

# High Kelling Parish Chronicle

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*Siskin spotted at 'Siskins' by Geoff Cleall of Bernard Close*

An information newsletter by the High Kelling Parish Council and  
Trustees of the Village Hall for all villagers of High Kelling

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## Editorial Note

We have a packed issue this month. In addition to all the usual news from the Parish Council, the Village Hall and All Saints Church, there is advance notification of the Village's VE/VJ Day Celebrations and a fund-raising day by our wonderful deli-stall proprietors, Phil and Carol Otty, in support of the BEAT Eating Disorders charity (see page 8), both taking place next month.

Don't miss the opportunity to participate in the survey being organised by Steven Sonsino to establish the current extent of full fibre broadband within the village, and to undertake training in CPR and the use of defibrillators in training sessions being organised by John Mangan.

Many thanks to residents Amanda Mancini and Jane Fejer who have both written in with reflections on the natural world that surrounds us, and photographs submitted by Robin Johnson and Geoff Cleall, all of which underscore High Kelling's standing as a Green Village.

Glaven Caring has a packed programme of events for April, a lot of which seems to involve the consumption of delicious food, but also includes their AGM on the 29<sup>th</sup> April to which all are invited.

Finally, Easter is still a little way off, but I hope it is not too early for me to convey to you and yours Easter Greetings on behalf of the Parish Council and the Village Hall Management Trustees.

**Cllr Duncan Henderson**

Editor

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**VE/VJ 80 to be celebrated in the High Kelling Village Hall on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 6.00pm until 10.00pm.**

**Fish and chips to be served from 6.30pm and bar open. Tea, coffee and cake available. 40's music playing.**

**Tickets £10.00 from: [Susan@rutherford.world](mailto:Susan@rutherford.world)**

## **From your Parish Council**

The Parish Council held their most recent meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> March and there are several matters to report on.



### **Fatal Accident on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2024**

The police are still completing their enquiries into this incident and we have been informed that this is likely to take several months. In the meantime, the police have maintained a regular presence at the Avenue Road junction to check on vehicle speeds.

### **Bridge Road**

The Parish Council's bid for funding for Bridge Road improvements has been successful. This will include new village gates on Bridge Road, a warning sign ahead of the bridge, and warning signs on the approaches to the junctions with Warren Road and Bernard Close combined with SLOW markings painted on the road.

### **SAM2**

The speed camera has now been placed on the A148 and is currently near to the Village sign. It will be moved periodically between three locations agreed with the police and will provide statistics on the number of cars travelling through the village and the number exceeding the speed limit. This information will also be published in the Parish Chronicle.

### **Speedwatch**

The Community Speedwatch team continue to operate one morning each week between 9am and 10am. There are usually between 800 and 900 cars passing through the village at that time and of those 10 to 20 are travelling at excess of 35mph.

### **Full Fibre Broadband**

Some residents have already been able to make the switch to Full Fibre Broadband with Virgin Media but this option is not yet available to every property. Virgin Media have indicated that they are looking to expand the availability over a period of time, but it is not yet known when the service will be available to all properties. Openreach have indicated that they expect to have their service available in High Kelling by December 2026. For more information about this, and the opportunity to participate in a coverage survey being conducted by Steven Sonsino, see his article on page 5.

## **Lidl opening in Holt**

District Cllr Martin Batey reported that Lidl will be opening in Holt and the supermarket will be sited on the roundabout near the Heath Farm development.

## **Local Government changes**

As you will be aware, there are plans for devolution and the creation of a mayoralty covering Norfolk and Suffolk which will result in the existing District Councils in Norfolk being abolished. One of the plans involves there only being three Districts in Norfolk which would be Norwich, East Norfolk and West Norfolk; High Kelling could end up being in either West or East Norfolk. No decision has yet been taken, and consultations are likely to continue for some time.

## **Litter-Pick and Path-Clearance**

A date for your diaries: On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May Cllr David Carter is organising the Summer litter-pick and path-clearance. Volunteers will meet at the Village Hall 10am and finish at around 11:30am for refreshments and chat in the Village Hall. Further details in the next issue of your Parish Chronicle.

## **Tree survey**

The Parish Council have responsibility for the trees at the front of Voewood adjacent to the path and arrangements are being made for the trees to be inspected so that, if any work is required, we can arrange for this to be carried out.

## **Pollinator Beds**

The plants in the new pollinator beds at the Village sign and at the junction of Pineheath and Cromer Roads appear to have survived the winter. These will be supplemented by new plants if there are found to be any gaps. Anyone who has any pollinator plants that they wish to donate for either of these pollinator beds please get in touch with me. We are also wanting to install bug hotels at these sites and would be interested if anyone can source these locally.

## **Next Meeting of the Parish Council and Annual General Meeting**

This will take place on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 7.00pm. More details will be provided in the next edition of the Parish Chronicle.

## **Peter Rutherford**

Chair, High Kelling Parish Council

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## Full Fibre Broadband – How's it going for you?

*Steven Sonsino of Pineheath Road writes:*

I hope those of you who've taken up Virgin Media's offer of full fibre broadband are now enjoying your TV uninterrupted - no more spinning circles at 7 o'clock or frozen screens just as the football kicks off!

Sadly, over on the east end of Pineheath Road, Virgin Media tells us that full fibre isn't available yet. We'd really love to have access too - not just for the news or football (honest), but for day-to-day things like online banking, and even publishing the books we're still working on.

We know some parts of the village are still struggling with slow or unreliable connections. If that's you - if you're still left out of the full fibre rollout - it would be great to hear from you. Do you have access to Virgin Media? Or are you still stuck with patchy service?

I'd like to do a quick informal survey to see how many of us are affected and where we are in the village. If we can build a clear picture, we'll be in a stronger position to ask for help. Strength in numbers and all that.

Please go online and complete the survey at [bit.ly/hkvh](http://bit.ly/hkvh)



Drop me a WhatsApp at 07809 146741.

Or you can use this QR code on your phone. (Point your camera at this and it will take you straight to the survey.)

## Defibrillator Training in High Kelling

A Defibrillator and CPR when used together can be life savers in a cardiac arrest situation. As many will know, High Kelling has three Defibrillators: one outside the Village Hall on Avenue Road, one in the old phone box at the Village Stores & Post Office, and one at the Holt Rugby Club in Bridge Road.

On the afternoon of Saturday 3rd May we will be holding Training Sessions in the Village Hall on CPR and the use of the defibrillators. This course is run by the Norfolk Accident Rescue Service and is free of charge to all attendees. People are encouraged to attend the course as the more people who are comfortable with using the machine and CPR, the more effective it will be when it really matters.

**Anyone interested in attending, please contact John Mangan, Trustee, on 07757 690018 or email [mangan.herb@gmail.com](mailto:mangan.herb@gmail.com).** Depending on the number of people interested, a number of sessions will take place throughout the afternoon.

## **News from your Village Hall Committee**

### **Grant Funding – Vision for the Hall**

Unfortunately our grant application to the Orsted Community Fund was unsuccessful, so we have reviewed the improvements sought behind the Village Hall and have decided to limit them to the installation of energy efficient external lighting, at least for the short term. Consequently, replacement of the aged external storage sheds will remain a future enhancement, but only if funds can be found to do so.



### **Village Hall Tabletop and Plant Sale**

In the light of the need to review our inability to replace the tired sheds in the short term, we will consider holding a tabletop and plant sale event, similar to last year's, maybe in June or July. The tabletop element would give us an opportunity to sell off some assets stored on the premises, thereby reducing the shed space required for storage.

### **Maintenance**

Our financial year ended on the 31<sup>st</sup> March. Throughout the financial year, compared to recent years, it has been necessary to carry out many essential repairs. As a consequence, we have received much appreciation for the improvements. That said, we will strive to make further improvements, as necessary, when funds permit.

### **Defibrillator Training**

The defibrillator training sought at the Village Hall is now in place for the 3<sup>rd</sup> May. Full details are displayed separately within this publication.

It remains our intention to provide training in conjunction with other local organisations to ensure training is available locally on a fairly frequent basis, to give people the opportunity to become familiar with the equipment and procedures.

### **Village Hall Secretary**

Sadly, Glenn Houchell has decided to leave the HKVH Committee at the next Annual General Meeting to have more time for his family and to pursue other interests. That said, Glenn is keen to retain some of his village hall tasks as a Village Hall Helper. Of course, we need to find his replacement, either from within the committee or a new face.

**Seventies Draw Club – April Winners:** Congratulations to all.

Prizes: 1st (£25) Susan Rutherford, 2nd (£15) Peter Rutherford, 3rd (£10) Mike Hebburn.

### **Trustee-Led Events:**

**Pub Nights** Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April and 25<sup>th</sup> April, 7pm to 10.30pm.

Do come long and have a chat with fellow villagers at the Pub Nights in the Village Hall.

**Coffee Morning** Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 10am – 12noon.

Why not have a relaxing period with a hot drink and cake with others attending as well as an opportunity to have a go at a quiz? Cakes always welcome!

**Bingo** Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April - 2pm. These sessions are easy-going and sociable with several chances to win modest prizes.

### **VE Day Celebrations - 6<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

Although VE Day falls on the 8<sup>th</sup> May, we decided to arrange a celebration of its 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, ahead of national plans, on the evening of the 6<sup>th</sup> May in the Village Hall. This will include a subsidised fish and chips supper, at a cost of £10 per head. The bar will be open, accompanied by suitable period stereo music in the background. See notice on page 2 for further details.

### **Summer Solstice with The Shantymen – 21st June 2025**

We have been very fortunate to secure the services of The Shantymen by making a sizeable donation for this event, which is open to everyone. There will be a single ticket charge of £10 per head. Meals will not be provided, but snacks and drinks will be available.

#### **Event Tickets**

*VE Day Celebration* and the *Summer Solstice with The Shantymen* tickets can be reserved through Susan Rutherford by post via the Village Hall or by email ([Susan@rutherford.world](mailto:Susan@rutherford.world)).

### **Contactless Payments at Your Village Hall**

Given the trend towards a cashless society, we have successfully introduced a card payment facility for payments at the Village Hall for Pub Nights and events.

## Future Events

Currently, throughout the year ahead the Village Hall is available on Saturday afternoons and evenings, as well as on most Tuesday afternoons and evenings. Events organised by others, including private events, will be considered for these time slots.

### Colin Kemp

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## *News re BEAT Eating Disorders from Phil and Carol Otty*

*We would like to thank all of you who have supported our stall at 43 Pineheath Road over the past year. Due to your generosity we have been able to send £1,200 to BEAT Eating Disorders to help their ongoing work to end the pain and suffering caused by eating disorders.*



*Around 1.25 million people in the UK suffer from these illnesses, many in secret. They are of all ages, genders and backgrounds - eating disorders do not discriminate. BEAT's national helpline exists to encourage and empower people to get help quickly. The charity is based in Norwich.*

*As part of our continuing support, we are planning a fundraising afternoon at the Village Hall on Wednesday, 28th May 2025 from 1-5pm. There will be refreshments, a raffle and a cake stall. We look forward to seeing you there.*

*Very many thanks from Phil and Carol*

## Glaven Centre - What's on in April?

Looking to Easter, we are already busy planning our decorations and special events – do join us!

You are all invited to the Glaven Caring AGM on Tuesday 29th April at 15:30 at The Glaven Centre, Thistleton Court, Blakeney NR25 7PH.

Happy Mondays lunch – two delicious hot courses for just £5 – do book ahead with a quick phone call. Turkey is on the menu for 14th April.



*Bluebells by Robin Johnson*

Coffee, Cake and Chat every Tuesday at 10am is a great way to start the day. On 15th April, our raffle will be chocolate-themed to celebrate Easter. A must for chocolate lovers!

Book in for our special St George's Day lunch and entertainment on 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

Our popular Carers Coffee Morning 10am to 12 noon on the first Friday of the month - 4th April - a welcoming space for Carers to share experience and get support. Come and meet our caring professionals.

Check out our client activities at [www.glavencaring.co.uk](http://www.glavencaring.co.uk) for full details of crafts and games for our daycare clients. Seated exercise included!

Also special thanks to Niamh and Hannah who walked 30 miles and raised over £1000 for Glaven Caring. We are so very grateful. If anyone else would like to follow in their footsteps with their own walking challenge, please do get in touch.



*Red Admiral by Robin Johnson*

If you have friends or family who might like to visit the Centre for a free introductory half-day, please do drop in to find out more about our services or call our managers, Steph and Michaela on 01263 740762

The Glaven Centre will close on 18th and 21st April for Easter.

**Glaven Caring**  
**Thistleton Court, Blakeney NR25 7PH**

## Village Hall Diary for April 2025

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	<b>1</b> 10.00-13.00 Quelle Art MH	<b>2</b> 09.45-12.15 Full Motion Pilates WH 13.15-15.15 HKSM Bowls WH 19.00-22.00 Holt Bridge MH	<b>3</b> 10.00-13.00 Art Lark MH 13.15-17.30 HKSM Bowls WH 19.00-22.00 Abacus Bridge MH	<b>4</b> 09.30-12.30 HK Table Tennis WH 19.00-22.00 NN Model Engineers MH	<b>5</b> 09.30-11.00 Simply Yoga MH	<b>6</b> 13.30-17.15 HKSM Bowls WH
<b>7</b> 09.30-12.30 HK Table Tennis WH 14.00-16.00 U3 Bridge MH	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 09.45-12.15 Full Motion Pilates WH 13.15-15.15 HKSM Bowls WH 19.00-22.00 Holt Bridge MH	<b>10</b> 09.00-12.00 U3A German CG 10.00-13.00 Art Lark MH 13.15-17.30 HKSM Bowls WH 19.00-22.00 Abacus Bridge MH	<b>11</b> 09.30-12.30 HK Table Tennis WH <b>19.00-22.00 VH Pub Night MH</b>	<b>12</b> 09.30-11.00 Simply Yoga MH 12.00-16.00 Beading Plus! CG	<b>13</b> 13.30-17.15 HKSM Bowls WH
<b>14</b> 09.30-12.30 HK Table Tennis WH 14.00-16.00 U3 Bridge MH 19.00-22.00 HK Gardening Club WH	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> <b>10.00 VH Coffee Morning MH</b> 13.15-15.15 HKSM Bowls WH 19.00-22.00 Holt Bridge MH	<b>17</b> 13.15-17.30 HKSM Bowls WH 19.00-22.00 Abacus Bridge MH	<b>18</b> 09.30-12.30 HK Table Tennis WH 14.00-17.00 NN U3A Digital Photography WH 18.00-19.45 Simply Yoga WH	<b>19</b> 09.30-11.00 Simply Yoga MH	<b>20</b> 13.30-17.15 HKSM Bowls WH
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<b>28</b> 09.30-12.30 HK Table Tennis WH 14.00-16.00 U3 Bridge MH	<b>29</b> 10.00-13.00 Quelle Art MH	<b>30</b> 09.45-12.15 Full Motion Pilates WH 13.15-15.15 HKSM Bowls WH	<b>Key:</b> WH=Whole Hall; MH=Main Hall; CG=Constance Grey Room; <b>Red Font</b> =Trustee-led events.			

## THE PARISH OF HOLT WITH HIGH KELLING

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**Holy Week & Easter**  
**13<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

### Services at All Saints:

Thursday 10.00am Said Eucharist

Sunday 9.15am Said Eucharist

For more information about services at the Parish Church and church life please see the church notice board or visit [www.holtchurch.org](http://www.holtchurch.org)

For Live Streaming search YouTube: St Andrew the Apostle, Holt

Dear Friends,

Falling on the first Sunday after the Paschal Full Moon, which is the first full moon after the spring equinox which this year occurred on the 20<sup>th</sup> March, Easter Day falls on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April. The latest Easter Day could occur is the 25<sup>th</sup> April and the earliest is March 22<sup>nd</sup>. This method of calculating the date of Easter was established at the Council of Nicaea in 325AD and has remained the same for the past 1700 years.

Over the years it has been suggested that the date of Easter should be fixed just as the date of Christmas is fixed. Thankfully, such suggestions have come to nothing, and the date of Easter continues to have its roots in the Jewish tradition of the Passover, the time of year when Christ was crucified, which begins on the night of a full moon after the northern spring equinox. To fix the date of Easter would, in my opinion, disconnect it from the Jewish Passover and lessen the significance of Christ Jesus as being the new Passover lamb sacrificed for the forgiveness of our sin, who passed over from death to life and won the victory over death so that all may share his new life in heaven.

It is quite remarkable that in the secular 21<sup>st</sup> century the date of such a major spring holiday, which dictates things like the dates of school terms, Mother's Day, etc., and impacts greatly on tourism, hospitality and vacations, is determined by a religious festival which falls on a different date each year. Long may it continue!

Easter is the climax of the church's year and remains an important date. Together with Christians around the world we celebrate our Lord's resurrection from the grave, the victory of love over hatred, good over evil, light over darkness and life over death. It is a celebration full of hope and joy giving us the confidence to dream dreams and work together for a better world in which people are blessed with peace and plenty.

I cannot remember a time when the future of world order seems so uncertain and world peace so threatened. Easter and the victory Christ has won gives us the confidence to hope that all will be well.

As we prepare to celebrate the Passover of Christ from death to life, may I extend a warm invitation to you to join us in Church and may the joy and peace of the risen Christ be yours this Easter and always.

Every blessing to you and yours,

Fr. Howard

### **SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK & EASTER 13<sup>TH</sup> – 20<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2025**

*(All services at the Holt Parish Church unless stated otherwise)*

- Palm Sunday:** 8am BCP Holy Eucharist  
**9.15am Holy Eucharist at All Saints**  
10.15am Blessing of Palms, Procession and Parish Eucharist - meet in Holt Church Hall  
5.00pm Choral Evensong
- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday in Holy Week:** 7.00pm Eucharist with Address
- Maundy Thursday:** 7.00pm Eucharist of the Last Supper and Watch of the Passion until Midnight
- Good Friday:** **10.00am Stations of the Cross at All Saints, High Kelling**  
11.00am Ecumenical Procession of Witness beginning at Holt Methodist Church  
2.30pm Liturgy of Word, Cross & Sacrament
- Holy Saturday:** 9.00am Morning Prayer & 5.30pm Evening Prayer  
7.30pm Easter Vigil & First Eucharist of Easter
- Easter Day:** 8.00am Holy Eucharist BCP  
**9.15am Holy Eucharist at All Saints, High Kelling**  
10.30am Sung Parish Family Eucharist followed by an Easter Egg Hunt for Children

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**COFFEE & CHAT Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am** at No 4 Pineheath Road, courtesy of Ann Alborough. All Are welcome.

### **ILLUSTRATED STAINED GLASS WINDOW LENT TALK: From Death to Life**

Fr Howard Stoker and James Thomson will be giving a talk on the significance of a stained glass window in the parish church on Wednesday 9th April at 11.00am in St Andrews Meeting Room (coffee available). All welcome.

**THURSDAY MORNING COFFEE** at No 4 Pineheath Road following the 10am Eucharist at All Saints. All welcome.

**FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP GROUPS:** Two groups meet once a month in the parish for bible study, prayer and fellowship. For more details [www.holtchurch.org](http://www.holtchurch.org)

**MENS GROUP AT ST ANDREWS: Meets on Wednesdays 1.30pm-3.00pm** in the meeting room at the Parish Church. An inclusive, non-judgemental, welcoming group which offers support, friendship, and conversation and is concerned for men's wellbeing. Come along and find out more.

**QUALITY TABLE TOP SALE: Saturday 26th April 10.00am – 2.00pm in St. Andrew’s Church Hall, Holt.**  
All welcome. To book a table, £12.00 each, call Philip on 01263 587854. Café open.

**BISHOP OF RICHBOROUGH PASTORAL VISIT:** the newly consecrated Bishop Luke Irvine-Capel will be visiting the parish on Friday 2nd May. He will preside at the 9.30am Eucharist and there will be an opportunity to meet him over coffee after the service. All are welcome

**HOLT & COMMUNITY DISTRICT SUPPORT FUND (Energy).** Local support for local people. UPDATE: If you or anyone you know needs financial help to meet their energy costs, please let them know funds are available and not to be proud or afraid to ask. If in need contact the Rector for more information.

**HOME VISITING:** If you would welcome a visit from the parish clergy or an authorised pastoral assistant please make contact.

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## Table Tennis Club – the John Martin Trophy

Thirteen of the Club’s players competed in the John Martin Trophy on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025. The winner was Colin Humphreys who was presented with the Trophy by John Martin himself. Chris Larkins was the runner-up.

A full report will follow in the next issue of the Chronicle.

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## Captured Moments



Back in February, a male blue tit seemed to have taken to roosting every night in my camera nest box and I started to get my hopes up. In March things were progressing well and he had a lady friend who would pop in, albeit briefly, to inspect his choice of nest site. Her visits were generally so fleeting at this stage that most of the time they barely registered on the video feed.

This carried on for quite a while; the male roosting at night and occasionally his lady friend popping in during the day to inspect. Then in mid-March, bits of moss started appearing in the box. My hopes continued to rise.

I could watch her take a beak full of nesting material and fly off with it towards the nest box. Seconds later she would appear inside the nest box and I could view it on the camera. My golden Labrador, Milo, very generously donated his hair trimmings to the cause. Blue tits apparently make their nest with moss and straw etc. first, then line it with softer stuff like hair and spiders’ webs afterwards. So initially the blue tit ignored Milo’s hair and just went for the moss.

So far everything is progressing well and I am getting excited at the prospect of blue tit eggs!

*Amanda Mancini (Pineheath Road)*

## Spring has come to High Kelling



Early morning walks have shown Spring's new beginning for the village and the woods beyond.

Blossom is abundant, with white and pink haze. A cacophony of catkins, full this year of a promise for future harvest to come. The trees have been busy slowly waking up, their sap rising.

As we walk down the path through the woods, blackbirds as usual accompany us with Morse the dog nudging them gently out of the way as he ambles along beside me. Morse, now in his 15th year, has slowed down. The blackbirds are now used to us.

The blue tits, robins and finches are racing around looking for nesting spots, their changing songs fill the air with the music of spring. Rooks in flight, spotted carrying large twigs for the nests. They are all pleased that the winds have died down.

There is still a whisper of icy frost, not yet wanting to go, but it disappears as the sun's warmth fills the air; the sea fret occasionally creeping up from the coast, hugging the tall bare branches hidden in this cloak.

The trees, still bare, standing upwards towards the sky, waiting for the sun's warmth with buds at the ready to open. Soon the green leaves will close over the canopy above, early morning light fragmenting through the trunks, and the understory below covered with daffodils, snowdrops, and soon bluebells, to carpet the forest floor.

The deer are out and, wandering through their paths, we come across a buck who stands firm, barking at us and watching Morse who is unfazed by his presence.

As we return to the village the new beds, now filled with early planting flowers, add to this new Spring that has started with such promise.

**Jane Fejer** (Pineheath Road)

## Bowled over

High Kelling Short Mat Bowls Club are running an additional Sunday afternoon session for players, both old and new, starting on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March** from 3.30 to 5.30pm.

**Short Mat Bowls** is for all ages and abilities, not just the retired! Our mission is to accommodate the growing number of people who want to give bowls a try but have work or other commitments during the week.

We are offering free taster sessions with tuition from experienced players in a warm, friendly environment (High Kelling Village Hall) with refreshments provided so do come along and give bowls a try. If you would like to find out more, contact Lyn on **01263 713898** or Irene on **07841286351/01263 711125**.

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7-11 Years (5:15pm-6:15pm)

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4-6 Years (4pm-5pm)  
7-11 Years (5:15pm-6:15pm)

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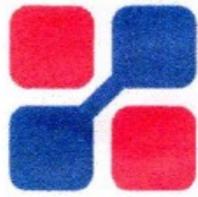
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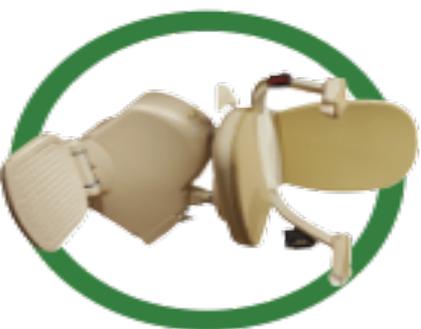
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