

Greetings to you all.

Quote from 'A Buzz in the Meadow' by Dave Goulson.

'Some scientists predict that as many as two-thirds of all species on Earth will be extinct by the end of this century. You might question why this matters.'

Greta Thunberg the young activist spoke to world leaders about Climate Change. She indicated that the world had failed her and all young people; that the world was only concerned with money and internal growth.

When we look at Scripture we discover that -

'In the beginning God made human beings in his likeness, to have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the cattle, and everything that moves on the earth. God saw all that he had made and it was very good.'

The earth's climate will continue to warm for decades whatever action we take now, leading inevitably to famine and hardship. Countless species are already extinct.

We need to act now - the sooner we stop ravaging the earth, the less dreadful the future will be.

WE MUST ALL ACT NOW AND DO OUR PART.

We need to encourage, and inspire everyone to cherish what we have, and to realise if we do nothing what we will lose of God's wonderful world. Conservation is not just about elephants or rhinos, it is just as much about beetles, bees, flowers, flies, bats and bugs.

When we go outside let us look and listen. The birds are calling but for how much longer if we do nothing as a Global Community?

Greta Thunberg travelled to the other side of the ocean to make her point; let us encourage where we can today.

As the world was created, God said "It is good". Let that be for the future.

May God bless you all as you enjoy his creation.

Daphne (Chaplain)



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NEIGHBOURS MONTHLY NEWS-SHEET FOR CORTON HOUSE AND BRAKENDON CLOSE

Message from Nigel Hodge, Board Member

Chris Groves suggested I join the board some years ago as my property background would be a good benefit to them.

I am Norwich born but have been away to the big city of London to work, returning some 20 years ago. With Norwich itself, the countryside, Broads and Coast who could stay away?

I work as a surveyor and advise property owners how to look after their investments. A lot of this involves organising repairs and maintenance on everything from blocks of flats, shopping centres and industrial estates. I could, during the week, be on top of a roof, reviewing fire safety, or dealing with water leaks.

In my spare time I used to enjoy running and I have completed the London marathon twice before my knees complained too much and I turned more to coaching to encourage others to achieve what they wanted from a sport that gave me pleasure. I still run -just not so often - but I have since taken up cycling as my distraction from work, and most weekends I will go out exploring the countryside. Maybe one day a Land's End to John o' Groats challenge! I only wish there were less pot holes on the road!

Corton House Ltd is a fantastic family, and its whole being based on loving care still has a place in the modern world. The last 15 months have been devastating for all areas of life, but there does now seem to be a way out and we can all look forward to the freedoms we had before Covid started. Then there is the football. Well I was not around in 1966, but it is looking good as I write and has resulted in a feel-good factor for all!

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LISA BROWN— NEW APPOINTMENT

It is with great sadness that we have to say goodbye to our Corton House Manager, Lisa Brown, who is leaving us on July 19th for pastures new as an Operations Manager with another Care Provider.

Lisa came to us in October 2019 at a time of change within the organisation, never imagining that she would have to lead the team at Corton House through a pandemic! Lisa not only managed to get us through the other side, but with the team at Corton House behind her, all of whom worked above and beyond, we managed to achieve a well-deserved GOOD rating in the recent CQC inspection.

Lisa will be much missed by staff and residents alike but she should be very proud of her achievements while at Corton House. I know she has thoroughly enjoyed working with such a dedicated staff and will miss the camaraderie and laughter even when times were tough. We wish her all the very best for the future and wonder what hair colour she will choose for her new job?!

Thank you, Lisa, from all of us.



Lorraine would like to thank all tenants of Brakendon Close for her wonderful flowers, wine and card filled with so many lovely heartfelt messages received during her current spell of absence. She hopes to be back with you before too long.

Longevity....

In June 1953, the month and year of our Queen's Coronation, I got married. It was a fine sunny day, unlike the soggy and wet conditions of the Queen's day of celebration.

In true potential 'wife-style' I made several domestic purchases, including a Swan brand milk pan. It had two pouring spouts, a heat-proof handle and it was of sturdy thickness. It cost 19 shillings, almost half of my weekly wage of £2 and 2 shillings.

My husband-to-be berated my costly outlay. But 68 years later it is still in regular use and in good condition. It has cooked sauces, gravies, custards, eggs, baked beans and soups galore. It has had its fair share of mishaps, boiled over, burned dry and been dropped a few times—but what a great investment for 19 shillings!

It certainly is long lasting—like our Queen!



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FROM THE ACTIVITIES CO-ORDINATOR



Residents with Lady the dog. Norma's knitted hats for premature babies.

This month was all about finding the Joy in June! The residents really enjoyed a lovely picnic lunch in the garden so thank you to all the staff who made this such a treat.

We had a young dog in called Lady who melted a few hearts as she curled up on our laps. Thank you to Emily who bought her in. Some memories never fade and we enjoyed reminiscing about our fathers as it was Father's Day, as well as flower arranging to make the dining room look special.

We continue to find joy in playing our favourite games but are always looking for new ones – the latest being Quirkle.

Our knitting group is growing although we encourage everyone to come along if only for a natter!

A few of the residents have been interested in the football and with Wimbledon just starting it should inspire us to continue with our weekly seated exercises.

However, variety is the spice of life and some prefer doing a jigsaw, sitting in the garden or chatting with friends. You can always find joy!

A big thank you to all the staff who made cup cakes and residents/ tenants who purchased them. We raised £86.00 for the Alzheimer's Society.



Shop Trolley with Mel
Thursday 15th July 2021

