

A NEW LIFE BY THE SEA

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McCARTHY STONE
Life, well lived



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Issue 7

Dear Homeowners

In this month's edition I would like to bring your attention again, if I may, to the Social programme at Chantry Gardens / Brigg Court. We have had a good start in October and to remind you of what's on offer you will find an updated weekly list of events printed overleaf.

As we look forward, it may be helpful to point out a few events; On **Monday 15th November at 6pm in the Communal lounge we are having our first quiz night**. If you like Quizzes or just good company, please come along and take part. The quizmaster is Beverley, (the daughter of a Homeowner) who has kindly offered to chair and pose the questions. It's very generous of her and it would be great if we show our support by giving this event an excellent turnout.

We have yet to get a games event off the ground, so I am proposing that we add a weekly **Games Night & Café to take place on Tuesdays at 6.00pm from the 9th November onwards**. If you enjoy a game of cards or a board game that involves two or more players, then please come. I have been advised not to buy games as many Homeowners have told me they have enough trusted favourites already. If you would like to support this event, please bring along a game in the afternoon or on the evening itself and join in the fun.

We had a successful impromptu Buffet get together Friday last in the communal lounge. It's my fault, I had signed up to a Morrison's free trial for outside catering, but the food came with little advance warning and with extra food items I brought (because I wasn't sure how far it would go), the meal went a very long way, allowing me to invite and knock on every property in the development, with still plenty to spare! Don't worry if you missed out this time as we will certainly be using this service again in the future. On reflection, given the size of our lounge and furniture design, a buffet is probably far more sensible than fish and chips for large gatherings.

Finally, you will see below a Christmas Lunch Menu for the White Lodge in Filey. It is normally £25 per head but I have had the go ahead to pay £5 deposit on behalf of every Homeowner who would like to go, making it £20 for a three-course meal. The date is **Friday 10th December at 1.00pm**. As the White Lodge is quite near, I thought we could make our own travel arrangements (i.e., Taxi, Bus, Walk, Car Share). **If you would like to come, all you need to do is sign up on the notice displayed in the buggy room at Brigg Court by Thursday 4th November** and select your meal choices. The balance of £20 to be paid be to me by 30th November. Thank you.

Finally, if you would like something closer to home why not come and dress the Christmas tree on **Wednesday 1st December at 2pm**. We'll have Mince Pies, Irish Coffee, tinsel and baubles to get the festive season going.



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Events in Brigg Court Communal Lounge

Weekly

Monday	11.00am	Coffee
Monday	2.30pm	Recommencing 1 November Crochet with Ruth

Tuesday	11.00am	Coffee
Tuesday	6.00pm	Games Night & Café (from 9 th November onwards)

Wednesday	10.00am	Armchair Keep Fit (approx. 25 Minutes)
Wednesday	11.00am	Coffee

Thursday	11.00am	Coffee: House Manager Drop In
Thursday	7.00pm	Film Night: Details on Notice Board

Friday	2-3pm	Techno Drop In
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Saturday	7.00pm	Saturday Night Telly: Strictly Come Dancing
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Sunday	11.00am	Coffee
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Monthly

First Tuesday	2.00pm	2 nd November Beetle Drive / Games
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15 November	6pm	Quiz Night: See Notice Board for More Details
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Details to Follow	6.30pm	Buffet Supper: See Notice Board for More Details
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Occasionally

Theatre trips, Concerts and Meals out are being investigated. Once arranged, the details will be advertised on the Notice Board in the Buggy Store.

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EVENTS

Brigg Court / Chantry Gardens Christmas Lunch

Three Course Meal at the White Lodge for £20

(Normally £25 but £5 deposit will be paid by McCarthy and Stone)

Friday 10th December 1pm*

*Date and time may need to change but hopefully not

Please sign up on the sheet in the scooter room by Thursday 4th November

Starter	Main	Pudding
Parsnip Soup salmon Spring Roll Beetroot & Feta	Roast Turkey Braised Brisket Baked Hake Mushroom & Leek Pie	Christmas Pudding Tiramisu Chocolate Torte 3 Cheese

REMEMBRANCE – Thursday 11 November 10.45 – short ceremony in the Filey Memorial Gardens
Friday 12 November 7pm 100th Anniversary of The British Legion. An evening of music at Filey Methodist Church. Tickets £7 from the Post Office in the Evron Centre.
Sunday 14th November 9.30am Service at St Oswald's Church. 9.30am service then Parade to Memorial Gardens. Short Service is followed by 2 minutes silence and the placing of wreaths in memory of the fallen.

FILEY LADIES MONDAY CLUB - meeting once a month at the moment. Next meeting 1st November 7.30pm Methodist Church Hall. 6 December (Christmas Party). Tel: Brenda 518280 or Judy 512510

CHRISTMAS PARTIES AT THE WHITE LODGE - See the leaflet on the notice board for dates and prices.

FRIENDS OF FILEY PARKS – Meet once a month to carry out tidying. Next work session 3 November 11am meet at Nuns Walk, Contact Catherine 01723 516602

U3A <https://u3asites.org.uk/filey/> for activities. See also the schedule on the notice board

LINE DANCING - Annie would like to start a Line Dancing class, anyone interested call Annie on 0794 053144 or contact her at No 10 Chantry Gardens.

WHATSAPP GROUP There is a "WhatsApp" group "Chantry & Brigg Community" contact Annie (Bungalow No. 10) or 0794 053144 for details.

TAI CHI update from last month

- TAI CHI CH'UAN** – Taught by Wendy at the Evron Centre on Monday afternoons. It is a beautiful set of gentle flowing movements to develop and exercise your mind, body and spirit. Wendy has vacancies Phone 0791 0897 643. Sorry but she is unable to come to Chantry Gardens due to other classes she takes.
- TAI CHI QIGONG** – Jan has moved into bungalow 18, when she has settled in, she is willing to show us this form of Tai Chi. So later in November a notice will go on the notice board. If you emailed me indicating an interest, I will pass my list on to Jan and things will go from there.

TFGT - The Forever Green Team (resident 'gardeners') We removed the weeds from the pavement side of the fence in front of Brigg Court and Chantry Gardens and Dave got scratched and pricked removing the brambles coming through the fence from the adjacent estate. You may have noticed the landscapers doing further planting last week. Gardens looking very neat and tidy.

Bungalows and apartments

All the bungalows are sold and occupied. Number 7 is a second home so we only saw them months ago when they collected the key.

11 Apartments are occupied and 5 more moving/moved in this week.

BILLS

EON If you have got patience and lots of spare time the Eon Telephone Number is 0345 052 0000. Some of us who moved in March are still waiting for a bill.

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.

Service Charge – The service charge invoices have now started coming through, if you have a direct debit set up the charge will be taken on the date shown and monthly thereafter as per the schedule.

Winter Fuel Allowance - You should have received notification of your allowance, don't worry if you don't it should be paid into your bank account in the next few weeks.

Born between 27 September 1941 and 26 September 1955 £200

Born on or before 26 September 1941 £300

See www.gov.uk/winter-fuel-payment for further details

Handy Phone numbers

Lazer Radio Taxis Filey 01723 515515 Scarborough 01723 333333

Usually charge £4 to White Lodge

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

Eating out

Angela recommends The Bull Inn (400 year old hostelry) 26 Main St, Gristhorpe, Filey YO14 9PP

The Stained Glass Centre, 3 Killerby Ln, Cayton, Scarborough YO11 3TP Open 10am to 5pm daily. Booking for café recommended 01723 581236 <https://www.stainedglasscentre.co.uk/>

Tunstall Alarm System

The fire brigade has again made a few visits due to false alarms. Should we invite them to the Christmas lunch?

Scarborough Trips – just a gentle reminder to take care when strolling around Scarborough. Our residents are putting strain on the NHS by falling on visits to Scarborough. Two with shoulder injuries, one with gash on head and one with bruised limbs.

Extreme Sports – Table Tennis now falls under this category. Enthusiastic lunge for the passing ball led to crashing into the table and ending up on the floor with damaged knee. Nothing broken but Haematoma going away slowly. U3A Table Tennis at St John's Church Hall Wednesdays and Fridays.

111 and hospital visits

- If you feel the need to phone 111, depending on the time of day, allow up to 45 minutes for them to answer.
- If they send you to hospital you need to be there within an hour of them speaking to you and will give you a time. This doesn't mean you have an appointment you MAY have to wait like everyone else..
- At Scarborough Hospital check in at reception. I don't think that the 111 service is linked to Scarborough because on two occasions I wasn't on the list. Receptionist said "I will add you to the list".

- When you take your place in the waiting area, memorise all the people who are there already. Make a mental note of anyone arriving after you.
- When someone who arrived after you has been called, immediately go to reception and ask whether you are still on the list, when the receptionist continues to stare at the screen for at least 5 minutes and then disappears to talk to someone, it means you still haven't hit the list. They will tell you they have transferred you to another list, so all that memorising goes by the board because you have to start all over again. I have sent an email to York Hospitals to ask them to check the 111 link.

Scarborough Hospital Urgent Treatment Centre open 24/7
 Bridlington Urgent Treatment Centre open from 7am till 11pm
 Taxi from Scarborough Hospital to Chantry Gardens £15.60
 Taxi from Scarborough Railway Station £15
 Bus – Filey to Scarborough Railway station then No. 10 bus to Scarborough Hospital. The bus stop at the hospital is near the main entrance.

Wildlife

Guy and Jane report:

Wounded Guillemot on the lawn outside Brigg Court
 This week a hare sat on the road in front of No. 19 then hopped off towards the camp site.
 Many dolphins seen in Filey Bay, there may have been a whale but it could be a very large dolphin.
 A man told Guy that because of shellfish being illegally taken from the bay the Guillemots are starving.
 There is a sign up at the Country Park warning against illegal fishing in both English & Chinese. If you go on the beach, you rarely see small crabs now, not sure if it's the time of year or a result of over fishing, such a shame.

20 October Whimbrel – very rare in these parts and probably just passing through. Similar to Curlew but Guy knows his birds.

19 October a small deer on the Brigg and 10 Oyster Catchers

A number of people suspected of gathering shellfish illegally have been stopped during an operation along a stretch of the Yorkshire coast.

Investigators from the Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority (GLAA) carried out a four-day investigation in Filey and Redcar earlier this month. They were looking for unsafe working practices and potential gangmaster offences, the GLAA said. Several people were spoken to and one interviewed under caution, it added.

The investigators were checking for people controlling workers without a GLAA licence on a coast with unpredictable tides, hazardous rock pools and exposed cliffs, it said.

If you want to brush up on your Chinese – here is the poster up on the Brigg →

PETS - Here is an extract from the recent email from McCarthy Stone “Pets are part of your family – and ours! And research shows that pet ownership makes people happier and healthier. Which is why, with a few exceptions – like venomous snakes (!) - we welcome well-behaved animals into our retirement developments!”

As reported in last month's issue the King Cobra and the five Alsatians have been rehomed and are happy. Roz reported that the mouse which had sprinted across my patio a few weeks was found drowned. (How do we know it is the same mouse – well – we have only ever seen one)

Rumour has it that Joy is looking after Pepe the parrot in the new year so maybe we can teach it a few new choice words. If you are fond of caged birds there is a small aviary containing budgies and finches in the memorial garden just off the main street.

Website – <https://www.chantrygardens.org.uk/> We still do a print copy because some residents are not computerised. If you do not wish to receive a newsletter please let William know. News items, wildlife sightings and recommendations please send to John at johncl.clarke@btinternet.com or No. 14 Bungalow.

Farewell to a true gentleman

It is with great sadness that we said goodbye to Ernie Padfield, who with his wife Ruth was one of the first residents of the bungalows.

Ernie, aged 88, was taken to Scarborough Hospital after a fall and passed away on September 27th. Although we knew Ernie for only a few months, we all warmed to his ready smile and caring nature.

Ernie and Ruth had been married for more than 66 years. They were teenage sweethearts who met at the Gospel Hall in Bristol. They married at the same hall on Ernie's 22nd birthday, after he had completed his National Service.

They have three children, Julie, Philip and Stephen, seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren. The family was central to Ernie's life, alongside his strong Christian faith, which supported him to the end, when he told Ruth he was “going to Glory”.

Ernie worked as a chemist at Bristol University before deciding on a career change at the age of 30. He trained to become a teacher and taught building science at colleges in Bristol, Salisbury and Bath, where he was popular with both students and colleagues.

He was a keen DIY enthusiast and gardener. That comes as no surprise to those of us who saw him working tirelessly getting the bungalow and garden just right. His tip of mixing egg shells, cardboard and banana skins into the clay soil to soften it was a masterstroke. However, Ruth was rather dubious when he decided that, instead of buying a new table, he would saw the old one in half to make it smaller. He did, and it worked a treat! As one of his sons said: “If Dad's got a penknife he can do anything”.

After he retired, Ernie and Ruth moved to Haxby, York, to be near their son Stephen. Nine years later they moved to Pembroke, where their daughter Julie lived. Earlier this year, they made the move back to Yorkshire, to 21 Chantry Gardens. Ernie spent many hours in the garden and his beloved shed, resisting Ruth's entreaties to come in and sit down after tea.

He was also a bit of daredevil and once paraglided behind a speedboat in Cyprus. Ruth recalls it was rather windy but that didn't deter him.

He and Ruth were regular attenders of St Oswald's Church, Filey, and the vicar, the Rev Nigel Chapman, conducted his funeral service.

God bless Ernie, a true gentleman.



Family man: Ernie and Ruth with their sons, Philip and Stephen, and daughter Julie.