

Lindsey Redstall, 1948-2018 and Martin Redstall, 1948-2019

By the time Lindsey and Martin moved from Grundisburgh in 1998, they had both made significant contributions to village life. In particular they were among the founders of Grundisburgh News, with Lindsey providing illustrations and producing many of the adverts, and Martin as one of the editors, writer and general prime mover.

They were both active in other spheres of village life too. Lindsey served as a parish councillor, as vice chairman at one time, and her skills as an artist and illustrator were used for many community publications. Martin was heavily involved with the purchase and conversion of the old school on The Green into sheltered housing, and in the Raise the Roof campaign to make the playing field pavilion more useable for village groups.

Martin left his mark on the village in another way – as a serial mover and house restorer. First it was the stables at Finndale House, then half the Old Rectory, before converting its ruined stable block into Ford House. His last conversion was turning the Half Moon from a pub into their family home.

After their move to Martlesham Lindsey kept up her village contacts by providing an invaluable service to several older Grundisburgh residents as a gardener and good friend.

Nicola Hobbs, the fortunate
successor to the Redstalls at
Ford House and the current
editor of The News