



Felixstowe Beach Hut & Chalet Association

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

will be held at the Trades and Labour Club, Walton

on Monday 20th June 2016 at 7pm

The meeting will be followed by a presentation by John Creswell of Felixstowe Coastal Patrol and Rescue Service

We hope that many members will attend.

Please let us know if you will be coming by emailing us
or ringing our Treasurer on 01394 274331

Our eight Committee members have all agreed to stand for election again
at the AGM. If any other member wishes to stand, please let us know.

If you have any items for the agenda, please send them to us.

**We are celebrating HM The Queen's 90th birthday on
Sunday 12th June**

**Committee members will be opening their huts and chalet from 10am
to provide tea, coffee and cakes to anyone who wishes to call in.
We will ask for donations which will be divided between Felixstowe
Coastwatch and Felixstowe Volunteer Coastal Patrol and Rescue
Service, which play a part in keeping users of the beach safe.**

**The huts taking part are at Manor End (No 9) Spa (No 39)
Undercliff Road (No 188) Brackenbury Cliffs (Nos 830 and 925) and
Bath Tap Chalet (No 14)**

The tide and strong winds on Easter Monday caused some serious erosion to the beach, especially in the vicinity of the Spa Pavilion. Some huts had shingle washed from underneath them which put them at risk of toppling over. We contacted Councillor TJ Haworth-Culf asking for assistance and she swiftly arranged for NORSE to bring in a JCB and re-profile the beach. We are grateful for the prompt way it was dealt with and highlights the benefit of the Association having a direct line of communication with Councillors so we can make representations on behalf of members when there is a potential crisis.

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On 3rd April several members got together and did a litter pick on the beach and promenade from the Pier to Manor End in support of the 'Clean for the Queen' campaign which celebrates her 90th birthday. Equipment was provided by Suffolk Coastal and several bags of rubbish were collected which included cans, bottles, plastic items, dog mess, cigarette ends, baby wipes and even a hypodermic syringe.



The happy band of beach cleaners

Ryan's of Ipswich, one of the companies that offer insurance for beach huts, donate £2 to a charity chosen by our Committee for every hut they insure. We chose the Felixstowe Volunteer Coastal Patrol and Rescue Service and they have recently received a cheque for £20. Many thanks to Ryan's.

Our vice chairman, Roy Gray, is hoping to arrange a display of old photographs of families on the beach or at their beach huts in Felixstowe for the Heritage Weekend on September 10th and 11th. If you have any hidden away in your loft or in an album etc. that you could let him borrow, please could you send them to him at 428 High Road, Walton, Felixstowe IP11 9QP.

Please put the names of the people in photographs in pencil on back or on piece paper, also your own name and address to which photographs will be returned.

Our Committee member Joy, and her friend Karen, raised £2344 during the winter by selling cakes and drinks from their beach huts at Manor End. Their last day was Easter Saturday when bacon sandwiches were added to the menu. The money has been given to Cancer Research UK, a really worthy cause. An amazing effort.

OK, so Christmas was some time ago, but here's a photo of the Association Christmas tree at the 2015 Felixstowe Christmas Tree Festival.



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A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 7th November 2016

OUR ANNUAL QUIZ NIGHT

Who will forget Barbara's music quiz last year?

This year Roy Gray will be the Quizmaster for a rather more
conventional evening's entertainment.

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**We are sending out invitations to renew your
membership for 2016 / 2017 with the newsletter.**

**Please encourage your neighbours to join the
Association if they are not yet members.**

It's still only a fiver a year.

We have over 350 members and would welcome more.