

ChapeltonNews



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Welcome from The Duke of Fife

The town has been a hive of activity over the summer months with notable developments in construction. We've also hosted a range of events bringing in hundreds of visitors and it's been a pleasure to welcome so many, particularly the new-comers.

It has been exciting to see the property mix on Bunting Place grow with ZeroC's ever-expanding offering bringing Chapelton's first flats to the market. Indeed some of these have already been purchased and will be occupied by Christmas. One resident is so at home here

she's made her first step on to the property ladder right here in Chapelton - and we're delighted that she's decided to stay.

The now prominent structure further up the hill signals visible progress from Brio Retirement Living, another exciting addition to the town's existing property mix.

The trend for new offerings in Chapelton doesn't stop there. We hope to be able to reveal more exciting news regarding new property types in the coming months. Keep an eye on the website for more information in the meantime.

Let's just hope the weather stays fair for all of you involved in the allotments. We can't wait to see people taking advantage of this new outdoor space readying their plots for planting come Spring to plant some winter vegetables which will be ready for harvest come spring.



News from the Town



The longer and warmer days have resulted in plenty of progress in Chapelton with the town adding new additions every week. Here is a roundup of some recent highlights.

Brio Showhomes Open

Brio Retirement Living has launched its first retirement showhomes in Chapelton.

The one-bedroom Campbell cottage and two-bedroom Fraser cottage, named after clans, provide prospective buyers with the opportunity to see what the new retirement area of the town and the properties have to offer.

Brio homes are now available to reserve off-plan and benefit from the village hub which contains a homeowner's club lounge, Slate & Grain Brasserie & Bar, fitness suite and 24-hour concierge service. For more information on the showhomes or to arrange an appointment, visit www.brioretirement.co.uk/contact

Liddell Park and Geocaching

Chapelton's first public park, Liddell Park, which is named after Scottish Olympic gold medallist Eric Liddell, is now open.

Located at the top of Greenlaw Road, the park has already become extremely popular with Chapelton residents and visitors, as well as children and staff from nearby Croft Nursery School who have been able to make the most of the green space and play area during the recent sunny stretch we've been enjoying.

The park is also home to Chapelton's latest outdoor pursuit - geocaching. A fun pastime of locating a small, hidden container with the aid of an electronic device equipped with GPS mapping, such as a smartphone or tablet. Geocaching offers participants, known as Geocachers, the opportunity to put their treasure hunting and problem-solving skills to the test.

Visit the Chapelton blog to read an interview with Chapelton resident and keen Geocacher Alastair Struthers as he discusses how all ages can enjoy the activity.



Allotments Now Available

Good progress is being made with the laying out of the allotments. A meeting of those interested has been held and a committee set up. Many thanks to Newtonhill Allotment Association for their advice and help. If anyone else is interested in applying for a plot please get in touch via info@chapeltonnewtown.co.uk

Summer Happenings



The spring and summer seasons have seen another flurry of events in Chapelton, with more scheduled for the coming months.

Walking with Wildlife

In May the Chapelton community partnered with Aberdeenshire Council's Ranger Service to offer residents and visitors an insight into some of the local wildlife that can be found on the town's doorstep.

Searching the Chapelton woodland planting, families scavenged for minibeasts in the long grass, gorse bushes and dry-stane Dykes, with species including slaters, slugs, beetles and bugs found hiding.

Summer Drinks Tasting

On Thursday 5th July 30 local residents gathered at the Brio Retirement Living sales suite to enjoy the town's second drinks tasting event. A mixture of fruit wine, cider and sparkling wine was provided by Cairn O'Mohr, a Perthshire-based producer and winery.

Attendees sipped a range of beverages, learnt about a selection of grapes from across the globe and sampled delicious summer canapés.

Residents will be able to enjoy a further selection of local and organic food at Slate & Grain Brasserie and Bar which is due to launch in the retirement village soon.

Fun Run

Chapelton's first 10k fun run on 15th July was a huge success with more than 250 runners taking part in the event.

Part road, part trail, runners of all standards began the race in the town before following a route past Elsick House. With entry fees going towards local schools and charities, a great total of over £2000 was raised from the event. The organising committee would like to thank everyone who took part in the race, spectated or volunteered.

Family Fun Day – Saturday 11th August

Run by residents, this dog centred fun day with face painting, storytelling and a community picnic in Liddell Park was enjoyed by residents and visitors alike. Raising money for Mrs Murray's Cat & Dog Home the event was a great opportunity for people of all ages to mix and mingle and enjoy the outdoor space which Chapelton offers in abundance.

August Bike Ride – Sunday 2nd September

The annual Chapelton Bike Ride is set to return for its third year on Sunday 2nd September.

Welcoming all ages, the fun-filled day offers participants the chance to take part in a 42mile route, a shorter 12mile route or a three mile walking trail which is suitable for younger children.

Food, drink and entertainment including live music will also be readily available with all proceeds going towards local charity North East Sensory Services. To find out more about the event including timings and entry fees, visit the Chapelton Facebook page or www.chapeltonbikeride.co.uk

A calendar of autumn and winter events will be revealed in the next issue of ChapeltonNews. If you would like further information in the meantime, email: CCIC_Admin@chapeltonlife.co.uk

Meet the Residents ~~RESIDENTS~~ PETS

Miniature Schnauzers Bertie and Ralphie

Bertie and Ralphie live in a ZeroC property in Chapelton. Here, they tell us why they're proud to call the town 'home'.



What are your favourite things about your home in Chapelton?

Bertie: We love our home in Chapelton. The spacious garden is great for roaming around in during the summer and on colder winter days we like to lie in front of the wood burning stove.

Ralphie: I like being able to lie in the sunlight in my owner's office. It's a lovely space for a mid-afternoon nap.

Do you visit many areas nearby the town?

Ralphie: We're always out and about. Our owners like taking us for walks in the woodland area close to our house but we also take trips to the beach in Newtonhill and Stonehaven. There are plenty of good sniffing spots there.

Have you met other doggy friends in Chapelton?

Bertie: Chapelton is full of lots of friendly dogs, and cats. We regularly bump into neighbours when out on walks but also all meet up once a week when our dog walker Jenna (Long Dog Walkies) takes us out to play.

Where is your favourite spot in Chapelton?

Ralphie: Apart from all of the great places to go on walks and our own garden, we like to stop by The Lounge when on a stroll through the town. The very friendly staff always make sure to give us a biscuit and a pat.

Bertie: I love going to Newtonhill beach. We're able to walk there from our house and the warmer days are great for playing on the beach with our friends.

If you would like to include your furry friend in an issue of ChapeltonNews or on the blog, send us a message on Facebook.

Having your say

You can find the latest news and share your views on Chapelton via our Facebook page and website:
www.chapeltonnewtown.co.uk



www.facebook.com/chapeltonofelsick

In the meantime if you have questions you would like us to answer, please get in touch at info@chapeltonnewtown.co.uk.

We will respond directly and print some of the answers in upcoming issues. People and their views are at the heart of the community.

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- Autumn and Winter Events
- Meet the Team: Laura Webster, AJC

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