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Cover image, **Mike May** - The photo won the November 2019 Keynsham Photography Competition. It depicts the railway arch over the river Chew in Keynsham Memorial Park.

Keynsham Arts is a quarterly publication that aims to showcase some of the things that are happening across the Keynsham art scene



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Festive craft table

**Join us for festive craft table
at Keynsham Library!**

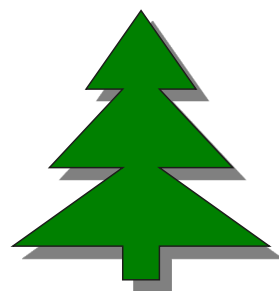
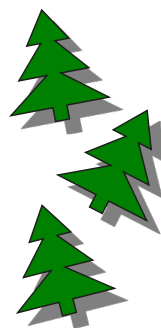
The table will be suitable for children aged 3+

Date: Thursday 19 December –
Tuesday 24 December

Time: All day

Venue: Keynsham Library

Drop in, free of charge and
suitable for children aged 3+



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ArtSpace Pop-Up Shop

Local Artists' Pop-up Shop returns to Keynsham in the Christmas run-up

The Keynsham ArtSpace group will be selling their wares throughout December from the Temple Street Canteen in the Town Centre.

All the items are created by artists in and around the Keynsham area

There are a wide variety of pieces for sale in many

different mediums, from glass and jewellery to prints and original paintings. There are some great Christmas items including cards and decorations and many original gift ideas to suit any budget.

All the items are created by artists in and around the Keynsham area, many of whom have contributed to other projects in the Town, including

the current poster display depicting local landmarks at Keynsham Station.

The pop-up will be open for business every day, upstairs in the Temple Street Canteen, until 21st December. Entry is FREE.



@Key_ArtSpace



@KeynshamArtSpace

KTCRfm announces frequency

Keynsham's community radio station will broadcast on **105.8fm**



music streaming, there will then be a 'hard launch' in the new year when fully scheduled broadcasting will commence".

Keynsham's brand new community radio station, will be transmitted on **105.8fm**

Further updates will be posted on the KTCRfm Facebook page and the new station website: www.ktcrfm.com.

In the meantime, anyone wanting to get their local radio fix will still be able to listen to The Keynsham Hour every Thursday at 1pm on SomerValleyFM, with 'listen again' available at www.somervalleyfm.co.uk.

Ofcom has confirmed that KTCRfm, Keynsham's brand new community radio station, will be transmitted on **105.8fm**. The frequency was confirmed in late November and listeners will be able to tune in on digital and FM devices as well as being able to listen online.

Some technical problems caused the original November launch to be pushed back, but

transmission installation, including the erection of a 40ft tower at the Burnett Business Park, was completed on 17th December with the station hoping to start transmitting imminently.

Keynsham Hour presenter, Ric Davison, explained what the station's plans were: "any launch before Christmas will be a 'soft launch', consisting of test broadcasting and fairly simple

For enquiries about any aspect of KTCRfm, including sponsorship and advertising, please contact the station.



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Snap & Show

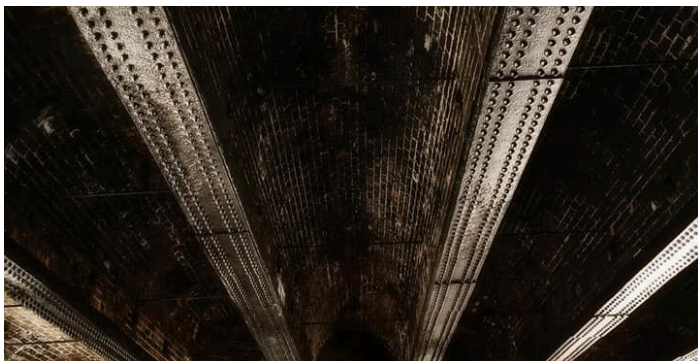
Keynsham group
to exhibit in Bath
Guildhall

Photographs from
Keynsham's Snap & Stroll
group have gone on display
as part of an exhibition in the
Guildhall in Bath.

The group normally meet
every Wednesday, go for a
walk and take photos based on
a changing theme. They have
contributed to numerous Town
Council initiatives since they
started up last year (including
Keynsham Arts magazine
and the railway station
posters) and have taken some
amazing photos that showcase
Keynsham and the surrounding
area, inviting viewers to
consider the town through a
different perspective.

The group was originally
set up by Creativity Works, a
charity who try to get people
involved in art projects to help
with their wellbeing. It's now
become peer-led, and this latest
exhibition is a testament to
the success of the project. One
of the members said: "I don't
think any of us realised how
proud we would all feel with
our images on display."

Entry to the exhibition is **FREE**
and you can see it in the
Guildhall, Bath until Thursday
16th January.



The exhibition at the Guildhall

Gift a book for Christmas

Donation sites:

BATH CENTRAL LIBRARY
KEYNSHAM LIBRARY
MIDSOMER NORTON LIBRARY
BATH ONE STOP SHOP

PLEASE DONATE YOUR UNWANTED BOOKS
THIS CHRISTMAS

WE ARE GOING TO GIFT YOUR DONATIONS TO
THOSE WHO MIGHT NOT RECEIVE PRESENTS
THIS YEAR

THE BOOKS CAN BE NEW OR SECOND HAND,
BUT WE CAN ONLY GIFT BOOKS IN GOOD
CONDITION

ANY DONATIONS THAT WE CAN'T PASS ON
WILL BE RECYCLED APPROPRIATELY

CLOSING DATE WEDNESDAY 18 DECEMBER



Bath & North East
Somerset Council

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
LIBRARY_EVENTS@BATHNES.GOV.UK

If a painted tree falls in a library



Keynsham's first-ever Big Draw produces giant forest scene



The 2x6 metre forest painting on display in the Libourne Lounge, Keynsham Library

A giant painted forest scene was put up in the Libourne lounge in Keynsham library in November. The installation was a result of a community art project which was part of the international 'Big Draw' festival.

as a result of taking part in the drawing festival the town of Keynsham has now become part of a global drawing event

Community members were invited to come and add to the piece of art, at the

Chocolate Quarter Art Studio in Somerdale, over five weekends in October and November. The theme was 'Autumn Forests' and contributors were encouraged to use their imagination to draw something that they might see or might like to see in a forest.

The finished piece was six metres wide and two and a half metres high. It contained trees, a river and all kinds of different animals; from squirrels and ladybirds to the more exotic brown bear and an elephant.

The Chocolate Quarter's Artist in Residence and event

organiser, Joe Tymkow, was very happy with Keynsham's first participation in 'The Big Draw':

"Anyone who zooms in on the map (thebigdraw.org/all-events) will see that as a result of taking part in the drawing festival the town of Keynsham has now become part of a global drawing event! At the same time it was very much a local community event.

Around 140 people came along (to the Chocolate Quarter studio) and drew, painted, cut out and pasted their artwork onto the huge sheets of paper. I'm not sure how many did the same in the library but each week we could see the artwork grow and get much richer and more varied."

The Big Draw Festival takes place annually during October and Joe is hopeful of staging several events throughout the year in the lead-up.

For more about the Big Draw, locally or internationally:

▶ thebigdraw.org

🐦 @DrawninKeynsham

📷 [drawninkeynsham](https://www.instagram.com/drawninkeynsham)



Photo Gig

Keynsham photographer, **Phil Riley**, brings his portraits of Bristol's music scene to Longwell Records

Throughout December, Keynsham music photographer, Phil Riley, will be exhibiting a selection of recent gig photography in Longwell Records on Temple Street.

The exhibition contains images exclusively from this year from across the Bristol area, ranging from small in-store performances from up and coming musicians like Billy

Nomates to household names like New Order from their sell-out gig at Lloyds Amphitheatre.

I use a variety of vintage and modified lenses to give an interesting perspective in an attempt to capture a musical performance

Riley is one of a small

number of talented concert photographers that shoot for the music section of Bristol 24/7 magazine. He told us how he achieves such dramatic photos and what the exhibition is to him: "I use a variety of vintage and modified lenses to give an interesting perspective in an attempt to capture a musical performance in the form of a still image. I like to think this collection is a portrait of the Bristol's music scene as it was in 2019"



Photos of gigs across the Bristol area



You can see the exhibition inside Longwell Records, Temple Street, Keynsham until the end of December.

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Comp**

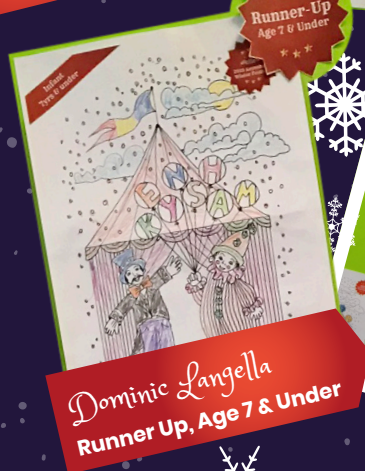
The Town Council received lots of entries to the Winter Festival colouring competition this year. The standard was very high and it was extremely difficult to pick winners. After careful deliberation, Cara Mosedale was



Amari Morris-Taylor
Runner Up, Age 7 & Under



Cora Mosedale
Winner, Age 7 & Under



Dominic Langella
Runner Up, Age 7 & Under



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Festival

Colouring Competition

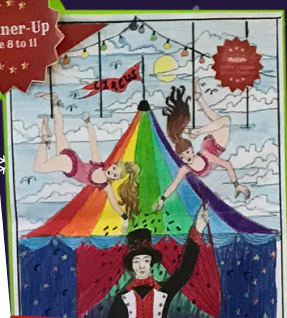
chosen as the overall winner. As part of her prize, Cara and her family were invited to ride in Chuffy the Train during the Winter Festival procession and switch on the Town's Christmas lights. You can still see all the 2019 entries in a display in the library lift foyer.

Runner-Up
Age 8 to 11

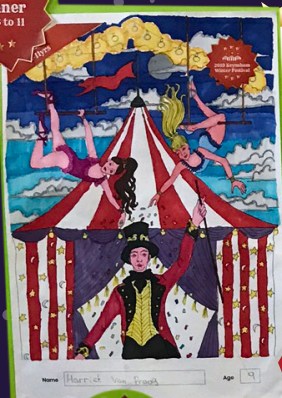


Kelly Baleson

Runner Up, Age 8-11



Winner
Age 8 to 11



Harriet Van Praag
Winner, Age 8-11



Runner-Up
Age 8 to 11



Sophia Adams
Runner Up, Age 8-11



2019 Keynsham
Winter Festival

Window Competition

Cocoa Hair Design were the overall winners of the 2019 Keynsham Winter Festival best-dressed window competition. Their 'mouse circus' design, complete with big top, mouse circus master, mouse acrobats and mouse clowns was also the winner of the Best Business Window, narrowly beating Bob the Dog into second place.

St Peter's Hospice were the winners of the charity category with Oxfam Book Shop finishing as runners-up.

The judges thought that all four windows had done a really great job of interpreting the 'Circus/Greatest Showman' theme of this year's Winter Festival.

Both winners and

runners-up were invited to a small ceremony in the Libourne Lounge, where they received their prizes from Festival Committee Chair, Cllr Dave Biddleston and Tony Pearson from Blackbeards Barbers, who sponsored the competition.

The Town Council were thrilled to see so many entries to the Window competition

Cllr Biddleston, Chair of the Winter Festival Committee commented: "The Town Council were thrilled to see so many entries to the Window competition with such a flair for

design. Judging was very difficult but Cocoa Hair Designs knitted mice were enchanting. The council would like to thank everyone who participated and to Tony from Blackbeard's Barbers who sponsored the prizes this year. We would like to encourage more shops to get involved next year to celebrate the ongoing improvements being undertaken to the High Street. Finally a very big thank you to the Members of the Winter Festival Committee, and all the Council staff, stallholders, businesses, churches and contractors who each year contribute to make this annual event such a special joyful and festive occasion."



Cocoa Hair
Winner, Business

Design
Business



St Peter's Hospice
Winner, Charity



Bob the Dog
Runner-up, Business



Oxfam
Runner-up, Charity





Oh Christmas Tree

St. John's Christmas Tree Festival returned to Town in early December

From Friday 6th December to Sunday 8th December St. John's Church played host to its Christmas Tree Festival. Over fifty local community groups decorated a tree, in a way that represents their members and activities, to display in the Church over the three-day event.

This year over 2,000 people visited over the three days of the festival

The festival included entries from Keynsham Rotary, In Bloom, Walkers Are Welcome, Girlguiding, Mencap and the Wombles (complete with 'rubbish' decorations) and visitors were also able to

enjoy some live performances by local musicians, throughout the weekend.

The event first started in 2012 and has become one of Keynsham's most loved Christmas events. This year over 2,000 people visited over the three days of the festival.



*Keynsham
In Bloom*

*Keynsham
Mencap*

Girlguiding
Keynsham



Keynsham
Wombles

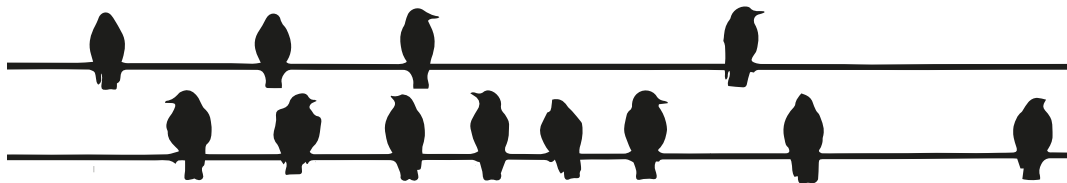


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Rotary



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WRW





Like a bird on a wire

Like a bird on a wire some may say I sit on the fence
There is no need for any aggressive defence
I am aware that negativity can only cause deep rooted pain
There are times two close friends can become cross
But recall the great times before all hope is at a loss
It is often fear & Judgement raising its ugly head
False Evidence Appearing Real at those times you need to gently tread
We all fear loss, not being heard or having worth
This is normal and happens in every corner of the Earth
For me there is only love though the depth does vary
I'm a peace loving Starseed little bit human but mostly fairy
So friends please realise sometimes in life your paths may part
But release the fear & loathing, instead hold only love within your heart
-I know many tales of many a maiden & Knight
Deep seated fear of loosing a close bond brings on fight or flight
Remember feelings & emotions are often reflected
Look deep within & realise the true reason you are affected
Please if it's possible to forgive do but maybe don't forget
That friendship that once was so strong is not over yet
"my words create a spell, may they work their magic well"

By Indigo Starseed



The **ASP Poetry Circle** meet at
Broadlands School on the 3rd Sunday of
every month (except in August)



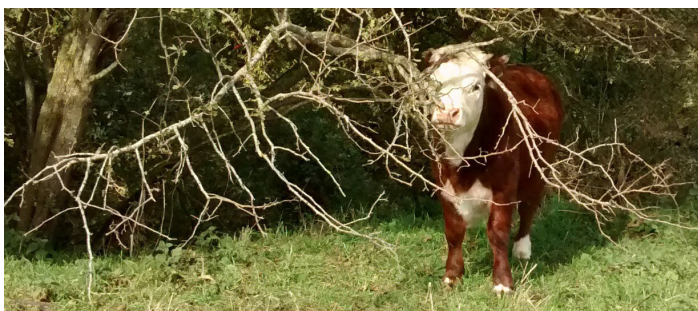
[www.totallymaracas.btck.co.uk/
ASPPoets](http://www.totallymaracas.btck.co.uk/ASPPoets)

Walkers are Welcome Calendar 2020

The Keynsham Walkers Are Welcome (WRW) group have once again released a calendar for 2020 featuring photos of Keynsham and the surrounding area.

The photos used were taken by members of the group and they include some brilliant landscapes, landmarks and wildlife images all taken on one of the group's monthly walks in the local area.

You can find out more information about the group, including upcoming walks on the WRW website: e-voice.org.uk/keynshamwalkersarewelcome



The calendars can be purchased in **Church's Newsagent** on Keynsham High Street Or you can email

✉ wrwkeynsham@outlook.com



Keep up with Julie's art:

Twitter @Artyouworthit_ Instagram @artyouworthit

Facebook @julieforsterartyouworthit

👉 jforster.wixsite.com/artyouworthit

Local artist returns to Keynsham

Local artist, Julie Forster, will be returning to Keynsham this January.

Julie's paintings are inspired by the world around us landscapes and seascapes to flower portraits and cities. In this exhibition, she'll also be presenting some of her 'Stories on Canvas' which feature narratives of people, and their lives, from around the world.

Entry to the exhibition is FREE and will be running in Keynsham Library from Saturday 4th January to Saturday 1st February 2020.

What's on

Woodworking Group

5-7pm | Every Monday during term time

Wellsway School

Our woodworking group is an informal group of mostly retired people with a common interest in woodworking. If you have a personal project or just want to give it a go or to develop your skills new members are welcome.

Contact Dave Vickery 0117 986 8331

Art Class

10am-12pm | Alternate Mondays

Fear Hall

Small friendly group, all abilities, with experienced teacher. £5.50 per session.

Call 07784 839781

Keynsham Creative Writers

2.30-4pm | 2nd & 4th Monday of the month

Keynsham Baptist Church

We are a small, friendly group and welcome new members of all abilities.

Contact George 0117 9148654
George.liddell@blueyonder.co.uk

Keynsham Machine Knitting Club

2-4pm | 2nd Monday of the month

Stirling Way Community Centre

We have two club machines to practice knitting. Help and tuition will be given to get you knitting again. We have at least four speakers/demonstrators a year. Come and join us, we are a very friendly club.

Call Margaret 0117 9865559

Saltford Floral Club

2.15pm | 4th Tuesday of the month

Saltford Hall, Saltford

Flower arranging demonstrations and workshops. New members and visitors welcome.

Contact Shirley Hobbs 0117 986 2924

Coffee & Craft

10am-12.30pm | Wednesday
Community at 67

Do you enjoy crafting or like to learn new skills or teach others? All types of craft welcome, help plan trips and demonstrations.

Clare 07737 742300 or
email community67@gmail.com

Keynsham Snap & Stroll

Wednesday mornings

Various Keynsham

We are a friendly and informal social group that meets weekly on Wednesday mornings. We spend time indoors, outdoors, take long and short strolls to discover Keynsham and surrounding areas through a camera lens.

You don't need any fancy equipment, If you've got a phone, tablet or camera and you want to walk, talk and take pictures, this group is brilliant!

Dates and venues are posted monthly on our Facebook page:

Keynsham Snap and Stroll

Or contact Max

T: 07581567911

E: outreach2@bathmind.org.uk

Or contact Philippa

T: 01761 438852

E philippa@creativityworks.org.uk

Keynsham Photographic Society

7.30pm | Wednesday

Fear Hall

Keynsham Photographic Society enjoys all aspects of photography. We have visiting speakers, competitions, sessions to share and discuss our own photographs and opportunities to view the best amateur work from the South West.

keynshamphotographicsociety.co.uk

Keynsham & Saltford branch of the British Sugarcraft Guild

7.15pm | 2nd Wednesday of the month

Wick House Community Hall,
Saltford

Cake decorating demonstrations, workshops for all to join in, please just come along.

Call Iris Seymour 01275 834233

ASP Poetry Circle

7.15pm | 2nd Wednesday of the month

Wick House Community Hall,
Saltford

If you enjoy writing, reading or just listening to poetry, then come along and join us.

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Avon Valley Artists

10am – 12 noon | Thursdays

Church Hall, Saltford Village

Avon Valley Artists are a longstanding group of like minded artists and currently have a few vacancies for new members. They paint in all mediums, although mostly in watercolour. All levels are welcome.

£25 per term (10–12 weeks)

T: 01761 472468

Saltford Sewing Group

Thursday afternoon

For clothes sewers of all ages and skills, sharing ideas and techniques and creating classic and unique garments.

Contact June 01225 872304

Painting for Pleasure

2–4pm | Thursday

Saltford Hall

Painting Group

Call Frances 01225 873773



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If you're involved with an art group or know about an upcoming performance/exhibition and would like us to include it in our listings then please email david@keynsham-tc.gov.uk



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