

Triangle co-editor's report, Nov 2017 AGM

I am pleased to report that The Triangle continues to be very successful and well received. This coming issue we will print 415 copies so that number has grown steadily over the last 12 months, being about 370 a year ago. This increase is mostly due to the new houses in Slingsby at Cavendish Court and The Old Co-op site. We need to thank Keith for finding and visiting the newcomers!

In Spring we were lucky to have a new co-editor join us, namely Jo Bradley. Jo has now produced two issues and seemed to just take to the job as though she'd been doing it for years, so congratulations Jo on producing two excellent issues. Jo also does the distribution of Triangles round Cavendish Court. We hope you will continue as part of the team well into the future. We also have Kay Hill from The Green Crescent who joined us as a regular contributor, writing five articles about local people over the last year. So, thanks to Kay and, again, we hope she will continue as a 'roving reporter'.

Our Chairman has already mentioned Keith and Carol's departure and what a surprise that was to us all! Keith started The Triangle in 2010 and still has several jobs, despite not being editor any more. And of course, Carol is treasurer so altogether a lot of vacant slots need to be filled. We are pleased to report that Sarah Bowley, who has experience with spreadsheets, has offered to take over the role of Treasurer. Welcome Sarah and thank you for joining the team.

We are also fortunate to have four new recruits to the distribution team to take over one of Keith's jobs. These are Jo Bradley for Cavendish Court as mentioned above, Marcus Hodgson for Malton Road, Brendon Smurthwaite for Church Lane and 'Rupert Spaniel' for High Street. So, thank you to the four of them for offering to help take over Keith's distribution role.

Keith's 'advertising manager' role is to be filled by our newest recruit, namely Jo Breckon from Cavendish Court. I understand that Jo is going with Keith to do Triangle 43 collection and delivery to the advertisers next week and then we expect a formal handover will take place, so we are delighted that Jo has offered to help with this job. Welcome to the team, Jo and thank you for joining us. Joining the Triangle team is certainly an excellent way to get to know people, as I'm sure Jo Bradley will confirm. It's confusing now we have two 'Jo's' both with surnames beginning with 'B' and both living within 50 yards of each other!

The Newsletter began in 2010 as seven B&W pages. It has grown steadily over seven years and the last five Triangles have been 24 pages and all issues have had at least four colour pages. To keep our account viable the committee is proposing increasing the price from £5 per year to £6 per year. I hope you agree that this still represents excellent value for six Triangles, six Pinks and one Yellow Pages per year.

I would also like to take this opportunity once again to remind readers that we can only continue to publish the magazine in its present form if we have sufficient copy to fill it. So, if anyone is considering writing an article please do! Several people have over the last year. You can type it on computer, write it on paper or we can even write it for you.

Finally, please continue to support The Triangle. We keep an eye on the newsletters of surrounding villages and, even though I am a bit biased, I must say that in my opinion they are not a patch on ours, so let's keep The Triangle at its high standard and flourishing for another year. Thank you.

David Thornley.

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