several years previous experience of working for McCarthy and Stone and I have always been incredibly impressed by Lorraine and her team. They are literally contortionists that will do all they can to get things right, as quick as they possibly can.

After the initial warm greeting's, I have quickly become aware of some areas Homeowners wished to bring to my attention. I can sum this up in one word, Gardens and weeds – (oh heck that's three words). I am fully aware that our gardeners need to get on top of the borders and once there, need to stay on top of them. I would ask for your patience for a further two weeks while I get things organised and, in that time, I expect you to see a major improvement. As I said to a homeowner the other day, "if they are not better within a month you can chase me off the site with a pitchfork".

However, in the meantime I wish to give my sincere thanks to those homeowners who have done some weeding, it has made a real difference. I am aware that you should not have to do this and that all grounds maintenance is included in the service charge. In terms of gardening in the communal areas you should do as much, or as little (or none) as you wish. Very soon I hope that the grounds will be sufficiently well kept that you will not feel obliged to do any, except that wish you choose to do for enjoyment.

As I finish this the sun is streaming through my window. I trust you all are looking forward to a summer without restrictions on the beautiful Filey coast. Thanks again for a very warm welcome.

Regards

William

Angela recommends Filey Opticians and also The All Seasons Greengrocer who delivers
See pages 22 & 23 of the McCarthy Stone Guide Book for info on Optician, Dentist, Doctor, etc

WANTED

THE FILEY PARISH CHURCH HANDBELL RINGERS at St John's community Church Hall, West Avenue are wanting new members. Their session is 1.30pm to 3.30pm on Thursdays. The ability to read music isn't essential as they work on colours. This sounds good fun, its hand bells not pulling on long ropes. Everyone welcome. If you are colour blind you could add a bit of confusion to the proceedings. Further information ring Mrs Pat Meek 01723 515029 or Mrs Oriel Wing 01723 513587.

Wildlife sightings on site

Fox has a regular route and the Hare pays regular visits

Mullein Moth Caterpillars have stripped the Verbascum at number 3. They only like Verbascum so don't worry they will attack your plants. There were 10 of them munching away but one was seen escaping to Bungalow No. 4. We need to find some voracious eaters for the Fat Hen and Fiddleneck weeds.



If you have Lilies you need to check for the Red Lily Beetle. They just appear from nowhere.



Daniel and Camilla preparing for last month's successful sales pitch and hosting the residents social gathering. Thank you for the refreshments.

Bungalows and apartments still available

4 Chantry Gardens. Apartments are still available. Moving in w/c 12 July. A further 3 apartments will be occupied and on Tuesday 13th bungalow No. 6. (Obviously not superstitious)

Website – <https://www.chantrygardens.org.uk/> John will require news, titbits of information, photos. We will still do a newsletter for the time being to keep us up to date with things.

We have agreed that future newsletters will include a column from McCarthy Stone, namely William.

More photos from John and Margaret. You can see the difficulties the builders were working under.



LATEST – CHRISTMAS DAY 3 of us have reserved places at the White Lodge for Christmas Day Lunch. Further details to follow. It could be £90 for 6 courses but the hotel hasn't finalised things yet.

CROCHET – Ruth at No. 21 has offered Crochet lessons. Pop along to see Ruth and see if you can get a session organised.

WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE

1. Name, Age, Place of Birth

Jack (John George) Chambers, 88, "Concrete" Cottages, Brampton Bierlow, Wombwell, Barnsley, number 6 of a baker's dozen - 8 sisters, 4 brothers!

2. What is your proudest accomplishment?

Being married to Eva for 66 years, Daughter, Tine
Receiving the LSGC (Long Service Good Conduct) Medal from Her Majesty Queen Mother.

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

After Yorkshire, Berlin, where I married Eva and served two tours with the army

4. What makes you laugh the most?

Good old-fashioned jokes and Peter at number 8!

5. What would you sing at Karaoke night?

I am not a good singer, but join in after a drink or two! Used to sing regimental, Josef Locke, Irish and Scottish songs, very loud and out of tune!

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

All my good neighbours to hunt and gather fish!

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

1952, First time abroad "Bad Oeynhausen" West Germany

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

Clamber down a scramble net from a ship to a landing-craft Port Said 1956. I am proud to say I got the GSM (near east) medal after the operation

9. What do you do to keep fit?

On waking, 15-20 minutes mobility exercise short to medium length, walking, gardening and housework.

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

No, but cooked for Princess Alexandre, the Queen Mother and Viscount Monckton of Brenchley to name but a few.

.....more on Jacks interesting life on the Website, <https://www.chantrygardens.org.uk/>