



# NORTHWOOD NEWS

May 2018



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Your free monthly magazine collated for you by Northwood church, bringing you news and events from the churches and organisations in and around the Parish of Northwood, Isle of Wight HELLO THERE!

I had the joy and privilege to speak to a great number of school children before the Easter about my faith and what Christians believe. Part of the conversations included talking about what was different when I was growing up and today.....it was highly amusing as the staff members and I recalled our childhood and told the children what we didn't have and what we played with (there were a lot of gasps!) and they introduced me to two new words that I had not properly grasped: the 'dab' and 'the floss'! To those of you who are just as confused as I was with these terms - Google them or ask your grandchildren!

Reflecting on those conversations with my husband later, we talked about the more profound differences from our youth and now. Most notably how we used to trust, without question, those in authority, be it the police, politicians or celebrities. In the last few years or so, that complete 'faith and belief' in these people and organisations has faltered, one by one, through revelations that have arisen: Jimmy Saville and the Child abuse trials, the Hillsborough Report, disclosures from the wars in Iraq and more recently Syria.

There have also been the terrible exposures of the charity workers who have abused their position of power and in some cases abused the very people they were sent to help.

And at the other end of the spectrum there are the many of us who have the day to day struggle of honesty with arguing children – you know that situation when you ask whose fault it was, and both children reply that it was the other child!

Pilate famously said, 'What is truth?' while questioning Jesus. Some theologians suggest these words were said in mockery, but others including the directors of the film 'The Passion of Christ' suggest that he was not able to make up his mind as to what the truth was and who was lying. I will be honest with you, that is kind of how I feel at the moment with the world we live in....

So what truths can we agree on? Well, we live in a relative safe and peaceful country. We have freedom to do pretty much what we want. We, in the main, have many more possessions than we need. We have free healthcare whether we have insurance or not. We have free education up to 18 years old. We can eat fruit and veg outside their normal season of growth in the UK. We can buy virtually anything on the

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internet if we have the money, or credit. We can travel wherever we want to go, whenever we want to .....

Whether we are struggling in one way or another, or currently having a good life, we are still more fortunate in numerous ways than so many, many people in the world. That is the truth. So, what should we do with that truth itself? Well, first of all be thankful for what we have. Secondly considering giving something to those who are less fortunate. To those of you who already give regularly - thank you on behalf of the charities you support, but to those who do not or those who would wish to give more can I highlight to you the good work of Christian Aid.

Christian Aid week falls during this month and once again we as a church will be supporting this great charity. Working for those in need for nearly 70 years, Christian Aid works in 37 countries around the world. Most importantly 85p of every £1 given is used for direct charitable purposes. The remaining 15p is invested in fundraising. For every £1 they invest, they secure more than £7 in return.

They support people like Marcelin who lost his home and livelihood when Hurricane Matthew hit Haiti in September 2016. He now lives in an old concrete shower block, a tiny space he shares with his 3 teenage daughters. There are no windows or doors, and the only furniture is a single bed that the girls sleep on. Marcelin gets up every day at dawn to work the land but he's struggling to support his family. The changing weather frequently destroys the food he grows, and his family often go hungry. He can no longer afford to send all his children to school and is unable to save any money for a new home. Your donation could help Christian Aid to build him a home that is more likely to survive. Of the 700 houses they built after the 2010 earthquake, just one needed to be repaired after Hurricane Matthew.

<sup>P</sup> Whilst we know that times remain tough, with your help and support we can make life changing differences to people – every penny will count and  $\frac{P}{P}$  will be much appreciated.

So, as we continue to struggle with truths in today's society, remember to hold on to the certainties of your lives, whatever they may be and if you can help others to have some firm foundations in their life, be it a home or simply hope for the future, do it. Whether it is through a donation to Christian Aid or just being a good neighbour, you are making the dark world we live in a little bit brighter and for that I thank you.

#### **KEY CHURCH PERSONNEL — NORTHWOOD**

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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!

#### Northwood Parish Church Plant Sale will be held on Saturday May 12<sup>th</sup> 2018 In the Church grounds or inside if wet between 10.00am and 12 noon Any donations of plants would be gratefully received. please bring at 9.30am on the day **Refreshments and Bring & Buy** All proceeds will be in aid of the Church Organ Fund Free Tea and Coffee will be served

Northwood Church COMMUNITY COFFEE AND CHAT on Thursday 10th May 2018 At Northwood Scout Hut 2pm-4pm Why not come and join us for a **free** cuppa and bring a friend

You will be most welcome

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

May 2018

6<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter 11.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

## 13<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

11.00 am All Age Worship (refreshments available from 10.30 am)

20<sup>th</sup> Pentecost

11.00 am Holy Communion

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11.00 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

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our Because of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) that will take effect in tell the UK in May 2018.we can no longer announce Baptism, Marriages and Deaths Please in the Northwood News we are very sorry

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

#### Would you like a flower arrangement made in memory of a loved one. or for an anniversary?

Each week flower arrangements are made and put on the altar window at Northwood Church. If you would like one made in memory of a loved one or for an anniversary/ special occasion this can be arranged in exchange for a donation to cover the cost of the flowers (minimum donation £5)

For further details please contact Sally Martin on 295416

#### 6 COWES METHODIST CHURCH, Birmingham Road, Cowes

SERVICES FOR MAY 2018

Sunday 6	10.30am	Mr Bob White Carisbrooke Priory
Sunday 13	10,30am	Miss Shirley Whittingstall
Sunday 20	10.30am	Mr Phillip Dixon
Sunday 27	10.30am	To be arranged

Tea and coffee are served after the services

The Sunday School meets at 10.15am each Sunday and would welcome more young people to join them.

The LADIES' SISTERHOOD will meet at 2.30pm on Tuesdays 8th and 22nd May. All ladies very welcome to join in our fellowship.

The ALTZHEIMER CAFE will meet on Wednesday 9th May, 2-4.30pm, when all are very welcome.

There will be a "NEW TO YOU" FASHION SHOW on Wednesday 23rd May from 7.30pm raising funds for the ISLAND HOMELESS and CANCER RESEARCH. Tickets £3 available on the door.

#### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 13-19 MAY 2018

This year Christian Aid week is the 13<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>. As the last two years of collecting has been so successful via envelopes in the Parish mags we have decided to continue with this format. So please find a Christian Aid envelope within this magazine. To make your donation you can either drop your envelope or money in one of the buckets in the Northwood Store or in Northwood Post Office (Pallance Road) or the church itself.

Visit the village website: Supporting Christian Aid makes a HUGE difference – whatever your amount, it could be life changing or even life saving. Thank you so much, in advance, for supporting this fantastic charity.

St John the Baptist church, Northwood

reside here, about their needs, frustrations, resources and aptitude. The enthusiastic new management at the Travellers Joy is holding Meet your Neighbour Thursdays, where people that live in the area come to the pub to meet others who also live nearby and that they may not have spoken to before. Tea and biscuits are provided. and some participants now bring homemade goodies to share with their new friends. How great is that!

Of course, the Community Partnership perform a similar function, and have brought people together for years, to great benefit, as does the Parish Church, too. And, INEWS there may be other organisations, such as Age UK, who draw on members of our community to help and selflessly associate with others, that also bring people together to make friends and do useful things to help each other and the NORTHWOO community, and I would like to know about them too, so that we can communicate, link and raise awareness of all the good works that makes Northwood quite a moving community.

You cannot beat human contact, getting out and talking to people, and when one of ⊆ the smartest companies in the Country, that brings people together and gives them E what they want as their business, decides that human face to face contact is still the ž best, better that uncontrolled remote media, then that is a statement that reaffirms that our humanity is the most important asset that we have, and we should use it more, that if other process does not serve, it does not serve, and that we must never forget the real value of real human contact and interaction, whether in business or that in community, and when we do, it is enough to cause all sorts of problems that in a less politically correct society would be called what they are - lack of healthy advertisers perspective!

With best wishes to all ...

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#### Northwood is Moving

People remain in and move to Northwood because they like its surety. its guietness, the fact that nothing much changes. When I go around speaking with people, they tell me that they just don't want things to change - but, Northwood is moving!

Some, at this point, may start to question my sanity (it wouldn't be for the first time, nor would they be the only ones – I do it myself at times!), but do bear with me. There is no such thing as standing still, for if you do the rest of the world moves on, leaving you behind, so, in effect, you are move backwards – a fact certainly very apparent in business, particularly in recent times.

So, thinking that you are standing still, that change is not happening, is a delusion. What is that thing about illusory effect – the more sound you think you are can be testament that you are not, and the more you question yourself, the more sound you become? The message being that if you think you are stood still you are not seeing all the movement that is passing you by.

This inherent blind spot is a really significant point for me, and I have been explaining to colleagues, experts in their field, who have a vision but cannot understand how others cannot see the same, that you cannot expect someone to understand that which they have little or no concept of. Everything that we see and understand is a representation in our minds, a representation that is interpreted through our experience, understanding and values; what is real to one person may not hold the same form of reality to another, especially if their experience and values are different.

Visit the village website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and events So, what am I talking about, with all this? Well, I see Northwood as a sleeping giant potential, it has a wonderful population, with many talents and potentials that generally go unappreciated, except by a very few, and, largely all too little. We also have a wealth of businesses, ranging from the likes of our very own enterprising Milky to firms that operate in large arenas, even on a national or international scale, all contributing to employment and the economy in their own way. But, like the person who believes that things are standing still, we, as a community know very little about these resources on our doorstep, or even the assets that lie within our own population. Whether it is business or community, the same applies.

But, as I say, Northwood is moving. The sleeping giant potential is stirring. Northwood is starting to wake up and realise its potential. The Parish Council has signed up to pilot a Regeneration initiative that will tell us about the businesses that **NORTHWOOD NEWS!** .⊑ them saw advertisers that you our Please tell

#### All Saints' Church Gurnard **Community Choir** Spring Concert Friday May 18th 7pm Raffle, Refreshments

Free Admission Retiring Collection in aid of the Church and Choir

#### **Coffee Morning**

In aid of Church Funds On Saturday 26th May 2018 from 10.00am to 12noon In St John the Baptist Church Chawton Lane Northwood Stalls – Cakes – Raffle – Bring & Buy All Welcome

#### Cowes Heritage Open Day Thursday 17 May 10 am - 12 noon

and again on the same day at 6 pm - 9 pm at The Portacabin, Three Gates Road Business Park. As well as being able to browse our comprehensive range of archived material, this FREE event offers you the unique opportunity to view some of the large collection of rarely seen local material compiled by the late Charles Taylor, well known Cowes historian (known to all as Charlie)

Thanks to a £778,400 Heritage Lottery Fund grant, the iconic Grade II Listed **Yarmouth Pier** is now being restored, scheduled to re-open in July 2018. Yarmouth Pier has a fascinating heritage and the **Friends of Northwood Cemetery** is delighted to host a talk about it by Dr Ruth Waller on Tuesday 8th May 2018 at 7:30pm.

Yarmouth Pier is the longest wooden pier in England and has been open since 1876 but if we **Pier into the Past** there are tales about it going back beyond its opening to Mesolithic Mariners, Roman Traders and Medieval Merchants.

This illustrated talk will take place in the **Heritage Resource Centre** (West Chapel) also restored by a Heritage Lottery Fund grant. There will be refreshments and a retiring collection.

The evening is open to everyone - particularly to those who have not yet visited and seen what the restored Northwood Cemetery has to offer.

#### **Volunteer Required**

We are looking for a volunteer who could deliver 27 Northwood News in Newport Road from Medham Lane to Somerton Farm for 10 month a year (No January of August) If you can spare the time and are willing to help please ring Peter Lambert 01983 526385

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and much more

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

#### **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: Andy Waters 297694 Secretary: Barry Bates 296303

#### NORTHWOOD VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

The next meeting is Friday 11th May, from 2-4pm in the Garden Room at Gurnard Church. It will be a social meeting and plant swap.

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

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

#### **Trinity Theatre Cowes**

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30pm at Trinity Theatre, Cowes. Community Quiz in aid of Layla's Trust. Teams of 4, £3 per person. To book a table, email <u>quiz@caods.org.uk</u> or call 01983 295229. Everyone Welcome.

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#### NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT

(Eileen Turner-Palmerton)

At our last Residents Event we had a very interesting and instructive talk by Mr. Mark O'Sullivan, from Age UK Isle of Wight. He told us about the work that the Volunteers are carrying out on the Island. Many are visiting the elderly and people who cannot get out, helping with shopping and tasks they are unable do at their homes. They also take people out in cars for a treat or to go to the Doctors. There is a gentleman who will come out to your home to give help and explain about the use of a computer or I pad. If you would like to find out more of the work of Age UK and the Good Neighbours Scheme, please contact them on 01983 525282

We would very much like to see more Residents come along to our events,

have a cup of tea and meet up with old friends or even make new friends.

Our next Residents Event is on

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WEDNESDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2018, 2.30PM.at the Northwood Village Hall Future events will be as follows:-

June 20<sup>th</sup> July 18<sup>th</sup> September 19<sup>th</sup> August 15<sup>th</sup> October 17<sup>th</sup> November 21<sup>st</sup>

These are all held at the Northwood Village Hall (formally known as the W. I. Hall) at 2.30pm.

\if you need transport to come along to join us, please phone 292060 or 282242.

The next meeting of the Northwood Community Partnership will be held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May 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 Partnership meetings. 12

Maintenance Matters – Mr T Hewitt of Follow Your Dreams has been appointed to prune, maintain and improve the six gardens of the Parish Council and Mr A Timbrell has been appointed to reinforce the footings to and much more. the Northwood Parish and Community notice board, in order to prevent further rotting below ground level.

Review of Local Government Ethical Standards – The Parish Council considered a consultation document from the Government which wanted Visit the village website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and events to assess whether the existing regimes were conducive to high standards in local government. In its response the Parish Council recommended that Local Authorities should have the ability, when members had breached the Code of Conduct, to be able to have that councillor dismissed and also that stronger practices should be established to ensure that town and parish councillors should be sanctioned when found to have breached the Code of Conduct.

Date of the Annual Meeting of the Parish and the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council - It was confirmed that these two meeting would be held on 1 May 2018.

#### Cllr David Jaggar



### **NORTHWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE** The next event is on Thursday 3rd May at 2pm in the Northwood Village Hall. RESOLUTIONS **Competitions:** Pretty cup and saucer, Best Garden Bloom 24th May—Birthday lunch at New Holmwood HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRING To hire the Hall please contact Susan Whittle on 651967 Visitors & New Members are always Welcome **MEDHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE** The next event is on Monday 14th May at 7.30pm in the Northwood Village Hall. **Resolution Meeting** Quiz Competition: Show & Tell!, Best garden bloom. Bring & Buy **REFRESHMENTS:** Tea & Cake (Valerie S & Jean C) Annual Meeting at Northwood House Wednesday 23rd May **CREEA - COWES RADAR EX-EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION** The next event is on Thursday 10th May at 2:30pm My Art, My Life — Maria Ward For membership details contact Joy Ash, 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. New Members are always Welcome NORTHWOOD FLORAL ART GROUP The next meeting is on Monday 28th May at 7.30pm in the Northwood Village Hall. Roval Weddina



Tea/Coffee and Cake £1.00 Membership is £18.00 per year Visitors & New Members are always Welcome Please contact Sally Martin on 01983 295416

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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

Agendas and Minutes are available at www.northwoodparishcouncil.org

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Report of the April 2018 meeting of the Parish Council

Co-option – There are still two vacancies for councillors to be filled and anyone who might be interested to become a councillor is asked to contact our clerk (clerk@northwoodparishcouncil.org). Please also see our website (www.northwoodparishcouncil.org)

Local safety neighbourhood issues – three crimes had been reported during March, the same number for the same period last year. These related to one theft on or near to Somerton Business Park, one assault near to Newport Road and one incident of criminal damage on or near to Greenways.

in NORTHWOO Venner Avenue Recreation Ground – the new piece of play equipment eB was still awaiting an installation date having regard to the recent adverse Ţ weather. It was hoped that better weather conditions would enable the saw. equipment to be installed later in the month.

Planning Matters - The Parish Council noted that the IW Council had approved a hay barn and feed store at Skinners Farm, Pallance Road and advertisers also the re-siting of the access with associated hard standing and landscaping on land adjacent to Rose Cottage, off Pallance Road.

Parish Council's Emergency Plan – A Working Party has been set up to undertake a full review of the current Emergency Plan in order to bring it up to date. It was suggested that the document should be renamed as the Please t Northwood Community Plan.

Isle of Wight Day – The IW Day Working Party have been asked to consider various proposals to celebrate over the weekend of 22/23 September the IW Day 2018 in Northwood and report back to the Parish Council with their recommendations.