

Norwood Green News

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*With best wishes to all for a Happy
Christmas and with hopes for a
bright New Year*



Chair Report

Hopefully, this newsletter finds you well and with better news on the National and Local Restrictions.

The Better Place Trust is moving forward at pace. We held a zoom meeting in November and have progress in quite a few areas.

We are very hopeful of having an operational bank account in the coming weeks. We are then in a position of taking donations from those Residents who have already pledged their support to specific and overall project management. It also gives us license to approach other funding bodies.

Quickly on those projects; discussions have taken place with the Police and Crimes Commissioner. They are keen to discuss and support the methods of traffic calming presented at the Open Events from earlier in the year.

Unfortunately, we will not have Christmas lights this year, the uncertainty left many companies with furloughed staff and unable to commit to a good level of products. We are confident we will be able to have some appropriate Christmas lighting/decorations up next year; this obviously depends on the funds available.

The committee is keen to streamline and offer better methods of communication within e-mail/website and Social Media functionality. We are fortunate that a kind Resident has offered their expertise and support in this area with updates to follow.

Finally, we now have a bespoke e-mail Database which enables us to better correspond by e-mail. We currently have over 100 e-mail addresses, but we would love to be able to reach out to you all. Going forward we will have more information and updates to give you, the best way of supplying the information is via e-mail. Details on how you can add yourself to the database is provided below. The database and e-mail facility is fully GDPR compliant.

Link to register yourself for the Norwood Green e-mail Database:

www.norwoodgreen.org/register

Please note old e-mail address is now defunct, the new e-mail address is

betterplacetolive@norwoodgreen.org

Finally, I hope you can all have the very best Christmas and New Year you all can; 2021 surely can't be any worse.

All the very best to you and your loved ones

Jonathan Dent.

Keeping abreast of Village News and Events

If you wish to bring any matters to our attention, you can do so by attending the Village Meetings or e-mailing us at our NEW e-mail address

betterplacetolive@norwoodgreen.org

If you wish to be added our new e-mail database address, please supply your information at www.norwoodgreen.org/register

You can keep up to date with Village News using Facebook or the web.

Follow us on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/Norwood-Green-912298968856842/>

Or visit the website at

www.norwoodgreen.org

The Charitable Trust

I am aware that we have not been able to give much in the way of social activity during this time of closure of the Village Hall but are well aware of the need to keep it in readiness for opening at any time. The management committee are keeping watch over the building to make sure we safeguard users and hope to be able to welcome you all back soon. We cannot promise our usual Christmas Fair but will do something, however low key, if possible.

Carole Dent
Chair of Management Committee

NGVHCT/NGRA Position re 2020 AGM

The AGMs are due to be held on January 5th and will still go ahead if allowed under the government guidelines at the time. If it is not possible to do this, the Trustees can decide to cancel or postpone the meeting. Please check for information via the usual contact points, village email, notice boards etc. If you have any comments or queries about the AGMS or would like to join the committee please contact either Carole Dent on 01274 602282 or Jonathan Dent at:- betterplacetolive@norwoodgreen.org

Remembrance Day Service

As we are unable to meet in large numbers at present the usual service could sadly not be held. However, Jonathan and the Reverend Canon James Allison together conducted a Remembrance service at the village cenotaph this year on behalf of the village. This was recorded and available for residents to watch at 11.00 on Remembrance Sunday. We give them our thanks for arranging to hold the service this year.



Apple and Chilli Jelly

Delicious with cooked meats, cheese, or really anything you fancy.

1. 2 Kgs apples
2. Approx 2 Kgs granulated sugar
3. Chillies. Use amount and variety to taste; seeded and finely chopped

Wash and roughly chop the apples, peel, core, pips and all
Put into a large pan and cover with water; bring to the boil and cook until mushy. Strain through a jelly bag, DO NOT SQUEEZE OR PRESS THE PULP

Measure the juice and return to the pan with the same volume of sugar
Bring back gently to the boil until the sugar is completely dissolved
Simmer pretty vigorously for about 30-40 minutes until it reaches setting point
Stir in the chopped chillies and reboil for a couple of minutes
Ladle into sterilised jars and lid tightly

Thanks to Norma Collins



Christmas Quiz



1. In "The Twelve days of Christmas" song how many ladies dancing are there?
2. At which well-known British university is Christ Church College?
3. What is the name of the snowman in the film Frozen?
4. Which Shakespeare play takes its title from a traditional Christmas holiday?
5. In which country is Lapland?
6. Who wrote the score for The Nutcracker ballet?
7. Which is the bestselling Christmas song ever recorded?
8. Who traditionally received presents on Boxing Day?
9. What was 'Lamb's Wool' a traditional seasonal drink for farm labourers?
10. In which language does "god Jul" mean Happy Christmas?

Perhaps one of the most unorthodox Christmas Eve traditions can be found in Norway, where people hide their brooms. It's a tradition that dates back centuries to when people believed that witches and evil spirits came out on Christmas Eve looking for brooms to ride on. To this day, many people still hide their brooms in the safest place in the house to stop them from being stolen.

1. 9 2. Oxford 3. Olaf 4. Twelfth Night 5. Finland 6. Tchaikovsky
7. White Christmas (Bing Crosby) 8. Servants 9. Mulled ale 10. Swedish

Quiz answers