



Kettlestone & Pensthorpe Parish News September 2025

We welcome articles for the newsletter, including village news and photos, historical articles, welcoming new villagers, details of village organisations, village activities etc. Send to:

kettlestonepc@googlemail.com by 25th of preceding month.

Kettlestone Parish website: <https://kettlestoneparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk/>

Summary of Dates

- Wednesdays 7pm Weekly Table Tennis
- 4th Wed 2 -4 pm Social / Craft: 26 Sept; 24 Oct
- Sat 6 Sept 12 – 2 pm Harvest Lunch
- Sun 14 Sept 11 am Holy Communion
- Mon 15 Sept 7:30 pm: Parish Council Meeting
- Sat 20 Sept 10 am – 12 Macmillan Coffee Morning
- Thurs 16 Oct 7 pm 'Their Lives' History Project presentation in the Church
- Fri 24 Oct 7 pm Autumn Quiz Night
- Fri 14 Nov 7 pm How to avoid getting scammed
- Thurs 27 Nov 7 pm Talk on local WW1 soldiers

Kettlestone Parish Council

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Parish Councillors: David Head 878455, Trevor Hoad 822101, Robert Kilbourn (Vice-Chair) 316830, James Kilpatrick (Chair) 878214, Barbara Wyvill 878790.

Information about the parish council including minutes can be found on the website (details above).

VACANCIES. If you would like to be considered for co-option to the Parish Council to one of the two vacancies, please contact the Clerk or a parish councillor (details above).

Next Parish Council meeting is on **Monday 15 Sept** at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall. Everyone Welcome.

Wild Flowers on Holbrigg Lane

Holbrigg Lane has a couple of areas designated as Roadside Nature Reserve. A list of the plants identified as part of this process can be found on the village website on the 'Village Profile' tab and the 'Nature' tab.

All Saints Church

Service: 14 September 11 am Holy Communion

We look forward to welcoming you.

The PCC would like to thank Norfolk Stump Grinding Ltd for their generous deal in removing unsightly stumps left by the felling of trees in the churchyard in recent years.



If anyone is interested in contributing to the cost of replacement trees please contact a member of the current PCC. Our names are displayed in the church porch!

100 Club

JULY: 1st Andrew Murray; 2nd Andrea Kallmeier; 3rd Helen O'Donnell

AUGUST

1st Mary Townsin; 2nd Tony Little; 3rd Fleur Waterston



All Saints Church from the east

Sponsored Bike Ride

Just a reminder that Brian and I will be taking part in our 19th Norfolk Churches Trust sponsored bike ride, walk and drive on 13th September. We believe we are approaching £400 in sponsorship so far, which is fantastic! Thank you so much to those of you who have already sponsored us. There is still time to pledge some money - we would love to be able to top £500.

If you wish to contribute you can do this by filling in a sponsor form (from us or a member of the PCC), or via our JustGiving page

<https://www.justgiving.com/team/gill-and-brian-2025> ,

or email us, or feel free to pop some money through our letterbox at The Willows! If you would like to gift aid your sponsorship we will need your full name, first line of your address, and postcode.

Thank you so much for your support.

Gill and Brian Ashby, Gillashby28@gmail.com

Kettlestone History Project in partnership with the PCC

To commemorate the 80th anniversary of the end of WW2 '**THEIR LIVES**'. Thursday **16 October at 7 pm** in **All Saints Church**. A presentation about local events and the lives of Kettlestone men and women during World War Two. Refreshments will be served. **Thursday 27 November 7pm:** in the Village Hall Steve Smith will give a talk about further research he has carried out into **local soldiers of WW1**.

Kettlestone Village Hall News

Previous Events

In mid-August, Kettlestone Village Hall shone brightly as we came together to mark its diamond anniversary. The Hall, its grounds and David's garden, beautifully dressed in fluttering bunting, bursting stalls of cakes and bottles, while the irresistible aroma of fish and chips filled the air. The Ukulele Band was ready to strike a chord, cocktails sparkled in the sun, and raffle tickets promised surprises to come.

The heart of the celebration was, of course, members, family, and friends who brought everything to life with smiles, laughter, and a wonderful sense of community. Hans delivered a rousing speech, and Alec and Pauline proudly unveiled the beautifully crafted new Village Hall sign — a lasting symbol of pride and togetherness.

A huge and heartfelt thank you goes to everyone who gave their time, skills, and energy to make the day so memorable. It was a true celebration of community spirit and the place the hall holds at the heart of village life.

Up-coming Events

- Saturday 6 Sept 12noon -2pm - **Harvest Lunch**. This popular event is back. Why not come along and enjoy some homemade soup and a toasted sandwich, followed by a scone with jam and cream.



This is a great event to catch up with friends. There is no charge, however donations to the VH funds welcomed.

- Saturday 20 Sept 10 am-12 - **Macmillan Coffee Morning**. Many heartfelt thanks to all those who donated a wonderful array of cakes for our recent Anniversary celebration, each one was sold at the end of the day. I have decided to carry on the tradition of hosting a MacMillan coffee morning at the hall to raise money and awareness of this amazing charity. I hope you will all be able to come and enjoy a coffee and chat. I will once again need to ask for your kindness in donations of a cake or biscuits of your choice. If you can help, could you please message me prior to the event on 07837442834, and kindly deliver to the Village Hall on the morning please. Many thanks again to the wonderful bakers of Kettlestone and Little Snoring.
Kate Willock

- Friday 24 Oct 7pm - **Autumn Quiz Night**. The Popular Little Snoring Quiz Masters are back with some more questions to test us. Join us for a fun general knowledge quiz! here will be a break in the middle to replenish your drinks. Ideally there should be up to 6 in each team, but we can put teams together on the night. Prizes for the winning team! There is no charge, however donations to the VH funds welcomed.

- Friday 14 Nov 7pm **How to Avoid Getting Scammed** – a Presentation by David Sobczak. An essential subject everyone needs to be constantly aware of; David will share his top tips on how to avoid getting scammed; using real examples and some stories from close to home. David has been involved with IT security work and through his training in the public sector, he will focus on the dangers in receiving phone calls, texts and emails. In addition, the presentation will cover the use of computers, iPad type devices, smart phones, websites, online shopping, fake investments and romance scams!
- Thursday 27 Nov 7pm **Kettlestone History Project - Local Heroes of WW1** – a talk by Norfolk Historian Steve Smith. This talk sees the welcome return of Steve Smith and it is a follow up of a talk he gave last year about WW1 battles. This is a free event however donations to the History Project are welcomed - Bar open
- Saturday 13 Dec 6 pm **Christmas Dinner**. Join us for this very popular village event, celebrate Christmas time with friends – all the details to follow.

Weekly Table Tennis

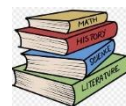
A social and fun session every Wednesday evening 7-8.30pm. New members always welcome. Please contact Kate Willock on 01328 878160

Monthly Social/Craft Afternoon

- Every 4th Wednesday 2pm - 4pm
Enjoy homemade cake and a cuppa or two and catch up with friends, feel free to bring a craft project if you wish and there are board games available - £3 per person

Education Grant

Young people studying for their first degree, apprenticeship or equivalent can apply for support to purchase books, materials & resources. Email kettlestonecharities@googlemail.com for an application form. Deadline for submission of application is the **end of September 2025**.



Local Contacts

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North Norfolk District Council 01263 513811 or <https://www.north-norfolk.gov.uk/> and use the search function to access the online forms to report **fly-tipping, dog fouling** etc.

Norfolk County Council: 0344 800 8020
Road and footpath defects:
<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/roads/report-a-problem> .