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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Sgt Mike Sizer, as the senior officer in charge of the Cowes and East Cowes Local Safer Neighbourhood teams was in attendance to address some of the concerns raised at the previous meeting with regard to the recent changes in personnel. Sgt Sizer explained that the changes in staffing resulted from an internal re-shuffling, undertaken at his direction and apologised for not attending the March meeting to explain the effect of this. He referred to the excellent reduction in crime rate statistics in the Cowes area. Following a question, Sgt Sizer advised that no one reason had merited the change, but through partnership working with other agencies, visiting schools, alternative schemes and community working rather than taking the perpetrator to court had all combined to achieve the successful outcome.

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It was queried as to whether officers' local knowledge had been lost due to the changes. Sgt Sizer reassured that was definitely not the case. In response to a further question, he confirmed that plans were still in place for the police station to eventually move into the Cowes Enterprise College, although no timescale could be given.

Mr Harvey, a Police Support Volunteer and a Community Speed Watch Coordinator for the Cowes / East Cowes area provided a brief outline of the new scheme that required volunteers island wide to identify vehicles exceeding the speed limit. After being logged three times within a 12 month period details of the owner would be passed to the Hampshire Constabulary who then might take further action. Three volunteers were required to man each location. They would each have undergone specialist training and have received high visibility jackets, wet weather equipment and monitoring equipment in order to undertake the task.

Cllr Ferris suggested that the bus stop near to the hairdressers along Nodes Road was perceived to be in a blind spot for both bus drivers and passengers waiting for the bus to Cowes. Cllr Bentley advised that he had recently travelled along this route in order to question some of the bus drivers, but no problem had been reported to him. The clerk also referred to the results of the Parish survey where this perception had also not been reported by any respondent.

A member of the public, who was present, advised that when waiting inside the bus shelter it was impossible to view along the road, making it rather unpleasant during inclement weather.

The IW Council had informed that due to the close proximity of the tight bend at the Four Cross junction, the bus stop was required to be situated by way of the lay-by in order to maintain the traffic flow along this busy section of road.

It was agreed that the Clerk writes to Island Roads, for their views.

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NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT

(Eileen Turner-Palmerton, Secretary)

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As stated in last month's Northwood News, we welcomed Mrs Mary Ellis as our speaker. She told us of her experiences as a pilot during the Second World War, delivering various aircraft to many airfields. When the pilots were given their assignment for the day, they had no idea of what make or model of aircraft they were going to deliver. It could be a Spitfire or even a Wellington bomber. They had basic training on five aircraft. The rest they had to look up in the book they were issued. There was no radio in the plane and the only navigation was a map they carried with them. They had to look out for places, such as railway lines and main roads to navigate their way to their destination. They had their own uniform and had to carry the parachute on their back. Mrs Ellis told us of one occasion she delivered a rather large plane and the Officer asked her where the pilot was. She replied that she was the pilot. He did not believe her and had the plane searched. He said that that particular plane took a crew of five people and could not understand how a female had managed the task. It was a very enjoyable talk and hopefully Mrs Ellis will visit us again.

At the end of March, the Partnership held the Annual General Meeting. This resulted in Ron Willis being elected as Chairman, Alan Chick as Vice-Chairman and myself as Secretary/Treasurer.

Our next Residents' Event will be on

WEDNESDAY 15th MAY 2013 at 2.30pm
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NORTHWOOD VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

NVPA will be holding its 68th Annual Show on Saturday 17th August, 2013 at the W. I. Hall, Northwood The classes include: fruit & vegetables, floral, cookery, preserves, handicrafts and children's classes. There are spaces available for any stallholders in the grounds. Anyone interested or would like a schedule, please contact Ron Willis, 3 Uplands Road, Northwood.

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MAY LETTER

Claire Whatley

When I sat down to think about what I would write about for this month of May many things came to mind. Firstly the festival of Pentecost (Whitsun), Ascension Day, May Day and spring cleaning (as the improved light shows up all the cobwebs). The Chelsea Flower Show is in May and the annual question of when can I put the plants out that I have managed to grow from seed and get the table back in my conservatory. And then there is the great weather debate, when to put out plants to harden off and where to put them where the Puppies cannot play with them. Then remembering to bring them inside in the evening,, whilst not filling the table up with various other things whilst they are out.

Then there is the double bank holiday planting debate. Do I rush to a large D.I.Y store and buy plants at the beginning of the month; resulting in even less room in the conservatory for a few weeks, or leave it to the end of the month when everybody seems bent on reproducing the show gardens of Chelsea? In a short space of time the 'relaxing' occupation of gardening becomes the centre of the fashion world, as people strive to make the ideal garden for the perfect family to relax in and grow vegetables that will feed a family In a small raised bed!

I must confess that this year (Last year really) I decided to give up some of the 'annual' fight and have planted some more rhubarb crowns and new raspberry canes, two things that we like to eat as a family and are not easily purchased. I would really like to grow lychees; as for the second year now we have been unable to buy our yearly treat of a box from an independent local retailer .I did get some pips to germinate one year, but failed miserably on the watering, which is probably just as well as I have been led to believe that they get quite big, take many years before they fruit sensibly and Roger moans enough about the plants as it is without me turning the back of the house in to an extension of the Amazon rainforest!

So how can I, trying to be a 'good' Christian deal with all these demands on my time apparently placed there by God and his creation, celebrating all these things and stay on the right side of sanity? The short answer is that by myself I cannot, but all the celebrations this month relate in my view to hope.

Although the mourning and confused followers of Christ did not know when Pentecost was going to happen, they remained faithful to the memory of Christ and had their hopes confirmed with the coming of the Holy Spirit. Like Christians throughout the ages they grew to know the freedom that a life following Christ promised. I am comforted that they did not wait individually, but as a group supporting each other in a terrible time of trial. Their hope was not totally groundless, as Christ had been seen since his death. Many people had reported seeing him, talking to him and sharing meals with him. A group of them witnessed his Ascension in to heaven and his return to his father.

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THANK YOU - MAY 2013

Well after 15 years this is my last Roger's Report. So I wish to say a very big **THANK YOU**

To the many Northwoodians who have been so supportive of me both as local IW Councillor but also to us both as villagers.

To all at the Parish Church of St John the Baptist including Ministers Graham, Roger, Lyn and Amanda and our long-serving Di Netherway; to Peter and Pat and Anne and Pete, Tressa and Iain and the "young" choristers; Sarah and Colin and to Harry and Audrey; Sarah and Den; George and Dorothy; Carol; Jacque and Patrick and all the regulars in the congregation; to our earliest friends including Mike and Valerie; Ron and Pauline, John and Pat; Anna and Peter; Barbara and Mick and all at Northwood Stores; Steve and Sara; June and Adie; Anne and Lardi; Ron and Hillary; David and Joan; Valerie W.; our fellow residents in Fieldway Crescent and Oxford Street; Pam W; Malcolm and Jill; Molly and Richard; Mary and Alan; Roger and Geoff from The Horseshoe and Derek, Ruth and Andy from The Travellers' Joy; June and Moss; Eileen and Colin; Norman and Paddy;

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May Day you might feel is the odd one out in the list as in recent history it has become a secular celebration and brings to my mind tanks being paraded through Red Square and a threat of war.

But if you look back far enough, May Day and even the actual month of May has strong associations with both Mary the mother of Jesus and his earthly father; (May 1st being St. Joseph the Workers Day) Some authorities argue that May is actually named after Mary herself, the May Queen a reflection of her presence as a queen in heaven with a crown of flowers. I think that the trust that both Mary and Joseph showed in God gives us grounds for hope today as we strive to lead lives that are led by our Christian values. Even those of us who would not claim to be Christians would I am sure have morals that in this country are strongly influenced by the writings of the Bible.

In pagan terms May Day is the first day of summer (Beltane) and I am sure that all of you who are reading this would not like the idea of the beautiful May Queen being sacrificed as part of the fertility rites that hoped for a good harvest and therefore survival through the winter to come.

As a Christian I can take comfort that I no longer need to make sacrifices as Jesus is the sacrifice.

You may have noticed that I have not mentioned spring cleaning. Well I suppose that I always hope that if I do it well enough that I will not have to dust again until Advent when everything gets moved around to try and accommodate all the trimmings of Christmas!

Claire

ALL SAINTS CHURCH GURNARD

FRIDAY MAY 17th 7.30pm Concert by
The Solent Singers with their guests
THE CHILLERTON PLAYES and Stewart Murray.

Raffle, refreshments.

St John the Baptist Church Keys

Church keys are now available from

NORTHWOOD STORES

Mon-Sat 5:00am - 7:00pm Sun 6:30am - 6:00pm

Please note keys are NOT available outside of shop hours.
Keys must be signed for and returned the same day.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRIEST IN CHARGE

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 Rev'd Amanda Collinson whose details are given above. Amanda is happy 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

Eva Lily Zephyr Smith Carter 6th April 2013
 Nicholas Robin Michael Newson 7th April 2013

Marriages

None

Died

Gwendoline Hicks 31st January 2013
 Stephen Prendergast 16th March 2013

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

FLOWER ROTA FOR MAY 2013

5th *Volunteers required*
 12th Sally Martin
 19th *Volunteers required*
 26th *Volunteers required*

PRAYER GROUP MEETING FOR MAY 2013

Tuesday 21st May 10.30am at 89 Wyatts Lane



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NORTHWOOD PARISH CHURCH SERVICES in St John the Baptist Church, Chawton Lane, Northwood MAY 2013

5th - Sixth Sunday of Easter

11.15am Holy Communion (BCP)

Acts 16:9-15; Revelation 21:10, 22 – 22:5; John 14:23-29

12th - Seventh Sunday of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

11.15am Family Service

Acts 16:16-34; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-end; John 17:20-end

19th - Pentecost

11.15am Morning Prayer (BCP)

12.15pm Holy Communion

**Acts 2:1-21; Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17(25-27); Psalm 104:26-36,
 37b [104:26-end]**

26th - Trinity Sunday

11.15am Holy Communion

Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

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CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR MAY 2013

| DATE | CHURCH | BRASS |
|------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 6th | Mrs P. Pledge Mrs Heather Light | Mrs J. Pearce |
| 13th | VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED | VOLUNTEER REQUIRED |
| 20th | Mrs E. Banks Mrs K. Welfoot | Jane Peakall |
| 27th | VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED | VOLUNTEER REQUIRED |