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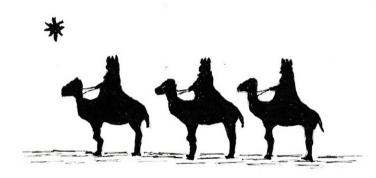
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HELLO THERE!

Last month I was given some very amusing 'Church Bulletin bloomers' by a dear parishioner and despite reading or hearing them many, many times I once again laughed out loud as I read them. I remembered this as we come into December which for many of us is all about a story we have all heard many, many times and yet I, and many parents and grandparents, will once again get great joy and pleasure in hearing and seeing the children retell the story of the first Christmas through their wonderful Nativity plays and fantastic Carol concerts.

We all know the story, we all know the baby, we all know what happened.... or so we think! Can I just throw in the fact that a donkey was never mentioned anywhere, neither were the actual number of kings stated, the stable was probably a cave and all the visitors did not turn up in a 24-hr period: thank goodness, I can hear all Mums saying! But putting those details aside (especially as none of them would enhance a Nativity play but just make it even harder to do) pretty much everyone knows the story around the birth of Jesus and yet, so few people allegedly believe in Him or God in general – a YouGov survey a few years ago showed that overall a third (33%) of British adults do not believe in God or a greater spiritual power of any kind which is roughly the same number as who *do believe* (32%). Splitting it into age groups the figures are more stark - only 25% of 18-24 year olds believe in a God, whereas the over-60s it was 41%.

So, what do <u>you</u> believe in? What your parents say or said? What your spouse says? What your teachers or employers say or said? What the newspapers or TV say? We are struggling here aren't we - there are few things that we can really trust, note I didn't bother including politicians!!! And how many of you have trusted implicitly or believed something for years and then someone came forward and gave you some evidence to contradict your opinion or belief. So, what can we trust? Well we can trust our feelings and beliefs – because they are your own, and you would be rather foolish to lie to yourself.

So, what do I believe? I believe that the shops start the build up to Christmas way too early, **I believe** I will be still wrapping presents on Christmas Eve, **I believe** I will probably need a tissue when I see my boys in their Christmas shows this year, **I believe** in true love, **I believe** I am doing the job I am meant to be doing, **I believe** in God. You may smile at some of these statements, but do you know what, they took me a while to think about. And I think they took me time because we are continually being told what we should think, what we should do and to some extent

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what we should believe....so much so that we have forgotten where we actually stand with some topics or what we truly believe.

Do you have to believe in God to come to church? No, no and simply no..... I will wonderfully welcome a huge number of people through the church doors this month for various events and services who don't normally come to church. Some apologise for not being more regular, some happily admit they haven't been in church since last Christmas. Whatever the reason I am just delighted that they are there — to wave at their child dressed up in a nativity outfit, to sing their favourite carol out loud or to cry and light a candle for a loved one. Because Christmas is all about presence, no NOT PRESENTS, presence!

I have the privilege to be a presence for those who are grieving and ill, a presence for those who are super-excited, a presence for the lost and lonely, a presence for families gathering together. For centuries the church has always had a presence in our country and I am proud to be that current presence in our community at this time for weddings, baptisms and funerals but it is particularly important at Christmas to be there for EVERYONE, and I really mean that.

I have had some wonderful conversations this year with people who defiantly do not believe in a God as well as those who are very confused about the whole thing. It was an honour and a privilege to speak to all of them. Because it is a unique opportunity — I mean how many vegetarians go and chat to a butcher and tell them that they don't eat meat or non-swimmers chat to lifeguards about their fear or hatred of water!

All my conversations are opportunities and so are yours - opportunities to show you are prepared to listen to different opinions, opportunities to show you care, opportunities to love your neighbour whoever they are and whatever they think and do. Surely that is what Christmas is all about?

This month, spread the Christmas cheer and use your opportunities in the best possible way – don't leave it to the Christmas Adverts, let's all do our bit, share peace and love to all and make our community twinkle that little bit brighter this year!

Wishing you a blessed and peaceful Christmas!

Rev Amanda

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MESSAGE FROM REV AMANDA COLLINSON

Do you know of someone who would appreciate a visit by the church? Or would you, yourself, like to meet and talk with someone from the church? Please contact me, via phone or email listed above: I would be delighted to meet with you, to bring communion to you if you cannot come to church, or to explore with you if you just want to know more about the Christian faith. I am always here for you – because that's what the church is about!

From the Parish Church Registers:

Baptisms

Jovi Kit Simmons 5th November 2017

Marriages

None

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None

For Baptism, Wedding, Funeral and other enquiries please contact Rev'd Amanda Collinson

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December 2017

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11.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

9th 10.00 am Thanksgiving service for bereaved families

10th 2nd Sunday of Advent saw them in NORTHWOOD NEWS!

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

11.00 am All Age Worship – Christingle and Toy Service (refreshments served from 10.30am)

3.00 pm Christingle service for baptism families (but everyone is welcome!

3rd Sunday of Advent

11.00 am Holy Communion

6.00 pm Carols by Candlelight (Mulled wine and mince pies served after the service)

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11.00 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

5.00 pm Crib Service

11.30 pm Midnight Mass

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31st1st Sunday of Christmas

11.00 am Informal Holy Communion

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DATE	CHURCH	BRASS	
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8th	Mr D. Hallam, Mrs S. Hallam	Pam Clements	
15th	Volunteers Required	Volunteer Required	
22nd	Mrs P. Lambert, Mr P. Lambert	Mrs M. Chick	
29th	Volunteers Required	Volunteer Required	

NORTHWOOD PARISH CHURCH SERVICES in St John the Baptist Church, Chawton Lane, Northwood

January 2018

7th 1st Sunday of Epiphany

11.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

14th 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

11.00 am All Age Worship (refreshments from 10.30 am)

21st 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

11.00 am Holy Communion

28th Candlemas

11.00 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

Church Cleaning Rota			
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12th	Volunteers Required	Volunteer Required	
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Road Issues

I received a lot of complaints about a car that was parked on double yellow lines near the incoming junction at the top of Oxford Street, broken down. Although Parking Services were very quick to put a ticket on it, there seemed to be no mechanism for getting it moved. I managed to speak to the owner, who was having genuine difficulties, and, eventually, we got it moved. I do feel that the mechanism when this sort of incident happens needs to be more robust, a/ to help people in difficulties, b/ to remove a hazard.

Obstacles and obstructions can cause nuisance and inconvenience, and one of the worst offenders in causing this are the Utility Companies, and many will know of my campaign to curb their activities by charging for duration and lack of quality. Well, now, it has taken a new turn, as it seems that such disruption does cause delay to our emergency services, and, if a road is closed unnecessarily (for no other reason than the convenience of the works), or left unnecessarily long, it not only puts patients at risk through delays and diversions that could be avoided, but it could be enough to skew our Ambulance performance figures and put us into measures as a result, and this, to me, is the last straw!

John Nicholson, Ward Member for Northwood & Cowes South Chairman of Policy & Scrutiny Committee for Adult Social Care & Health Committee cllr.john.nicholson@btconnect.com 07918 757843

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Northwood & Cowes South Ward Councillor's Report – November 2017

Health Service

At the beginning of November, I spent a day shadowing the Interim Chief Executive of the IW NHS Trust at St Mary's. I have, also, been attending NHS Trust Board meetings whenever I can, and having interim meetings with main service providers to receive briefings and updates for discussion regarding the Island's Health and Adult social Care service. It has been interesting and, sometimes, starkly revealing. However, for all our troubles, we have, I believe, the potential to pull out of these difficulties to become a beacon health service; we have the facilities, we have, by and large, the ability in skills and resources, and we have, a very loyal and conscientious staff. That is what I am hearing and seeing, but, for this transition to occur, we need excellent, innovative management, and that too, is what I am seeing beginning to form, it all quarters.

My personal impression is that we have that leadership in formation. Having been highly critical of our services, previously, I can, now, see real transformation, real focus of care for what happens to service users, a will to streamline processes to improve efficiency, delivery of good service and accountability. I have been most impressed by the frank and, sometimes, tough talking at the Trust Board meetings, and at other meetings from the directors of IW Council Services, that comes with an attitude that second best will not do. There is, as far as I can see, a new drive from management to involve their staff so that improvement is collaborate, and, instead of cuts and abdicating services to the mainland, look at ways of constructive inclusion, through use of competence matrixing through innovative employment and development of skills. During my years meeting to medical people, I have heard them comment on the potential that the Island has, through its integrated services and community, to develop an outstanding, even leading service.

We are hearing, at the moment, a legacy of some very bad stories of real life suffering and poor practice, that reflect on where we were, not where I see that we are now. As a Council and Scrutiny function, I see it that we have the duty and opportunity to support existing good practice, emerging and potential good practice and constructively criticise bad practice, to encourage accelerated progress on the path that I believe and hope that we are now on.

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NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT

(Eileen Turner-Palmerton)

At our last Residents Event for 2017 we had a very interesting talk from Dee, who is a Community Nurse from the Earl Mountbatten Hospice. She told us that anyone can go to the Cheverton Centre any time as they have a café and shop. They do a very good Sunday Roast!! She gave us a very good insight into the work done at the Hospice.

As stated in the last edition, our Christmas Lunch is arranged for Tuesday 5th December, 2017, 12.15pm for 12 45pm at the New Holmwood Hotel In Cowes.

We will not be holding our normal Residents Event in December. Our Events for 2018 are as follows-:

January 17th February 21st March 21st April 18th May 16th June 20th July 18th September 19th October 17th November 21st

These are at the Northwood W. I. Hall at 2.30pm. On behalf of the Northwood Community Partnership I would like to wish all Residents a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

The next meeting of the Northwood Community Partnership will be held on Tuesday 16th January 2018, 7.pm. at the Travellers Joy, Pallance Road.

If you are interested in helping us keep the different things happening in the Village, you are very welcome at the Residents Events or the meetings.

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COWES METHODIST CHURCH, Birmingham Road,

Cowes

SERVICES FOR DECEMBER 2017

10.30am ADVENT SUNDAY Sunday 3rd Mrs Phyllis Plumb

Sunday Mrs Jenny Dyer 10th 10.30am

CHRISTINGLE Saturday 16th 4.00pm

Rev David Plumb

10.30am CAROL SERVICE Sunday 17th

Sunday CHRISTMAS EVE 24th 10.30am

Rev David Plumb

25th 10.00am CHRISTMAS DAY - To be arranged Monday

Sunday Mr Howard Burford 10.30am 31st

Tea and coffee is served after the Services.

The SUNDAY SCHOOL meets every Sunday at 10.15 each Sunday and would welcome more young people to join them.

The LADIES' SISTERHOOD will meet on Tuesday 5th only for their Christmas afternoon. All welcome.

The FELLOWSHIP GROUP will meet on Tuesday 13th only for Carols and readings at 82 Wyatts Lane, Northwood.

On Saturday 2nd December 10am there will be a COFFEE AND CAKE CONCERT by the SIMON LANGTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOR BOYS CHAMBDR CHOIR. REFRESHMENTS 10am, CHOIR 11am. Retiring collection for Christian Aid.

The CHRISTMAS DISPLAY by local organisations will be from Thursday 7th to Saturday 9th, 11am-4pm and Sunday 10th 2-4pm with the ANNUAL To TOWN COUNCIL "LIGHTS OF LOVE" PUBLIC CAROL SERVICE for the Hospice on Thursday 7th at 6.30pm. Everyone welcome. Refreshments provided.



This is a report of the November 2017 meeting of the Parish Council. Matters Arising.

Parish Assets. During an inspection of the assets, it was noted that the metal benches have deteriorated and Cllr Ward has approached a specialist contractor to provide a quotation for the cleaning the benches. He is currently waiting for a response.

PCSO's Derek Howard and Steve Anker were present and gave a report on any local Safety Neighbourhood issues since the last meeting.

They referred to the November newsletter for Northwood and in particular, the preface from Sqt Ged Armitage, which set out the responsibilities and aims of the Cowes Neighbourhood Team (NPT) together with details of aims of the Cowes Neighbourhood Team (NPT) together with details of current police priorities. A meeting of PACT (Police and Community Team) was due to be held on the 8th of December at Cowes Library who the priorities would be reviewed and up dated. Two crimes had been reported in October compared with three for the same period last year. Mention was made of the new initiative to teach or improve the spoken Team) was due to be held on the 8th of December at Cowes Library when English of non-native born persons. This is due to start on the 7th of January at a cost of £3.00 per session. Cllr Nicholson highlighted his campaign attempting to control the inconvenience caused to motorist and the emergency services by utility companies digging up the road and then leaving it unattended for some time. Mention was also made about speeding around the Village and the inconsiderate parking.

Planning. Two applications were discussed. Particulars to be found on the minutes on the Village Notice Board. One was guite a complicated issue, too long for this publication.

A debate took place on whether we should have a Defibrillator in the village and the best place to position it. The Committee of the WI Hall will be approached to see if it could be located there.

Venner Play Park. It was decided to replace the Barrel with a Street Board, which will go in the same location.

A letter from Mr Ollie Boulter, Planning Team Leader, Planning Services, with regards to the "Call for Potential Sites" for a range of uses which would include Housing. The Parish Council recommend that the IW Council should seek to encourage the development of sites where planning permission had already been granted. There are part finished houses and plots in the Village.

Cllr Jaggar gave a report on the meeting of the Community Waste Forum held on the 19th of October.

We are still short of two councillors, and would ask anyone interested to contact our clerk.

Cllr John Pullen

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TWO VACANCIES

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MEETINGS

Meetings of the Parish Council are held monthly on the first Tuesday of the month, commencing at 6.30pm. The meeting of the Planning Committee, if required, is held on the third Tuesday of the month, commencing at 6.30pm

ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT NORTHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL, WYATTS LANE, NORTHWOOD

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND

SERVICES FOR JANUARY 2018

Sunday 7th 10.30am Mr John Yates

Sunday 14th 10.30am Ms Sheila Lanchester

Sunday 21st 10.30am Mr Ray Felton

Sunday 28th 10.30am COVENANT SERVICE

Miss Margaret Potts

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The SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 10.15am each Sunday and would like more young people to join them.

The LADIES' SISTERHOOD and FELLOWSHIP GROUP will recommence in February.

The Cowes Concert Band Present A Christmas Concert of Festive Music and Carols

All Saints' Church, Gurnard

Monday 4th December at 7.45pm
***Refreshments and Raffle ***

Admission is free but a collection will be taken in aid of the Church and Band funds.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
Christmas Fair
Saturday December 9th at 11am-3pm

Face painting by Jo Lofthouse
Lots of stalls including
Christmas Crafts and Cards, Cakes, Toys
Paintings and Prints, Preserves
Tombola and Raffle.
Tea and Lunches

1st NORTHWOOD SCOUT GROUP - SCOUT H.Q. Wyatts Lane

Beavers Thursday 5.45pm to 6:50pm Scouts Monday 7.00pm to 9.00pm Cubs Friday 6.45pm to 8.15pm

For more information contact Derek Finch on 292904

2nd NORTHWOOD BROWNIES meet on WEDNESDAYS

in the SCOUT HUT, WYATTS LANE from 6.00pm to 7.30pm. Brownies is for girls aged 7 to 10 years.

Please contact KATIE CHARLTON on 07980029398 or kjcharlton@hotmail.co.uk
WAITING LIST IN OPERATION

Give us a call on **01983 289717**Or email **northwoodplaygroup@onwight.net**

Places available for 2 to 5 years Funded places for 2, 3 &4 year olds Committed and caring staff A fun place to learn

OFSTED registered

Mornings: 8 or 9am—11:30am Lunch: 11:30—12:30pm Afternoon: 12:30—3pm Lates: 3pm—5:30pm Full day: 8 or 9am—5:30pm Term time only

Northwood Playgroup, Northwood County Primary School, Wyatts Lane PO31 8PU Northwood Playgroup is a registered charity (No: 1086436)

NORTHWOOD VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

There will be no meetings until the Spring, except for the annual Carrot Trophy Quiz, hosted this year by Gurnard on the evening of Wednesday 6 December.

For Schedules and further information please contact Janice Frohnsdorff on 01983 200143

Trinity Theatre Cowes Peter Pan

A traditional family-friendly pantomime telling a great story.

Performances:

at 7:30pm on Friday 1st & 8th December

at 2:30pm on Saturday 2nd, 9th

& Sunday 10th December.

<u>Tickets:</u> Adults £8, Children £6, Family £22 (2 adults and 2 children)

Buy your tickets by clicking on the button or call the telephone box office on 01983 295229.

The Robbie Williams Experience

Sunday 17th December at 7:30pm

Further information at www.caods.org.uk
Everyone Welcome

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NORTHWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next event is on Thursday 7th December at 2pm in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

CHRISTMAS MEETING

American Lunch followed by a Female Entertainer

COMPETITIONS: Christmas table decoration, Best Garden Bloom There is no meeting in January

HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRING

To hire the Hall please contact **Anne Jonas** on **295437** *Visitors & New Members are always Welcome*

COWES-DEAUVILLE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

This Association was formed in 1964 with a view to furthering social, cultural and sporting exchanges between the citizens of both towns.

Anyone with an interest in France and the French and who have, or have had, some connection with Cowes, Gurnard, Northwood, East Cowes and Whippingham are very welcome to apply for membership.

New members are always welcome

Chairman: Barrie Clarke 882334 Secretary: Barry Bates 296303

MEDHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next event is on Monday 11th December at 7.30pm in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

Annual Meeting
Entertainment: WIGHT UKAS

Competition: A Christmas Tree Decoration, Best garden bloom. Bring & Buy

REFRESHMENTS: Festive American Supper *Visitors & New Members are always Welcome*

CREEA - COWES RADAR EX-EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

The next event is on Wednesday 13th December at 12:30pm for 1:00pm

Christmas Lunch - Appley Manor Hotel, Ryde
For membership details contact Joy Ash on 01983 298731
or visit the CREEA webpage in the Local Groups section of the village
website where you can also download a copy of our 2018 Programme
and view photos of past events.

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