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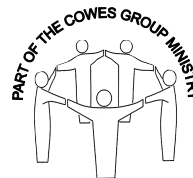
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For membership details contact Mary Mead on **01983 298154**
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 where you can also download a copy of our 2011 Programme
 and view photos of past events.

New Members are always Welcome

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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.

**ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD AT
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The comments made in the following articles represent the views of the individual contributors, rather than Northwood Parish Council.

PARISH COUNCIL ROUND-UP

At the meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 5th April 2011 the following matters were covered:

The Premises Licensing application submitted by V-Dub Island for the weekend of 19th-21st August 2011 had been granted, with some modifications.

Planning applications for 42 Oxford St, PO31 8PT (TCP/30130/A) and 67 Green Lane, PO31 8QG (TCP/30407) had been given conditional permission.

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That a donation of £100 in support of the Royal Wedding Celebration being organised at the Scout Hut on 30th April be approved. This should be a very worthwhile event and all are welcome.

It was resolved that C&K Watering be commissioned to undertake the watering of all plants and troughs in the village for a period of 18 weeks, starting in May. To date, this task has been carried out by a group of volunteers, to whom we owe our heartfelt thanks. However, it was decided that this was not sustainable in the longer term and more formal measures should be put in place.

In response to the recent spate of cold calling activity, it was suggested by Cllr Colin Cramp that a formal approach be made to Mr Andrew Turner MP, with the request that he consider introducing a Private Member's Bill in Parliament making cold calling a criminal offence.

Cllr J Pullen confirmed that WightLink had agreed to the Wight in Bloom scheme for 2011. On behalf of the Parish Council the Northwood in Bloom working party had submitted a written expression of interest in taking part, and a claim for the allocated floral credits. Cllr Pullen also expressed his pleasure in the decision to contract an outside organisation to manage the watering of the plants and troughs in the village.

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD REPORT FOR NORTHWOOD

(John Pullen)

There have been a few incidents in March including theft from a garden and damage to the W.I. Hall.

A plant was stolen from a garden in Oxford Street recently, this was a Hybrid Tea Rose Bush. This follows a similar plant theft from a garden in the same area last year. The police have been informed.

A resident in Fieldway Crescent had a bamboo "spear or arrow" fired at the house, with such force it stuck in the cladding on the property. A silly and potentially dangerous act. The police are aware.

A window in one of the toilets in the W.I. Hall was broken, by what appears to be a stone thrown at it.

There was a spate of thefts from cars in the Cowes, Gurnard and Northwood areas, and PC Mark Thomas has reported the arrest of a person and the recovery of quite a few items. The police are anxious to trace the owners of the property and ask that anybody who has lost items should contact them.

Cowes Police have set up a Local Action Group which meets every two months. The group is made up of Neighbourhood Watch, Businesses, Youth Groups, Schools, and any other interested parties. Matters of concern are brought to the group and 3 priorities are set for action.

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I am pleased to report that speeding in Pallance Road has been given priority and the police and council will be looking at this over the next few weeks. The Parish Council is very concerned about the amount of Cold Calling in the village and we need people to report any incidents, past or present, so that we can seek to stop this annoying problem. Please contact me with any information you may have.

I have a small supply of *No Cold Calling* window stickers if anybody needs one. Ring **01983 281250** if you are interested in the black and green recycling bins.

Do not forget Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**. You do not need to identify yourselves and the calls are not recorded.

THE ISLAND PLAN (Cllr Pat Bentley)

The Island Plan has now been made available for public viewing on the council's web site. This is an important document, and one of which we should all be aware. It sets out the council's policy and strategy in terms of future housing provision and land use. Included in the annexes are maps showing all the areas identified as suitable for the provision of housing, with comments on their suitability.

DO NOT PANIC when you see large areas designated for development.

These are areas that have been identified as suitable for development, they still have to proceed through the planning system in the normal fashion. The planning process is itself currently undergoing substantial change in the form of the Localism Bill, which is being moved through its various Parliamentary stages at the moment. There will no doubt be considerable change by the end of the process, so conclusions will have to wait until the process is complete.

To view the plan, go to the following address:
www.iwight.com/living_here/planning/Planning_Policy/Island_Plan

Should you have problems gaining access, or wish to know more, you can contact me on 01983 248287 or by email at pat.bentleyready@gmail.com

The consultation documents are open from 15th April-27th May 2011

An interesting fact: The government has set aside £1billion for the New Homes Bonus where the local (in our case, Unitary) Authority would receive funding equivalent to 6 years' council tax, plus an additional £350 per dwelling for affordable housing. This started on April 1st, and means that an area that accepts 1000 new homes could expect to benefit from around £10million pounds over a 6 year period. However, this should not be taken as foregone; it is simply an indication of the ways in which Government are attempting to encourage new building and infrastructure.

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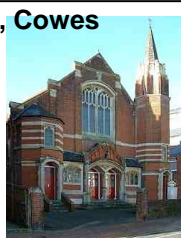
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Sunday	15th	10.30am	Mr Peter Tilley
Sunday	22nd	10.30am 6.30pm	Mr Alan Pullinger UNITED CIRCUIT SERVICE at Newport Methodist Church
Sunday	29th	10.30am	Rev'd Malcolm Stinton



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The Church is holding a **COFFEE MORNING** on Saturday 21st May from
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This will be a chance to meet up with old friends and teachers, and see how the school has changed since you were there!

Stay for the evening to listen to ex-pupil bands and singers, and enjoy a BBQ or Hog Roast (obviously there will have to be a charge for the food and drink).

We are looking for:

- Memorabilia to display around the school (photos/examples of work/stories and memories of the school, teachers, friends, school trips etc.)
- Ex-pupils/staff bands or singers who will be able to perform during the late afternoon/evening.

Please contact the school if you have anything we could use, if you would be able to attend the evening's entertainment, or if you would like more information - we would like to have an idea of approximate numbers for the evening event.

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NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

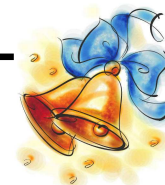
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**NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP
IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE NORTHWOOD SCOUT GROUP****ROYAL WEDDING 'PARTY'**

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from 2-8pm

in the

Scout Hall, Wyatts Lane



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*John Garrett, Lay Minister
c/o The Rectory, Chawton Lane, Northwood*

Spring came early this year; about two weeks early, judging by the profusion of dandelions in flower in early April, as country winemakers say they should be at their best on St Georges Day, April 23rd. And we had some beautiful weather to go with the early Spring. We have a little peach tree, and on one warm afternoon I took a paint-brush and made sure that it was properly pollinated, because you can't rely upon insects to do it that early. I also did the same with our two young apple trees, as I had seen very few bumble bees about; we shall see in due course whether my efforts were successful.

Spring was early, but Easter was late; the latest it will be for the next thirty-odd years. It is what is called 'a moveable feast', its date dependent on the phases of the moon and how they change. Because of the extreme regularity of the motion of the moon we can work out the date of Easter for any year we choose, as far ahead as we like. The best we can do with our seasons is a stab at the weather for the next five days!

The earth's motion around the Sun is equally constant, so we can visit Stonehenge on the summer or winter solstices (Midsummer or Midwinter) and see the Sun in the first case rising, and in the second case setting in exactly the same place as its builders did thousands of years ago!

But those thousands of years are a short time compared with the length of time since the 'Big Bang', and the distance between us and the Sun tiny in comparison with the depths of the Universe, as Professor Brian Cox so beautifully demonstrated in his recent TV series. We were shown the nearest stars, the Alpha Centauri system, about 40 + 12 noughts km. or 4.35 light-years away. Then he showed us that we are sitting near the edge of a great disc of millions of stars – a galaxy; and finally blew our minds by showing us that there are millions of galaxies in the universe, the most distant so far back in time that we see them soon after the Big Bang itself!

These numbers and distances are so huge that they become totally meaningless to me, as are the lengths of time involved. This is quite a problem for some; our little lives seem so incredibly brief and insignificant in comparison with them, so out of proportion that they feel their faith threatened. Our knowledge of the universe is so different from that which our ancestors had only a few hundred years ago that they feel it difficult to believe God went to all that trouble just so that we can have our brief time here.

Astronomers say that it's probable that our world is not as unique as we might believe, and therefore neither are we. But can we really understand what the Universe is about; astronomy involves huge times and distances, and the strangeness of matter when examined at sub-atomic sizes with its 'quarks' and 'bosons' is equally baffling; and then there is 'string-theory'! I cannot cope with all this! From quarks to peach blossom, from the beauty of spring to the multitudinous glories of deep space, all is mystery, and I am prepared to take God on trust, as the Mysterious Ground of our Being.

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and need not be separately bundled.

Comments can be made by email to WasteCollectionConsultation@iow.gov.uk or by post to Waste Consultation, County Hall, Newport, PO30 1UD. I will be pleased to discuss any issues arising from the consultation with residents via my usual contact details.

In the meantime with public holidays upon us changes have to be made to collection days. However the only changes to our local collections will be that Wednesday and Thursday the 1st and 2nd June will be collected on 2nd and 3rd June respectively, i.e. the day following the usual day.

HIGHWAYS P.F.I.

This exemplar scheme to deliver a highways network fit for the 21st century has been the subject of some ill-informed comment in recent weeks.

May I urge residents who perhaps did not see the whole page article in a recent County Press to access:

www.iwight.com/highways-pfi/docs/CountyPressBriefing29March2011.pdf

The Council continues as the local Highway Authority to progress this important milestone for Islanders which will prove a significant driver for our economic future prosperity. Back issues for the 29th March are usually available direct from the County Press. As usual I will be pleased to discuss any concerns you may have through my usual contact details.

TRAVEL TO ST MARY'S HOSPITAL

NHS Isle of Wight has announced a consultation until 13th May on arrangements for travel to and from the hospital because it has recognised there are significant travel and transport issues for patients, visitors and staff. The consultation document discusses a number of transport options and seeks views on a variety of questions and issues. In particular car parking has been a problem despite the introduction of charges in 2002 and a significant increase in the number of spaces in 2004.

The consultation covers car parking and car sharing; cycling; mobility scooters and motorcycles; patient transport service; public transport; voluntary car services and pedestrian access. The consultation document can be downloaded from www.iow.nhs.uk/yoursay. Copies can be requested by email to travel@iow.nhs.uk or by writing to Travel to Hospital Consultation, St Mary's Newport, PO30 5TG. I hope residents will find the time and interest to respond.

COMMUNITY BUS SERVICES

Following an agreement between the I.W. Council and Southern Vectis, replacement services for our local Wightbus routes will be operating from the beginning of September when the present Wightbus services will cease.

This has been made possible by the Council funding replacement buses by paying a sum to represent the amount of concessionary fares expected to be payable on such routes and by the use of volunteer drivers (of which I hope to be one) delivered by a scheme initiated by Northwood and Gurnard Parish Councils and Southern Vectis and now being copied across other Island parishes.

The routes will be registered and all concessions presently operating will continue. We are presently in discussion with Cowes Town Council and Southern Vectis about possible helpful changes to the present routes 30 and 32 about which further information will be published by all parties concerned over the next month or so.

Best wishes to all

Roger

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REPORT - MAY 2011

PLANNING

The I.W. Council has recently started a six-week consultation process ending on 27th May as part of the Island Plan Core Strategy to provide evidence that our Plan has sufficient suitable land on which residential development could take place between now and 2027. The Council has recently identified sites across the Island for consideration for this purpose. Several of these have been included for Northwood as being deliverable over the next five years.

However, this does not mean that those listed have been actually allocated for development, only that they can be considered for this, subject to the consultation exercise, central government approval and then the actual planning application with further public involvement.

Full details, including a map showing sites offered for consideration are available to view, download and comment at www.iwight.com/corestrategy. Paper copies can be viewed at Seaclose Planning Office or County Hall Reception and at Newport and Cowes libraries.

Comments can be made via email to planning.policy@iow.gov.uk or by post to Planning Policy, I.W.C., Seaclose, Newport, PO30 2QS.

I hope residents will fully avail themselves of this important opportunity to comment and therefore influence the local housing provision for our area between now and 2027 and particularly over the next five years. There are several sensitive proposed sites including behind the west side of Wyatts Lane and the field behind Harry Cheek Gardens, part of which has been designated as a Village Green and also the land behind the Scout Hut. I am particularly concerned about the sites on our rural western boundary which importantly defines the rural nature of that village boundary.

I will be making strong representations against the inclusion of those sites and would urge local residents who have similar concerns to make their views known. I would be pleased to discuss these issues with residents via my usual contact details. In addition, the Parish Council will I am sure be making its own comments.

WASTE COLLECTIONS

As many residents will be aware, the I.W. Council is consulting on proposed changes to our waste collections. Due to new swingeing penalties imposed to deter putting waste into landfill sites which could amount to as much as a million pounds over the next three years if we do not considerably reduce landfill tonnage, more waste must be recycled. Full details can be obtained online at www.iwight.com/wasteconsultation. In addition two public information sessions will be held in the old public health building immediately behind County Hall on Wednesday 27th April from 4-7pm and on Thursday 28th April from 10am-1pm.

Briefly the proposals maintain our weekly collections for food waste and add extra recycling materials to the usual fortnightly collections of glass and paper. This will now include tins and plastic bottles etc., clothing and packaging. All of these recyclables will be placed in a wheeled container larger than the present black box

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PLANT SALE

A Plant Sale will be held on **Saturday 7th May 2011** in the grounds of Northwood Church, Chawton Lane (or in the church if wet) between 10.00am and 12 noon. Any donations of plants would be gratefully received; please bring at 9.30 am on the day.

There will be a **BOOK STALL, RAFFLE** and **REFRESHMENTS**. All proceeds will be in aid of the Church Organ Fund

WANTED - EDITOR FOR NORTHWOOD NEWS

Readers of Northwood News may know that I feel the time has come for me to stand down as Editor. Unfortunately I have not received any response to last month's appeal, nor to the advert in the County Press, so it will be a pity for Northwood News to disappear after so many years.

So if there is anyone out there amongst the 1,330 households to whom we deliver NN who has some spare time, perhaps a few days per month (but not required in July or December) please get in touch - contact details are on the back page - and I will explain what it involves, and give ample instructions and advice where necessary, for as long as is required.

Thank you

Alan Welfoot, Editor

UNWANTED WOOL - WANTED!

If you have any unwanted knitting wool would you please consider donating it to

Mrs Cole, 39 Wyatts Lane, Northwood ~ Tel: 01983 281341
 who will put it to good use in aid of the **RSPCA**. *Thank You!*

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, GURNARD DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

All Saints Summer Fair on Saturday 4th June at 2.30pm in the Church grounds (or in Church if wet) - all the usual stalls and attractions - more details next month.

GURNARD OLD ENGLISH MAY FAYRE MAY BANK HOLIDAY, SPENCER'S FIELD

Sunday 1st May - **BEER FESTIVAL AND BARN DANCE**
Beer Festival 1pm-6pm ~ Free Beer Tasting ~ Traditional Bar Games
Barn Dance 7pm-11pm - Caller Ian Watterson - Live Music from **The Crew** - Tickets £5 (Includes £1.50 Food Voucher) available from Gurnard Newsagents & Londis.

Monday 2nd May - **MAY QUEEN PARADE AND FAYRE**
 starts 1pm from Solent View Road followed by Fayre in Spencer's Field - for a fun-packed afternoon, including Bouncy Castle, Sedan Chair Races, The Church Cake Stall, Hospice Cup Cakes and Bric-a-brac, Burgers, Ice Creams, Maypole, entertainment from Bloodstone Border Morris, plus lots, lots more!

ALSO ...

Gurnard Village Cottage Garden Society Plant Sale and Coffee Morning Saturday 14th May 10am - 12noon at Gurnard Village Hall.
 Final Gurnard Primary School Spring Fayre includes "Celebration Of the School" with memorabilia and old photos etc., Saturday 14th May 1.30pm - 4.00pm.

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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:

No Baptisms

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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.

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

### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2011

is from Sunday 15th May until Saturday 21st May.

*Please give as generously as you can to this very worthwhile cause.*  
Would anyone who does not wish to contribute money  
please respect the volunteer who has kindly given up his / her time,  
and just say, "No thank you".

### FLOWER ROTA FOR MAY 2011

1st & 8th - **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**;  
15th - SALLY MARTIN;  
22nd & 29th - **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**.

### PRAYER GROUP MEETING FOR MAY 2011

Tuesday 17th 10.30am at 89 Wyatts Lane



## NORTHWOOD PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

in St John the Baptist Church, Chawton Lane, Northwood  
(unless otherwise stated ★)

### MAY 2011

#### 1st - Second Sunday of Easter

11.15am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP)

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

#### 8th - Third Sunday of Easter

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP)

11.15am **FAMILY SERVICE**

*Readings: Zephaniah 3.14-end; Acts 2.14a, 36-41; Luke 24.13-35.*

#### 15th - Fourth Sunday of Easter

11.15am **MORNING PRAYER** (BCP)

12.15pm **HOLY COMMUNION** (CW)

*Readings: Acts 2.42-end; 1 Peter 2.19-end; John 10.1-10.*

#### 22nd - Fifth Sunday of Easter

11.15am **HOLY COMMUNION** (CW)

*Readings: Acts 7.55-end; 1 Peter 2.2-10; John 14.1-14.*

#### 29th - Sixth Sunday of Easter

11.15am **HOLY COMMUNION** (CW)

*Readings: Acts 17.22-31; 1 Peter 3.13-end; John 14.15-21.*

#### 2nd June - ASCENSION DAY (Thursday)

★ 9.30am **HOLY COMMUNION** (CW) at All Saints, Gurnard

7.00pm **HOLY COMMUNION** (CW) at St John's, Northwood

*Readings: Acts 1.1-11; Ephesians 1.15-23; Luke 24.44-end.*

#### 5th June - Seventh Sunday of Easter

11.15am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP)

*Readings: Acts 1.6-14; 1 Peter 4.12-14, 5.6-11; John 17.1-11.*

#### 12th June - PENTECOST

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP)

11.15am **FAMILY SERVICE**

*Readings: Acts 2.1-21; 1 Corinthians 12.3b-13; John 7.37-39.*

### CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR MAY 2011

| DATE | CHURCH                          | BRASS                     |
|------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 6th  | JILL MAZILLIUS & PAULINE PLEDGE | JACQUIE PEARCE            |
| 13th | SARAH & DEN HALLAM              | JAY SHIPLEY               |
| 20th | KAY WELFOOT & ELIZABETH BANKS   | JANE PEAKALL              |
| 27th | <b>VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED</b>      | <b>VOLUNTEER REQUIRED</b> |

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