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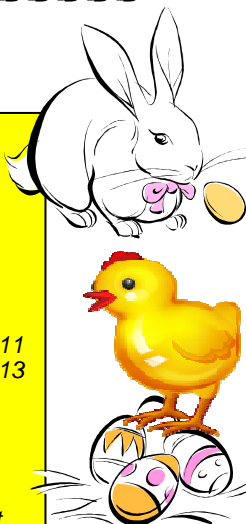
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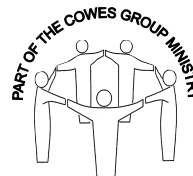


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SPEAKER: NOEL STIMSON - "Titanic - Conspiracy or Cover-Up"
 For membership details contact Mary Mead on **01983 298154**
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The next meeting is on Thursday 7th April
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SPEAKER: PAUL ENGLAND - "Astronomy"

COMPETITIONS: Decorated egg; Best Garden Bloom

BIRTHDAY LUNCH: Thursday 14th April in the New Holmwood Hotel, Cowes.

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GUEST SPEAKER: DEREK SPRAKE - "HMS Fidelity & the Chale Commandos"

COMPETITION: Nautical Item; Best Bloom

REFRESHMENTS: Tea & Biscuits - (Shirley & Paddy)

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SPEAKER: ADRIAN SEARLE

Isle of Wight Memories

COMPETITIONS: Childhood Photo; Corsage or Buttonhole

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COWES HERITAGE AGM - 2011

The Annual General Meeting is on Tuesday 19th April at 7pm
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Following a short AGM there will be an illustrated talk
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MEETINGS

Meetings of the Parish Council are held 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.

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PARISH COUNCIL ROUND-UP

At the meeting of the Parish Council on 1st March 2011 the following matters were covered:

Planning Application TCP/30062A Northwood County Primary School.

Mr D Miller, a local resident and parent of a child attending the school, addressed the Parish Council referring to his email setting out a number of concerns and suggested planning conditions to mitigate the effects of the additional traffic that the application would generate and the resultant safety risks. Mr T Cawley, a parent of two children attending the pre-school and a member of their committee also addressed the Parish Council, circulating

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outlines indicating the detrimental effect that the proposed siting of the mobile classroom would have, specifically on the grassed area currently enjoyed by the pre-school. Mr Cawley also highlighted that no consultation had been undertaken with the pre-school, which neighboured the school and was a tenant on the school ground.

RESOLVED:

That this Parish Council raises no material planning objections to the application TCP/30062A Northwood County Primary School but request that the following suggestions be taken into consideration prior to any approval of the application:

- THAT due to the implications of this application it should be decided by the Planning Committee rather than by officer delegation;
- THAT full community consultation be undertaken, most importantly with all users that share the school site and nearby and neighbouring residents;
- THAT a full assessment be undertaken of the effect of losing such a large part of grass area, which would cause such a huge loss of an important amenity value to the pre-school and consideration be given to other options for positioning the mobile classroom that would be perfectly adequate and more preferable;
- THAT conditions be applied to enhance and provide traffic related improvements to minimise congestion at the beginning and end of the school day, arising from the extra traffic anticipated and increase in staffing, i.e.
 - Establishment of a drop-off zone (no parking, no waiting) to allow parents to drop-off children on the pavement next to the school field, without needing to park;
 - Marking access protection bars (delimited white line) adjacent to those residents' driveways close to the school;
 - Provision of additional staff parking spaces on the school site (Potential to utilise the triangle of land between existing car park and footpath ramp)

COWES, NORTHWOOD, GURNARD COMMUNITY TRANSPORT FORUM

It was noted that there had been a positive response for volunteer drivers, with 20 drivers volunteering their services so far.

In discussion, councillors raised a number of questions:

- Why the 9.00am Wight Bus was due to be cut, with effect from 1st April - Cllr P. Fuller agreed to try and ascertain the reason;
- The branding of the buses – It had been indicated that one bus would be branded and used only for school runs;
- The appropriateness of using volunteers – Southern Vectis were in the process of recruiting permanent staff;
- Personal Liability insurance – This was covered under the policy held by Southern Vectis

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FURTHER BIG TIDY UP EVENT

THAT arrangements be made for a further Big Tidy Up to take place on Saturday, 9th April commencing at 10.00am on the Venner Avenue Play Park. This is a great opportunity to make a simple but worthwhile contribution, so please try to make the effort.

LOCAL CRIME Cllr John Pullen

Although last month had again been a very quiet month with no criminal damage or anti-social behaviour reported, particular mention was made of the following:

An opportunist burglary by way of entry to a dwelling in Wyatts Lane through an unlocked rear door. A burgundy handbag had been stolen holding a pink purse containing a small amount of money and credit cards. The homeowner had been in when the burglary had occurred.

A non-dwelling burglary had been attempted from 3 metal storage containers and two vans on the industrial estate. The only item stolen had been a metal pole.

An attempted theft had taken place at Northwood Garage. CCTV had showed the attempt to remove tyres from a Subaru car, when it appeared the thieves had been spooked by passing traffic.

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There have been thefts from unlocked cars in Gurnard, Northwood and Cowes.

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NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT

(Eileen Turner-Palmerton, Secretary)

The Residents Event, held at the W.I. Hall on the third Wednesday in each month, continues to grow and flourish. It has certainly helped to build friendships, given a chance to enjoy some good company and given a good reason to be away from the house from 2.30 - 4.30pm. The next date for your diary is **20th APRIL 2011**.

For those with mobility issues, transport remains available at no cost (phone 01983 292060 or 01983 282242).

Best of all, the application made to the Cooperative Community fund was successful. With no statutory funding for the Community Partnership, this award ensures the Residents Event can continue for many months to come.

It is hoped that during the summer there will be an opportunity to enjoy an afternoon's trip to an Island attraction. Where exactly, will be the residents' choice.

MARRIAGE OF PRINCE WILLIAM and KATE MIDDLETON

To mark the Royal marriage, there is to be a Village Party organised in association with the 1st Northwood Scout Group. It will be held in the grounds of the Scout Hall in Wyatts Lane on **Saturday 30th April 2011 from 2pm - 8pm**. All villagers, their families, visitors and guests are invited. Details are still in the course of being finalised but at the time of going to press they include:

Games for all ages. Fancy Dress.

Bouncy Castle. Competitions. Entertainment.

Bring a Picnic and a chair or blanket to sit on.

BBQ facilities and hot & cold drinks available.

Partial sponsorship has already been obtained
but the more there is the more can happen on the day.

This is a wonderful opportunity to share in this 'one-off' Event.

Come along to the Scout Hall grounds on the 30th April.

Bring everyone with you and enjoy the day!

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*Rita Goddard, Lay Minister
c/o The Rectory, Chawton Lane, Northwood*

Last summer I took my nine-year-old god-daughter to the local tourist attraction – Butterfly World. Having had a special interest in butterflies for some time, she was fascinated to see the eggs, the caterpillars and the beautiful butterflies. She was even more interested when one of the Staff told her about the whole process and showed us things we might have missed, had he not walked around with us.

I was reminded of this event last week when a friend sent me a beautiful film clip on the internet entitled *The Butterfly Circus*. It is an American production possibly set in the early part of the twentieth century contrasting the Butterfly Circus with other touring circuses as they travelled around remote rural areas. These other early circuses often housed sideshows exploiting humans who were deformed in some way.

I am assuming *The Butterfly Circus* was different in that all those who took part had been transformed from some difficulty in life into doing something which brought pleasure to those who came to watch the circus. A violent man used his strength in a positive way. A prostitute cared for the child born to her in addition to performing beautiful movements on the trapeze. The butterfly egg becomes the caterpillar which then becomes the chrysalis which gives way to the beautiful butterfly. These circus performers had their lives turned around through believing in themselves, experiencing the love and care of their fellow performers and receiving the affirmation of the audiences who were thrilled by their actions.

The film focuses on a limbless man who, having heard day after day a sideshow Manager telling people that even God had turned his back on him because of his disability, believed it for himself. After joining the Butterfly Circus and with encouragement from the owner the limbless man attempted and achieved many new things. Eventually, by performing in the Circus, he encouraged others who were far less disabled than himself. The transformation in him and his life was amazing and beautiful to see.

Towards the end of April we shall be celebrating Easter, an occasion when God transformed the darkness of Good Friday into the beauty of Easter Sunday. Jesus' disciples and others thought their world had fallen apart when they witnessed his death upon the cross. Three days later they literally couldn't believe their eyes when the resurrected Jesus appeared before them.

The Cross is evidence that God has not turned his back upon anyone. Rather, as the gospel of John states "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life." (John 3:16)

If you have access to a computer and twenty minutes to spare, you may like to watch the film for yourself:

http://www.dailymotion.com/video/xbw2dd_the-butterfly-circus-2009_shortfilms

This would be far better than relying upon my inadequate description.

Meanwhile, I wish you all a very happy Easter.

Rita Goddard

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SUPER SOUP LUNCH

Just a reminder of this Christian Aid event at the W.I. Hall on Friday 25th March from noon to 2pm. This is part of a nationwide charity event to raise funds to help end world poverty. The cost is £2 or whatever donation you can make and I understand the soup will be home-made and the rolls freshly crusty! If you read this after the event has taken place, Jill will be pleased to accept your donations at 21 Oxford Street. Thank you.

REFUSE COLLECTIONS

The I.W. Council is proposing to improve the Island's recycling rates and is now consulting upon the relevant proposals. Briefly, they involve continuing with the present weekly and fortnightly collecting arrangements but refining these by collecting food waste and other organic waste e.g. vegetable peelings etc. weekly as at present but expanding the fortnightly collections by including recyclable items such as tins and plastic bottles along with the usual newspapers, magazines and cardboard. To accommodate these extra recyclables, a new improved collection bin will be supplied.

The importance of increasing the Island's recycling rates is reflected in the financial penalties imposed if we fail to increase these rates. For example, for 2011/12 we expect a landfill tax if we carry on as we are of around £320,000. This would double to over £600,000 the following year and would climb to over £1m unless we put less waste into landfill and more into recycling.

I am sure residents will understand these pressures and will help with these new proposals to reduce any additional increase in the rate of council tax.

NORTHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

The planning application for the new classroom block for year six has been advertised. The siting will affect part of the playgroup summer play area and ongoing discussions are underway between playgroup representatives and the School to reach an agreement on the way forward. I have been asked to assist in this regard and have in turn briefed the Leader of the Council who is also the responsible Cabinet member for School Reorganisation, to ensure that the Council plays a full part in delivering appropriate accommodation for the start of the new school year in September.

Concerns about traffic management principally in Wyatts Lane have been raised by parents and I am particularly grateful to Dave Miller for his expert input into identifying areas which will need addressing by a specific transport plan. These matters are now being fully considered by Highways but if any local resident wishes to comment on possible traffic/parking problems arising from the larger pupil roll at the school from September, please do not hesitate to contact me as per my usual contact details or Highways direct.

STOLEN HYBRID TEA ROSE BUSH

This was dug up and removed recently from the front garden of a bungalow in Oxford Street (not mine). If anyone saw this happening or has any suspicions about this theft, please do not hesitate to contact me or the police who have been informed. This follows the theft also from Oxford Street of a prized potted shrub from a nearby front garden last year.

CONTACT ME

As usual I am available to deal with any residents' questions or suggestions by telephone, email, letter or personal by-appointment visit, details of which are printed above - you only have to ask!

Best wishes

Roger

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REPORT - APRIL 2011

WIGHTBUS SERVICES 30 and 32

I anticipate at the March I.W. Council meeting submitting with Cllr Paul Fuller the two Petitions to keep these services. We are particularly grateful to Jacquie Pearce for her work in obtaining 122 signatures for the Petition relating to the No. 32 service.

As I reported last month, Southern Vectis are offering to provide a replacement service for these local routes provided sufficient local voluntary drivers will come forward to be fully trained free of charge. This programme is being organised by our Parish Transport Working Party chaired by Cllr John Pullen who will be reporting further on this in his Parish Council report. The extremely good news is however that already 24 volunteers have come forward for the Public Vehicle Licence training. It is I am sure still not too late for anyone else to volunteer; sex and age is basically not a barrier! Active pensioners might well consider a new career!

Also the new service will be registered so the Concessionary Fares Scheme will apply.

COWES LIBRARY

The library will now be open for a minimum of 24+ hours per week from 1st April, full details of the opening hours should be published around the time you read this Northwood News. It will continue to be run and fully funded by the I.W. Council. However, Cowes Town Council are still actively considering playing a role in developing the hours of opening and the way the library responds to the demands of our local community. The Town Council are asking for anyone who would wish to volunteer to help with any improvements to this local service to contact the Assistant Town Clerk Jane Randall at janerandall2000@yahoo.co.uk

I expect to be able to report more fully on this in the May Northwood News.

CHURCH LANE/CORONATION AVENUE

There have been considerable problems with muddy conditions along Church Lane caused by the wet winter weather and vehicular use, mainly by Southern Water carrying out repairs to the pumping station near the junction with Coronation Avenue.

I have received complaints that some motorists have used part of Church Lane to access Newport Road via Coronation Avenue adding to the messy conditions. I must remind residents that Church Lane is a registered footpath and must not be used by motor vehicles except for those few residents who have properties at either end of the lane, plus Southern Water for repairs to the pumping station.

I have arranged for gravel to be laid in the worst parts of the lane to assist accessibility and will ask for more should the persistent wet weather return.

In the meantime I am still waiting for the chain across the lower end of Coronation Avenue to be re-affixed.

PALLANCE LANE

Following requests I have arranged for this lane, with its propensity to accumulate fallen leaves each winter, with consequent poor road conditions for both walkers and motorists, to be completely mechanically swept and I have asked that these winter problems are dealt with regularly each year.

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C o f f e e M o r n i n g



In aid of Church Funds
 on **Saturday 9th April 2011** from 10.00am to 12noon
 in St John the Baptist Church, Chawton Lane, Northwood
STALLS ~ CAKES ~ RAFFLE ~ BRING & BUY

All Welcome!



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 15th - 21st MAY 2011 - HELP WANTED

We are in need of volunteers to help deliver and collect the Christian Aid envelopes during Christian Aid Week 15th-21st May 2011. This involves delivering an envelope to each house and then collecting the same envelopes at a later date.

There are seven rounds where we need help, listed below with the approximate number of houses in each round:

Cowes Road - 59; Oxford Street - 64; Venner Avenue - 63;
Horsebridge Hill - 93; Greenways/Greenways Close - 57;
Uplands Road/Fieldway Crescent - 70;
Wroxall Close/Lower Venner Avenue - 33.

If you think you can help please contact Peter Lambert on 01983 526385.

WANTED - EDITOR FOR NORTHWOOD NEWS

Is there anyone in the Northwood or surrounding area who might like to take over as Editor of Northwood News?

I feel that the time has come for me to give up being the magazine editor, so if there is anyone out there who has some spare time, perhaps a few days per month (but not July or December) please get in touch - details are on the back page - and I will give more details of what it involves.

Ideally the person should be comfortable using Microsoft Publisher or other DTP software, and willing to upload articles to the village website.

Thank you

Alan Welfoot, Editor

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, GURNARD

There will be a concert by the popular **TRITONE SINGERS** (one of the best choirs on the Island) on Saturday 2nd April at 7.30pm.

Free entrance, Interval Refreshments

Retiring collection for church and choir funds. It will be a great evening.

EASTER WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN

Good Friday 22nd April

Come along and learn about the Easter Story and take part in craft activities.

There will be a Drama Workshop for older children and teens!

Suitable from four years old (under-sixes must be accompanied by an adult)

9.30am - 11.30am - pick up at 11.45am

GURNARD VILLAGE MAY QUEEN FESTIVITIES

Sunday 1st May (Beer Festival in afternoon, Barn Dance in evening)

Monday 2nd May afternoon - May Queen Procession and Fete.

Beer Festival, Barn Dance and Fete in Spencer's Field, Tutton's Hill.

Times and more details next month.

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MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

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 let Lyn know or contact one of the Churchwardens whose details are given above. We're 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. We are always here for you - because that's what we're about!

From the Parish Church Registers:

Baptism:

ISAAC WILLIAM BAKER on 6th March 2011

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No Marriages

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We remember in our thoughts and prayers those who have died recently, remembering especially their families:

ROBERT ALFRED ATTRILL on 18th February 2011

KATHLEEN FLORENCE JESSIE DUNFORD on 25th February 2011

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For Baptism, Wedding, Funeral and other enquiries please telephone  
 The Rev'd Lyn McRostie on 01983 298370



### FLOWER ROTA FOR APRIL 2011

3rd, 10th & 17th - LENT - Flowers not required;  
 24th - PAT LAMBERT



### PRAYER GROUP MEETING FOR APRIL 2011

Tuesday 19th 10.30am at 89 Wyatts Lane



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## NORTHWOOD PARISH CHURCH SERVICES in St John the Baptist Church, Chawton Lane, Northwood APRIL 2011

### 3rd - Fourth Sunday of Lent - MOTHERING SUNDAY

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP)

11.15am **FAMILY SERVICE**

*Readings: Exodus 2.1-10; Colossians 3.12-17; John 19.25b-27.*

### 10th - Fifth Sunday of Lent - PASSION SUNDAY

11.15am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP)

*Readings: Ezekiel 37.1-14; Romans 8.6-11; John 11.1-45.*

### 17th - PALM SUNDAY

11.15am **MORNING PRAYER** (BCP)

*Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9a; Philippians 2.5-11; Matthew 27.11-54.*

### 24th - EASTER DAY

11.15am **HOLY COMMUNION** (CW)

*Readings: Jeremiah 31.1-6; Acts 10.34-43; John 20.1-18.*

### 1st May - Second Sunday of Easter

11.15am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP)

*Readings: Acts 2.14a, 22-32; 1 Peter 1.3-9; John 20.19-31.*

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### ELECTION OF CHURCHWARDENS

The Annual Meeting to elect the Churchwardens will be held at 12.30pm on Sunday 10th April at Northwood Church. This meeting is open to all registered electors in the parish. It will be followed immediately by the Annual Church Meeting, open to those on the Church electoral roll.

### CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR APRIL 2011

| DATE | CHURCH                     | BRASS                     |
|------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1st  | <b>VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED</b> | <b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b> |
| 8th  | <b>VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED</b> | DOROTHY PIMM              |
| 15th | MOLLIE & RICHARD ELLIS     | PAM WIMPENNY              |
| 22nd | PAT & PETER LAMBERT        | MARY CHICK                |
| 29th | <b>VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED</b> | <b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b> |