

*Brrr! and Phew!.....*



December! Where has 2018 gone? This year has been, and still is, full of Politics and Brexit. But, what we British really want to talk about is our WEATHER and 2018 has been quite a year of extremes.

Early in the year we had more snow and frost than we had had for a long time. On the roads, rails and in the air it caused its usual chaos. The snow bedecked trees and hedges, looked very pretty and the wintry sky was a bright blue. We tenants and residents admired the scene safely inside and warm.

Not such a happy view and prospect for our staff members and all other workers, especially in the countryside, who had great problems to surmount, and did so with diligence.

Spring, with its bright bulbs and green shoots was welcome and enjoyed. Then – SUMMER– hit us. Days and days of strong sunshine and high temperatures. Residents, tenants and staff were all affected.

We survived, the heatwave went and a golden Autumn set in. Now– here we are, about to enter December. What's to come? Who knows? A white Christmas? Good old British weather!

*Anonymous*

### From the Activities Co-ordinator

Jo and Chris our volunteers who run our knitting group took Brenda, one of our residents, to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital to deliver some hats for the premature babies. She said it was one of the best days of her life and she was thrilled to be helping out. We had our first Bridge game for many years and we are on the look out for any bridge players who would be willing to come in and give some of our residents/tenants a game?

Jennie (volunteer) gave a great talk on Sikhism and everyone was really interested in learning about another religion. There are eight volunteers from the Norwich School Sixth Form coming to help – playing scrabble, biscuit decorating, crafts etc.

Residents also chatted with them about what they were doing when they were the same age of sixteen/seventeen. The students were fascinated to hear about the difference in their lives.

The next meeting of the Activities and Leisure Committee will be on  
Wednesday 16th January 2019 at **2.15pm**

If anybody would like to receive Neighbours by email would they please  
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## NEIGHBOURS

### MONTHLY NEWS-SHEET FOR CORTON HOUSE AND BRAKENDON CLOSE



**FROM THE HEAD OF CARE**

The Guy Fawkes firework display on the 6<sup>th</sup> November was well received by all residents, tenants, staff and their families. An enjoyable evening.

The Coffee Morning on the 15<sup>th</sup> November was also very successful - well done to Ann and the volunteers who helped on the day.

The countdown to Christmas has now begun - please note that all events are issued for both December and January and are listed on the insert.

As this will be the last publication before Christmas, Seasonal Greetings and a Happy New Year from all at Corton House.



**FROM THE SCHEME MANAGER**

Our Forties event was a great success and enjoyed by all, especially the costumes which helped transport those in attendance back to that era with, hopefully, fond memories.

Tenants were treated to a ‘spookalicious’ Halloween, Guy Fawkes and a Thanksgiving themed quiz evening where all things eaten were made of pumpkin! Plus... we all gained an extra hour in bed at the end of October signalling shorter days and cosy nights.

And now... ‘tis the season to be jolly! 🎵 🎵 Fa la la la la la la la la!

**Happy Christmas Everyone!**

**December Events at Brakendon Close**

*Please see notice board for regular activities  
( All are welcome to join us )*



*All are welcome to attend Worship Service and Prayer*

**Wednesday Services  
10.00 am Leisure Room**

Dec 5th Alan Gidney  
Dec 12th Ros Crowe  
Dec 19th Revd Daphne Lloyd  
Dec 26th Revd Daphne Lloyd

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Jan 2nd David Ingham  
Jan 9th Ros Crowe  
Jan 16th Ian Charles  
Jan 23rd Terry Baker  
Jan 30th Revd David Adam

**Holy Communion**

Thursday Dec 6th 11.00am  
Brakendon Close  
Thursday Dec 20th 11.00am  
Corton House  
Friday Dec 28th 10.00am  
Corton House Revd Daphne Lloyd

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Thursday Jan 3rd 11.00am  
Brakendon Close  
Thursday Jan 17th  
Corton House  
Friday Jan 25th 10.00am  
Corton House Revd Rosemary  
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**Sunday Services  
10.00am Leisure Room**

Dec 9th Graham Fletcher  
Dec 23rd Revd Daphne Lloyd

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Jan 6th Graham Fletcher  
Jan 20th Alan Gidney

**Extra Christmas Services**

Monday Dec 24th  
Roman Catholic Mass 4.30pm  
BC Blake Lounge  
(See insert also)

**Songs of Praise  
3.15pm The Atrium**

Dec 2nd Revd Christopher Wood  
Dec 16th Revd Rosemary Tusting  
Dec 30th Revd Ivan Bailey

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Jan 13th Paulette Yallop  
Jan 27th Revd Catherine Hutton

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**Prayer Group**

**10.30 Leisure Room**

Monday Dec 3rd Stan Honor  
Monday Jan 7th Stan Honor

**Quiet Room at Brakendon Close**

There will be a time for prayer every Tuesday at 7.00pm.  
Evening prayer (Compline) will be held on the 4th Saturday of every month at 7pm.

