

Crystal Solutions Ltd

All Electrical
Inspections, Installations and Design
also

Computer Set-up, Help, Advice

steve@crystal-solutions-ltd.co.uk Mobile: 07710 282950 Tel: 01983 529023

GEOFF LEATHER



Independent Funeral Director

40 PLACE ROAD, COWES, ISLE OF WIGHT PO31 7UB

TELEPHONE: 01983 292932

www.geoffleather.co.uk

Tel:
01983
524190

DAVE 'B'
SOLO GUITARIST AND SINGER

Music from the 50s 60s and 70s

Mobile:
07831
238862



HOUSEKEEPER AVAILABLE
Cowes ~ Northwood ~ Gurnard areas
INSURED ~ EXCELLENT REFERENCES
Weekly Cleans ~ One-offs ~ Holiday Lets, etc.



Please phone Christine on **01983 295080** or **07838 234 725**

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Citizens Advice Bureau (IW): 529853 / 0845 120 2959
Childline: 0800 1111
Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111
Emergency Services: 999
Ferries - Red Funnel: 0870 444 8898
Ferries - WightLink: 0870 582 7744
Gas Escapes: 0800 111 999
Hospital - St Mary's: 524081
IW Council: 821000
IW Councillor - Northwood (Roger Mazillius): 295556
IW MP (Andrew Turner): 530808
IW Police: 0845 045 45 45
Library, Cowes: 293341
Medical Centre, Cowes: 295251
Northwood Church (The Rev'd Lyn McRostie): 298370

Northwood News (Alan Welfoot, Editor): 523818
Northwood Stores: 293662
Northwood W.I. (Anne Jonas): 295437
Northwood Playgroup: 289717
Post Office, Pallance Road: 293794
Rail Enquiries: 0871 200 3456
School - Cowes High: 293491
School - Hunnyhill Primary: 522506
School - Kitbridge Middle: 522329
School - Love Lane Primary: 293233
School - Northwood Primary: 293392
School - Solent Middle: 295713
School - Somerton Middle: 294696
Southern Vectis Lost Property: 827000
Southern Water: 0845 278 0845

To submit articles for publication in Northwood News
please contact the Editor, Alan Welfoot.

Email: neditor@northwoodvillage.org.uk or Tel: 01983 523818

Please note: acceptance is subject to space being available

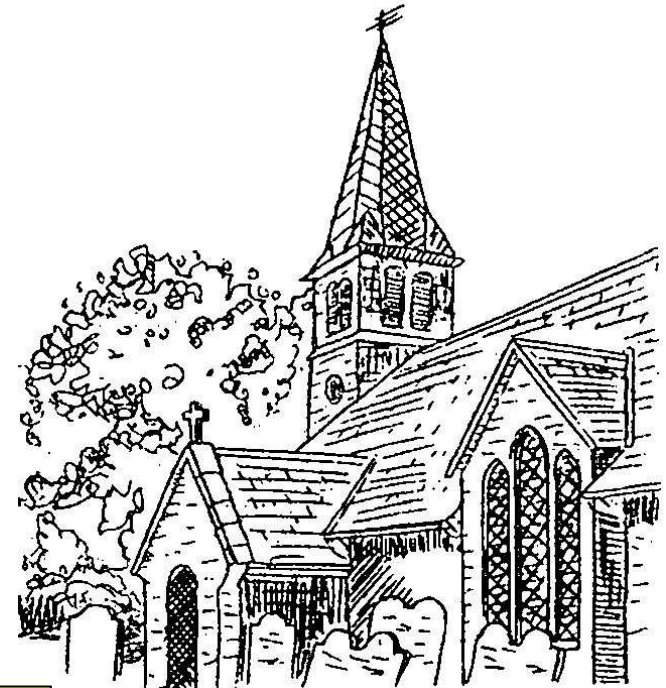
**COPY DEADLINE DATE for the
NOVEMBER 2010 edition:**

**NOON
FRIDAY**

**15th
OCTOBER**

NORTHWOOD NEWS

October 2010

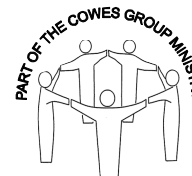


**ROTARY
SHOEBOX
SCHEME
2010
ENDS
7th
OCTOBER
See page 13**

**CLOCKS GO
BACK
one hour on
Saturday
night / Sunday
morning -
31st October**

Inside this edition:	Page
Local Groups	2 & 3
Parish Council Report	4 - 6
Community Partnership Report	7
Message from Lyn	8
Northwood Parish Church	10 & 11
Rotary Shobox Scheme 2010	13
FoNCh Competition & Calendar	14
Cowes Methodist Church	14
Useful Telephone Numbers	20
Copy Deadline Date	20
Roger's Report	Insert

www.northwoodvillage.org.uk



News and Events of the Churches and Organisations in and around the Parish of Northwood, Isle of Wight

1st NORTHWOOD SCOUT GROUP - SCOUT H.Q. Wyatts Lane
Beavers Thursday 5.45pm to 7.00pm
Scouts Monday 7.00pm to 9.00pm
Cubs Friday 6.45pm to 8.15pm

2nd NORTHWOOD BROWNIES meet on WEDNESDAYS
in the SCOUT HUT, WYATTS LANE from 6.00pm to 7.15pm.
Brownies is for girls aged 7 to 10 years.
Please contact JANE PEAKALL on 01983 521274.
WAITING LIST IN OPERATION

NORTHWOOD PLAYGROUP - Wyatts Lane, Northwood
 Our aim is to provide a happy, stimulating and safe learning environment for pre-school children.
 Children welcome from 2½ to 5 years of age. Open every weekday during term time.

All day sessions available. Session times as follows:
 8.00am - 9.00am ■ 9.00am - 11.30am ■ Lunch 11.30am - 12.30pm ■ 12.30pm - 3.00pm
OFSTED REGISTERED

Visitors are always welcome. To view our fantastic facilities, meet the team and discuss your children's early learning development, contact:

ANGIE FRY (Playgroup Manager) on **01983 289717** during opening hours.
 Kite marked ♦ Charity No: 1086436.

CREEA - COWES RADAR EX-EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

The next meeting is on Tuesday 26th October at 2.30pm
 in the IW Community Club, Park Road, Cowes

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING followed by

SPEAKER: BARRY REEVES - "Rotary on the Isle of Wight"

COLLEGE LUNCH - Wednesday 13th October at 12.00 for 12.15pm

For membership details contact Mary Mead on **01983 298154** or visit the **CREEA** webpage in the **Local Groups** section of the village website where you can also download a copy of our 2010 Programme and view photos of past events.

New Members are always Welcome

COWES AMATEUR OPERATIC AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY

at Trinity Theatre, Cowes. Box Office - Tel: **01983 295229.**

New Members are always Welcome

For full details of CAODS please visit our website: www.caods.org.uk

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

Contact John Isham on 01983 295074.

ABBA GOLD

will be performing at the Isle of Wight Community Club in Park Road, Cowes on Saturday 23rd October at 8.30pm. Tickets are £10, available from the club.
 Tel: 01983 292238. www.iw-communityclub.co.uk

LOCAL

CHERRY TREES - Care Home for the Elderly
 149 Park Road, Cowes.
Tel: 01983 299731. Registered with the Local Authority.
 Established Home with single en-suite rooms. Lift.
 24-hour care with home cooking and caring staff.

CHERRY BLOSSOM - Care Home for the Elderly
 252-255 Arctic Road, Cowes.
Tel: 01983 293849. Purpose-Built Home, Lift.
 All ground-floor, single en-suite rooms.
 24-hour care by qualified staff. Home cooking in a friendly environment.

MARINE SALON - LADIES HAIRDRESSER
 66 Newport Road, Cowes. **Tel: 01983 293483**
Senior Citizens Reduced Rates on Tuesday and Wednesday
Gents' Styling - Tuesdays 4.30pm - 7.00pm

GOOD FOOD, GOOD REAL ALE AND GOOD COMPANY at

THE TRAVELLERS JOY, PALLANCE ROAD

Telephone: 01983 298024

Meals served Lunchtimes and Evenings
 Midweek Special Roast Lunch



FAMILIES WELCOME - Large Garden & Car Park
Visit us on the web: www.tjoy.co.uk

IAN JONES
PROFESSIONAL
PAINTING & DECORATING
SERVICES
TELEPHONE 01983 825047
MOBILE 0779 1058926
FREE ESTIMATES

Lawnmowers and Garden Machinery
Sharpened / Serviced.
Prompt attention. Reasonable rates



FREE COLLECTION
 Cowes / Newport Area

Second-hand machines for sale.

Telephone Mr Taylor
01983 521634



BANNISTERS GARAGE, Bridge Road, Cowes.

Auto Engineers, Welding, Servicing, General Repairs,
 M.O.T. Testing Station, Automatic Transmission Repairs.
Car Collection and Delivery. Tel: 01983 290443

NORTHWOOD STORES - YOUR LOCAL NEWSAGENT - Tel: 293662

For your Newspapers, Greetings Cards, and Confectionery.

◀ **PHOTOCOPYING** ▶

We are open:

Mon - Fri: 5.30am - 7.30pm; Sat: 5.30am - 8.00pm; Sun: 6.30am - 6.00pm.



m.j. hayles

architectural service

PROMPT PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Preparation of plans for:
Planning & Building Regulations
 for
 Residential Developments
 Extensions, Alterations and Loft Conversions.
 Suite 10, Medina Village, Medina Road,
 Cowes, Isle of Wight PO31 7BU
 Tel: 01983 293128 Fax: 01983 297236
 email: mj.hayles@virgin.net

SOMERTON MOT & SERVICE CENTRE

MOTs, MECHANICAL REPAIRS
 AND SERVICING
 ON ALL MAKES & MODELS

Somerton Industrial Park
 6 Enterprise Way
 Newport Road, Cowes
 Isle of Wight PO31 8AP

- ♦Fast Fit on brakes & clutches
- ♦Exhausts & Tyres
- ♦Free pick-up & delivery
- ♦Fast Reliable Work
- ♦Free Quotes

 **01983 297222**

DAVID LUTAS UPHOLSTERY

PORCHFIELD BUSINESS PARK, NEWTOWN

Have your three-piece suite, armchair, car seats, boat cushions, etc.,
 recovered or repaired. Friendly Efficient Service.

Please contact for Free Quote.

Tel: 01983 531777



P. J. COURAGE
 GAS SAFE REGISTERED
HEATING & PLUMBING SPECIALIST
 FRIENDLY & RELIABLE

MOBILE:
07974385415
HOME:
01983 240279

HILLBROW HOUSE

Tuttons Hill, Gurnard. Tel: 01983 297240

Small, friendly, family-run Guest House offering
 quality accommodation at an affordable price

Now in our 23rd year - Car parking - Rating 4 Star (Guest Accommodation)

MOSS HAYMAN

PAINTING AND DECORATING CONTRACTOR

61 Wyatts Lane, Northwood

Tel: 01983 290419

Visit the village website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and events and much more.

G R O U P

NORTHWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

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

SPEAKER: LYNNE CLARKE - "Waste Disposal"

COMPETITIONS: 1lb jar of Homemade Jam; Best Garden Bloom

TABLE TOP SALE is on Saturday 16th October from 2pm.

Refreshments will be available.

To book a table contact Judeth Baker on 01983 292982

HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRING

To hire the Hall please contact **Mary Chick** on **01983 296020**

Visitors & New Members are always Welcome

MEDHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

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

MEMBERS' OPEN EVENING ~ Bring a Friend

COMPETITION: Best Bloom

REFRESHMENTS: Cheese & Wine - The Committee.

SALES TABLE

Visitors & New Members are always Welcome

NORTHWOOD FLORAL ART GROUP

The next meeting is on Monday 25th October at 7.30pm in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

ORANGES AND LEMONS

Tea/Coffee and Cake 50p

Membership is £15.00 per year; Visitors £3.00 per visit.

Visitors & New Members are always Welcome

Please contact **Sally Martin** on **01983 295416**



NORTHWOOD VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

The next meeting is on Friday 8th October at 7.30pm in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

COMPETITIONS: Button Hole; 4 Cooking Apples

Visitors & New Members are always Welcome - Contact 01983 295556

COWES HERITAGE EXHIBITION

THE HISTORY OF NORTHWOOD HOUSE AND THE WARD ESTATE

A fascinating display illustrating this well-known listed property which was once the home of the Ward family, as well as a school; a nunnery; war-time Red Cross Hospital and the venue for many glittering occasions.

The Exhibition will also feature the Ward Family; Northwood Park; Weston Manor and other Isle of Wight properties and farms belonging to the Ward Estate.

To be held at Northwood House, Cowes

Saturday 23rd October - Sunday 14th November - 10am-4pm DAILY

ADMISSION FREE

(Please use the Rotunda Entrance only)

NEWPORT JAZZ CLUB - JAZZ AT THE APOLLO

Newport Jazz Club presents one of the Island's most popular bands
THE CASTLE JAZZ BAND for an evening of Dixieland, Blues and Swing
 on Sunday 31st October 7.30-10.00pm. Tickets £6 - Tel: 01983 523879
 or Apollo Box Office 11am-2pm Tel: 01983 527267 (from 16th October)
 or at the door if available

NORTHWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

Cllr **JOHN PULLEN** - Chairman: 86 Wyatts Lane, Northwood PO31 8PY
Tel: 01983 281250 ~ Email: pullenjd@hotmail.co.uk

Cllr **PAUL FULLER JP CC** - Vice Chairman: 74 Wyatts Lane, Northwood PO31 8QA
Tel: 01983 289595 ~ Email: paulfuller@onwight.net; Blog: paulfullercc.blogspot.com

Cllr **COLIN CRAMP** - Chair of Planning Committee: 37 Greenways, Northwood PO31 8AN
Tel: 01983 289996 ~ Email: colin.cramp@yahoo.co.uk

Cllr **PATRICK BENTLEY**: 95 Noke Common, Newport PO30 5TY
Tel: 01983 248287 ~ Email: pat.bentleyready@gmail.com

Cllr **KEITH CLATWORTHY**: 37 Pallance Road, Northwood PO31 8LW
Tel: 01983 296635 ~ Email: kclatworthy@googlemail.com

Cllr **BRENDA CLEWS-CARTRIGHT**: 5 Hogan Road, Newport PO30 5UE
Tel: 0794 663 3362 ~ Email: brendacc@hotmail.co.uk

Cllr **JOHN FULLER**: 380 Newport Road, Northwood PO31 8PP
Tel: 01983 246597 ~ Email: jlfnorthwood@gmail.com

BARBARA HERBERT - Parish Clerk & RFO: 11 Wyatts Lane, Northwood PO31 8QB
Tel: 01983 290086 ~ Email: barbara.herbert@sky.com

+ ONE VACANCY

The comments made in the following reports depict the views of the individual contributors, rather than the views of Northwood Parish Council.

NORTHWOOD PARISH COUNCIL ROUND-UP

At the meeting of the Parish Council on 7th September the following matters were covered:

That Graham Cotterill, having resigned, be co-opted as an independent voice to the Village Design Statement working party.

That in the matter of the three planning applications currently being considered (Hillis Gate Stables, land adjacent 263 Newport Road, and BAE Systems (Signposts), no material objections be raised.

That a request by planning to consider a change in the way councils are informed of planning applications be dealt with by e-mail/internet rather than the current 'hard-copy by post' system. It was felt that a copy of the plans should be forwarded, but all other matters could be dealt with electronically. A request regarding how much could be saved by doing this was also made.

Consideration was given to taking part in the Green Towns Project. Cllr Patrick Bentley would attend the Green Town Project presentation and report back to the council.

Parking in the area of the Travellers Joy was discussed; the council would keep a watching brief.

That a precept working party, consisting of Cllrs John Pullen, Paul Fuller, Colin Cramp and the clerk, Barbara Herbert be formed.

It was noted that the current allotment site is to be vacated at the end of September, and that the new site was proceeding well.

Visit the village website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and events and much more.

GARDEN MAINTENANCE

Your garden kept in good shape by a friendly gardener at a low cost.
Grass cutting, hedge trimming etc.
No task considered too small ~ First call at discount rate.
Tel: 01983 284278 or 07770 845 533

JACKIE'S FOOT HEALTH SERVICES

Jackie Callaway S.A.C. Dip. FHPT/FHPP RFHP

Unable to cut your own nails?

Do you suffer from

**Corns, Callus, Fungal Infections
Athlete's Foot, In-Growing Toenails?**

All treatments in your own home
Evenings and Weekends also available

Fully Insured and CRB-checked

**Tel:
01983
520902**

**Mob:
07811
814 958**



K CANT WINDOW CLEANING

Over 20 years experience

FULLY INSURED

Discount for Senior Citizens

Tel: 01983 200272 ~ Mobile: 07768 571976



**Tel:
01983
825250**

MARTIN PROBERT

PAINTING AND DECORATING

City and Guilds Qualified

FREE ESTIMATES

**Mob:
07809
145 205**



Self Storage for Personal and Business Use
Open 7 Days a Week with 24 Hour Access Available
Onsite packaging shop with wide range of boxes

Tel: 01983 209090

Readers Business Park, 79 Place Road, Cowes
www.innerspacesuk.co.uk



BEKEN & SON

14-15 Bath Road, Cowes - 01983 297181

We now sell a selection of jigsaw puzzles as well as our regular photographic items and services.

**Hayden
Electrical**



ALL ELECTRICAL WORK UNDERTAKEN
ESTIMATES FREE

TELEPHONE: 01983 299620
MOBILE: 07855 900672

Domestic - Commercial - Industrial

**A HATHAWAY
PICTURE FRAMING**

**A COMPLETE PICTURE FRAMING
& REPAIR SERVICE
LARGE SELECTION OF SAMPLES
HOME VISITS AVAILABLE IF REQUIRED**



Unit 6A
Northwood Business Park
Newport Road, Northwood
Tel: 01983 280 848

Mobile: 07740 407 655

Email: akljhathaway@btinternet.com

Ebony Hair Salon

TOP QUALITY SALON

offering modern/funky and classic cutting and styling at affordable rates.

Top stylist Chrissy has 24 years experience in the industry and loves a challenge!

Level 3 stylist Rosie is currently building up her clientele and cheaper prices are offered with her. At Ebony we offer all aspects of hairdressing including Colouring, Perming, Setting, Blow-Dries, Gents' Cuts, Ladies' Cuts, Bridal/Party Hair.

Please call in for a free consultation and price list.

01983 289890



**OPEN FRIDAY & SATURDAY
LUNCHTIME**

TRADITIONAL FISH & CHIPS

**Full & Varied Menu
with Vegetarian Selection**

Meal Deals Available

Orders taken by phone

Open: Mon to Saturday 4.30 - 9.30pm

Friday & Saturday Lunch:

12 noon - 1.30pm

Tel: 01983 296763

36 Victoria Road, Cowes.

ISLAND GARDENS AND LANDSCAPING

Complete gardening and landscaping service

All waste taken away, one-off jobs to year-round agreements. No job too big or too small.

Call Michael for a no-obligation quote on **01983 854001** Mobile: **07849 011 342**

LET US DO THE HARD WORK SO YOU CAN ENJOY YOUR GARDEN

Gurnard Hilton

Set in quiet garden setting

Vet recommended

Boarding Cattery

Cuddles and quality care assured

Cattery life just got better here at the Hilton

Tel 01983 291737

www.gurnardhiltoncattery.co.uk



JOHN PAWLEY ~ PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Decorating ~ Carpentry ~ Fencing ~ Decking ~ Guttering

Drain Clearing ~ Holiday Home Maintenance

Free Estimates ~ Quick & Friendly Service ~ Est. 36 years

Tel: 01983 280570 ~ Mobile: 07775774502

Email: jpcp44@hotmail.com



NORTHWOOD BUSINESS PARK LIGHT INDUSTRIAL UNITS

suitable for Workshop, Office, Shop.

On-site Security, Emergency Lighting

Fire-alarmed, Public Liability Insured, Toilet Facilities, Water.

All units have:

Double-opening doors, Electricity, Fire Alarms and Emergency Lighting.

290 Newport Road, Northwood, Cowes PO31 8PE

Tel: 01983 296825 ~ Email: michellelight@btinternet.com

Visit the village website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and events and much more.

The council wished to thank everyone who had participated in, or made resources available to, the efforts to keep the planters watered during the dry spell. It was felt that this was a good example of a community supporting itself, and should be encouraged.

VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENTS - *Patrick Bentley*

Village or Town Design Statements are an opportunity for local people to influence decisions on design and development in their own town or village. Correctly prepared and presented, a Village Design Statement (VDS) can provide a clear picture of a village or town, enabling planners to assess applications more sympathetically. It is not about whether development should, or should not, take place (this is covered in the Island's Local Plan), but about how development should be managed in a manner sympathetic to the nature and character of the area as a whole. It is developed, researched, written, and edited by the people who live there, and is representative of the views of the village as a whole.

Part of its purpose is to describe the visual character of the village and its history, and to demonstrate how local character and distinctiveness can be protected and enhanced by any new development. It will be compatible with the statutory planning system and should be supported by the Island Council as supporting its Local Plan. It applies to all development, and is about managing change rather than preventing it.

Local people are best placed to identify the uniqueness of an area, in terms of its setting, character, and the nature of its buildings and open spaces. The Parish Council have considered the benefits of preparing a VDS, and have decided to go ahead. Anyone with an interest can become involved, and all representations are valid, and will be considered. This is a long term project, and will probably take 12 months or more to complete, (the average is between 12-24 months).

The lead councillor is Patrick Bentley, who can be contacted by e-mail at: pat.bentleyready@gmail.com or Tel: 01983 248287

BONFIRES - *Paul Fuller*

During this time of the year, I always receive complaints about bonfires.

Environmental Health have a leaflet which is obtainable via Gurnard Parish Council's website or via my blog paulfullercc.blogspot.com. Alternatively, please contact me, I will pop a copy in the post!

Summarised, the leaflet advises that there are no bye-laws preventing the burning of garden waste; however if a bonfire causes a nuisance with the smoke, fumes or gases being prejudicial to health then the local authority may intervene under the Environmental Protection Act (1990).

In practice, to be a statutory nuisance, a bonfire would have to be a persistent problem, interfering substantially with your well-being, comfort or enjoyment of your property.

Under the Highways Act 1980, anyone lighting a fire and allowing smoke to drift across a road may face a fine if it endangers traffic. If this is the case this then becomes a matter for the police.

If a bonfire is the best way for disposing of garden waste, follow these guidelines and the chances are you won't cause a serious nuisance. (It is worth noting that

Please tell our advertisers that you saw them in NORTHWOOD NEWS!

when lighting a bonfire it would be best to advise your neighbours. In most instances neighbours don't complain once contact is made!)

Only burn dry material.

- Never burn household rubbish, rubber tyres or anything containing plastic, foam or paint.
- Never use old engine oil, meths or petrol to light the fire or encourage it.
- Avoid lighting a fire in unsuitable weather conditions – smoke hangs in the air on damp, still days and in the evening. If it is windy, smoke may be blown into neighbour's gardens and across roads.
- Avoid burning at weekends and on bank holidays when people want to enjoy their gardens.
- Avoid burning when air pollution is high or very high. This can be checked by ringing 0800 556677.
- Never leave a fire unattended or leave it to smoulder – douse it with water if necessary.

Rather than lighting bonfires you can obtain inexpensive compost bins via the get.composting.com website (Tel: 0844 571 4444).

The Parish Council is to consider the co-option of a person to serve on Northwood Parish Council at a meeting to be held on **5 OCTOBER 2010**.

Any persons wishing to be considered and who are eligible* should submit their application to the Clerk in writing, under their own signature by **29 SEPTEMBER 2010**.

Prospective candidates may be asked to make a short presentation on how they can contribute to the Parish Council and the community of Northwood. This will be held prior to the meeting.

* A local councillor must be 21 years of age or over and a British subject or citizen of the Irish Republic. He/she must also be a local government elector of the Parish or a person who has:


- During the whole of the 12 months before nomination occupied land or premises as owner or tenant in the parish or,
- During the same period resided in the Parish, or within 3 miles thereof or,
- During the same period had his/her principal or only place of work in that area.

VENNER AVENUE PLAY AREA

Work is now underway on the play area in Venner Avenue, with some of the facilities already installed. Although the area will be 'out of bounds' until the work is finished and approved, it is already showing signs of being a great success. Thanks should be given to all those involved, in particular Barbara Herbert (Parish Clerk), and Cllrs John Pullen and Colin Cramp for their time and effort in seeing this venture through to fruition. All things running to time, and weather permitting, work should be completed by the end of September.

Visit the village website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and events and much more.

Please tell our advertisers that you saw them in NORTHWOOD NEWS!

MARTIN GILBERT	
CARPENTRY / JOINERY Qualified Carpenter Small Refurbishments Bespoke Sheds, Summer Houses, Fencing, Decking, Gates, etc.	Tel: 01983 299450 / 07778430578 Email: martin-gilbert@hotmail.co.uk FREE ESTIMATES & ADVICE
	Emergency Call Out Plumbing & Heating Engineer Solar and Under Floor Heating Service, Breakdown & Gas Safety Checks Tel: 0800 44 88 549
Plumbing & Solar Ltd	h2oplumbing@yahoo.co.uk  Registration No. 223838
Island Foresters Court 1821	
	
Will meet on the following dates at The Riverside Centre, The Quay, Newport, Isle of Wight. 11.00am to 1.00pm (sandwiches & refreshments served at the end of the meeting)	
Thursday 21st January Thursday 25th February Thursday 25th March Thursday 22nd April Thursday 20th May (AGM) Thursday 24th June	Thursday 15th July (No Meeting in August) Thursday 23rd September Thursday 21st October Thursday 18th November Thursday 9th December
All members are welcome to attend. For further details please contact Court Secretary Mrs Doreen Gant on 01983 200235	
Foresters Friendly Society Ltd, Foresters House, 29-33 Shirley Road, Southampton SO15 3EW. www.forestersfriendlysociety.co.uk www.aoforestersheritage.com	
Incorporated Friendly Society No. 511F	
KEVIN BENNETT - Tel: 01983 520552 City and Guilds Certified Builder. Free Quotes on Extensions, Roofing, Guttering Systems, Fencing and a lot more. NO VAT ON LABOUR COSTS	
INSLEY CARPENTRY - For all your carpentry needs!! Decking ~ Kitchen Fitting ~ Stairs ~ Handrails and Spindles Laminate Flooring ~ Interior and Exterior Doors etc. FULLY QUALIFIED CARPENTER Please contact: Lee Insley Tel: 01983 209764 or Mobile: 0797 485 6334 Email: leeinsley@hotmail.co.uk	
GARDEN ISLE LANDSCAPES All aspects of Garden Work undertaken, including Patios, Paths, Brickwork, Fencing, Tree Work, Turfing, Ground Clearance, Tree and Shrub Planting, Maintenance. 5a Pallance Road, Northwood - Tel: 01983 298471	

COWES METHODIST CHURCH, Birmingham Road, Cowes

SERVICES FOR OCTOBER 2010

Sunday	3rd	10.30am	Mrs Elizabeth Lilley
Sunday	10th	10.30am	Mr Peter Tilley
Sunday	17th	10.30am	Rev'd Robert Delap
Sunday	24th	10.30am	HOLY COMMUNION Rev'd Malcolm Stinton
Sunday	31st	10.30am	Mrs Gladys Delap



Cups of tea and coffee are served after the morning services.

The **LADIES' SISTERHOOD** meets every Tuesday at 2.30pm.

All ladies are very welcome to join in our fellowship.

The Monday **FELLOWSHIP GROUP** will meet on Mondays 18th October and 1st November at 8 Pallance Road, Northwood.

There will be a **CONCERT** by the **COWES CONCERT BAND** at the church on Monday 11th October at 8.00pm and on Thursday 28th October there will be a programme of light music given by the newly-formed **PHOENIX CHOIR** at 7.30pm. All proceeds for Church Funds.

THE FRIENDS OF NORTHWOOD CHURCH WIGHTSCAPES CALENDAR 2011

The WightScapes Calendar 2011 is now available for purchase from Northwood Stores; Rev'd Lyn McRostie at Northwood Church; Jay Shipley (email: jayship1955@yahoo.com); All Saints, Gurnard and St Faith, Cowes. Calendars will also be on sale at the Northwood Church Coffee Mornings. Prices held at only £2.99 per calendar.

They can be ordered by post by contacting Jay at jayship1955@yahoo.com - the cost will be £2.99 plus £1.00 p&p so £3.99 per calendar to UK addresses. Please contact Jay for overseas postage costs.

Thanks to everyone who entered the competition this year and especial thanks to the winning photographers: Cynthia Morris; Carol Flux; Edwina Abrook and Emma Abrook.

The overall winning photo of racing Fastnet yachts off Gurnard was taken by Cynthia Morris and is featured in August.

The winning photos (all can be viewed in the FoNCh section of the village website): January - Osborne House by Emma Abrook; February - Yarmouth Mill by Edwina Abrook; March - Cowes by Cynthia Morris; April - Yaverland by Carol Flux; May - Ashley by Edwina Abrook; June - Cowes by Edwina Abrook; July - Compton by Cynthia Morris; August - Fastnet Race Gurnard by Cynthia Morris (overall winning photo); September - Luccombe by Cynthia Morris; October - Newtown by Cynthia Morris; November - Cowes by Cynthia Morris; December - Northwood by Edwina Abrook.

We are getting ready for next year's competition. The theme is 'Photos with a humorous twist' and can be a photo which captures a moment of humour or a photo digitally enhanced to raise a smile. Application forms will be available from December 2010.

Jay Shipley, competition organiser.

Visit the village website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and events and much more.

NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

Chairman: Carole Jackson, 49 Green Lane, Medham, Northwood. Tel: 01983 289581
Vice-Chairman: Alan Chick, 75 Pallance Road, Northwood. Tel: 01983 296020
Secretary: Eileen Turner-Palmeron, 40 Greenways, Northwood.
Tel: 01983 282242 ~ Email: whitecross@onwight.net

NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT

(Eileen Turner-Palmeron, Secretary)

The third Residents Event was held on 15th September 2010. It was well supported and enjoyed by all who attended. We were very fortunate to have new Sgt Mike Sizer, from the Safer Neighbourhood Team at Cowes, attend with PCSO Steve Oatley and PC Mark Thomas. They were able to answer any questions and worries.

We also had a visit from Jenny Snook and her dog "Archie" from 'Pets as Therapy'. Archie was very friendly and everyone wanted to adopt him and take him home, including the police.

Another very welcome visitor was Mr Shaw Taylor, who people will remember from the programme *Police Five*, the forerunner of *Crimewatch*. He went round and had a chat with everybody. Many people were reminiscing with him and especially remembered his catch-phrase 'Keep 'em peeled'.

The next Residents Event will take place on

WEDNESDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2010

2.30pm - 4.30pm

in the

W. I. HALL, NORTHWOOD

Please come along and bring your friends for a cup of tea and biscuits etc. and make some new friends or renew old acquaintances. It only costs £1.00 (under 14 free).

A further Residents Event has been arranged to take place on Wednesday 17th November, 2010.

At the time of writing, we are hoping to welcome two new members to the Community Partnership, one of whom is believed to be a keen gardener. The Village will be planted with the Autumn plants during October, to continue our pledge to keep Northwood as flowery as possible.

**The next Community Partnership meeting will be on
Tuesday 23rd November 2010 at 7.45pm
in the W. I. Hall Northwood.**

All are welcome to attend.

Please tell our advertisers that you saw them in NORTHWOOD NEWS!

The Rev'd Lyn McKrostie
The Rectory, Chawton Lane, Northwood

As I compose this letter to you I'm doing it by hand because the power's off today – all day. Since 8am this morning I've had no recourse to anything that needs electricity to work.

It's been an interesting day; no computer, no microwave, no answer phone, no radio – the list goes on. I'm having to adapt to a different way of doing things, slower ways and I feel released from the relentless demands of a technology driven world. Meanwhile, I'm smiling wryly as I remember the predictions of the late 20th century that electronics and new technology would release us from drudgery and give us more leisure time. If only!

By the way, do you realise (according to a recent BBC report) "There is now a generation who do not remember the world before the internet took off ... someone born in 1992 will be 18 this year. In one way or another, their entire life has been lived online." Many individuals spend more time online than they do with real people. That's not healthy.

So, here's an idea – why not have a technological Sabbath? The concept of the Sabbath is that 1 day in 7 should be a complete rest. Is there a way that we can reconnect with/recover that ancient practice of slowing down for 1 day a week, use as little technology as possible, focus on our actual relationships with people, focus on God, for this is a spiritual as well as an organizational thing. Discarding our technology for one day a week and doing things differently gives each of us the chance to engage differently with the world and to glory in all of God's creation - a real world, not a virtual one.



WANTED - VOLUNTARY DRIVERS

Optio - the Island's voluntary car scheme - urgently needs volunteer drivers in the Northwood and Cowes areas.

When volunteering with Optio you will:

- choose to work as few (or as many) hours as you like
- receive an expenses mileage rate (40p per mile)
- make a difference to someone's quality of life with every trip you make
- meet new people and get out and about

Optio is a membership scheme which provides a lifeline to many people who do not have a car and find it difficult to use public transport by coordinating their safe transportation from home to medical appointments, memory clubs, day centres or perhaps enabling them to visit a friend or loved one.

To find out more about volunteering or becoming a member of Optio please call the Isle of Wight Rural Community Council on 01983 524058.

Philippa Daley
Rural services Officer

Visit the village website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and events and much more.

Please tell our advertisers that you saw them in NORTHWOOD NEWS!

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL SHOEBOX SCHEME 2010

for disadvantaged children in Montenegro, Tanzania and Romania.

Please obtain a form from

Northwood Stores or Northwood Church.

The form gives all details, instructions and advice on how to make up your shoebox. It gives advice on what sort of contents are suitable for particular age groups, what can be included and what cannot be included.

Please return filled boxes to any of the above by Thursday 7th October.

For more information please contact Pat Lambert on 01983 526385.

Rotary is a worldwide voluntary organisation of business and professional people who are dedicated to "service above self", helping others throughout the world, promoting all that is good in our society and world peace. Rotary has no religious or political affiliations.

Thank you for your support.

BIRCH ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING SERVICES

Chris Birch - Domestic Electrician and Plumber

fitterbirch@googlemail.com

Tel: 01983 864799 ~ Mobile: 07791 044307



ISLAND IFA

Equity release / lifetime mortgages?
Ethical / Green investing?
Inheritance Tax Planning?
Long Term Care Planning?



Are these areas of finances that are a concern to you?

At Island IFA we specialise in providing Independent financial advice in these areas.

All initial meetings are free of charge.

Why not call us to arrange a personal review with no obligation:

Island IFA, Landguard Manor, Landguard Manor Road, Shanklin PO37 7JB

Tel: 01983 867212 ~ Email: enquiries@islandifa.com

Advice on equity release may involve a lifetime mortgage or a home reversion plan.

If so to understand their features and risks, ask for a personalised illustration.

Island IFA is a trading style of Imperial Independent Financial Advisers Ltd

COME AND JOIN US AT

THE OLD STAG

COWES ROAD, NEWPORT

On the last Saturday of every month

Enjoy great music from the 60s, 70s and 80s

and join in the "Name That Tune" Music Quizzes.
Why not request some of your favourite songs to be played.

Hope to see you there!

For further information Tel: 01983 522709



NORTHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

I must write and tell you of the success of the Lunchtime Gardening Club at Northwood Primary School. This year the club went in for four competitions. The first was the *Potato Marketing Board* competition which was how many potatoes could be grown from three potatoes that they supplied with the bags. We had four bags supplied, and three potatoes were planted in each bag, two bags of Rocket and two bags of Vales Emerald. I had three of the children looking after each bag; we had weights of 3kg, 3.4kg, and 4.7kg and the winning weight was 5.4kg, which was the Rocket potatoes. This was a National Competition, and the prize was an allotment make-over and maintenance for one year.

The second competition was the *South and South-East In Bloom Schools Ground* competition, in which they won a gold medal.

The third competition was the Isle of Wight Biodiversity Partnership Wildlife Award, in which they had really stiff competition, and they won it.

The fourth competition was the *Isle of Wight in Bloom Competition for Schools Garden*, in which they came second.

I have only been involved with the children's garden since last September, and I am feeling really proud of the way the children have taken to their gardening. The judges in all the competitions were really impressed with the knowledge that the children had of the plants and the garden. I am really proud of the children and let's hope the future holds some budding new gardeners.

Pamela Toms
Head Gardener of NPS Lunchtime Gardening Club

A message from **SARAH HUSSEY**, the new headteacher of Northwood Primary:

We have had a great start to the new term, all the children are settled and the year 5's look fabulous in their new school ties.

The Community build project that we normally do in the Autumn term has been moved to the Spring term when we hope for better weather and the younger children will be happier to join in with the older ones. Look out for our new Reception class in the County Press very soon. I am sure you will have read about our success in the Wight in Bloom competition and I would like to publically say a huge thank you to Pam and Derek for all their hard work.

This term we will be holding a special whole school event just after the October half term; more details will be on our school newsletters. For the first part of this academic year Northwood School is learning through the theme of Art and Artists, so if there are any artists in the community that would like to be involved please contact the school office – we would love to hear from you.

On a personal note I would just like to say how privileged I am to be the head of such a reputable school and I am very excited about the coming year.

TABLE-TOP SALE

Northwood W.I. are holding a **TABLE-TOP SALE** in their hall on **Saturday 16th October** from 2.00pm.

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
FREE ENTRY!

To book a table please contact
Judeth Baker on 01983 292982



Visit the village website: www.northwoodvillage.org.uk for the latest local news and events and much more.

BARRY MICHAEL RALFS

It is with regret that I have to report the death of an ex-resident of Northwood, Barry Ralfs, who was an old friend and neighbour of mine. Many will remember that Barry was the goalkeeper of the Northwood Football Team for several years, and his father, Bill, was one of the officials. Their photograph is in the Northwood Village website Photo Gallery. His brother, Robin, was captain of the Isle of Wight Schools Football Team in the early 1950s. Barry moved into No 2 Mount Joy View (now No. 18) Oxford Street with his family, after they were bombed out in 1942.

He went to Northwood Primary School and Newport College and trained as a pattern maker. He was in the RAF for his National Service from 1957 to 1959.

He married Jenny in the Church of the Good Shepherd, at Lake, on 3rd April 1961, after which they moved to Reading, but they visited their families regularly with their two young daughters. After a few years they moved to Christleton, near Chester. He never forgot Northwood, and we would often speak about the old days and his friends. He died after a short illness on Saturday, 26th June, 2010 at the age of 73.

John Green, London.

FOOL'S GOLD

I imagine that we have all been made aware of the high price of scrap gold, which has been rising steadily, since we are constantly bombarded with TV and media advertising calling for us to dispose of our unwanted and damaged gold items.

The advertising certainly worked on me, but I did have some doubts about the various deals on offer, and so decided to do some homework before committing myself. I feel others might now benefit from my experience.

Firstly, I collected together an assortment of items we no longer wanted and wouldn't miss. We have a set of very accurate postal scales and the items weighed in at 105 grams. To make calculations easier I removed one small item and ended up with exactly 100 grams. (If you haven't got scales of this accuracy you can take advantage of those situated in any post office).

I checked the current scrap value for gold, and found it to be around £8.20 per gram for 9 carat. (This can be obtained on the Internet). All of my scrap was 9 carat. I now knew that my gold was worth around £800.

I checked to find the best price here on the Island, and the best offer was £350, much lower than expected, so I decided to choose one of the TV advertisers. I selected Money4Gold, and asked them to send me a prepaid, insured postbag to send my 'treasures' off to them. A guarantee was offered that they pay more than any of their competitors, and I would receive my cheque within 24 hours of their assessment.

Sure enough, a cheque arrived as promised, but for £332.19 - less than the amount offered locally. In their accompanying letter it stated that if I was not satisfied with the amount received I should telephone within 10 days to discuss it with them. (Make sure you don't bank their cheque at this stage, as this would be seen as your accepting their offer). I called them, explained that I was not happy, and the person I spoke to went off to 'try and get a revised quote'. She returned quite quickly and said that under the circumstances they would waive their valuation, handling, and commission fees, amounting to £448.44. I received this the following day.

There must be many of us that might accept an offer of £300 plus for a handful of broken and worn gold, but I would advise you to never accept a first offer from any of these companies. And £780 wasn't that far from my original 'guesstimate'!

NOTE: It is important to choose a company with their own smelting foundry. This will avoid dealing with a 'middle man' who has to make his own profit.

John Fuller, Northwood.

Please tell our advertisers that you saw them in NORTHWOOD NEWS!

NORTHWOOD PARISH CHURCH OFFICERS

Rector: The Rev'd LYN McROSTIE
The Rectory, Chawton Lane, Northwood PO31 8PR Tel: 01983 298370
Associate Priest: The Rev'd KEITH ADLAM Tel: 01983 281574
Assistant Curate: The Rev'd DIANA NETHERWAY
138 Bellevue Road, Cowes PO31 7LD Tel: 01983 298505
Lay Minister: RITA GODDARD Tel: 01983 292400
Churchwarden: PETER LAMBERT
9 Forest Hills, Gunville, Newport PO30 5NG Tel: 01983 526385
Churchwarden: ANNE BROOKER
28 Uplands Road, Northwood PO31 8AL Tel: 01983 296958
PCC Treasurer: PATRICK LE PEN
63 Green Lane, Medham, Cowes PO31 8QG Tel: 01983 249073
PCC Secretary: JACQUIE PEARCE
10 Wyatts Lane, Northwood PO31 8QB

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:

Baptisms:

JOSEPH OLIVER ENGLAND on 22nd August 2010
EMELYNE ROSE WHITLOCK on 5th September 2010
SIENNA MAY WEEKS on 12th September 2010
HARRIET ROSE HOWARD on 19th September 2010

~~~~~

No Weddings

~~~~~

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

~~~~~

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

#### FLOWER ROTA FOR OCTOBER 2010

3rd - **NO SERVICE**; 10th - **SALLY MARTIN**; 17th - **V/R**  
24th - **ANNE BROOKER**; 31st - **NO SERVICE**.

#### PRAYER GROUP MEETING FOR OCTOBER 2010

Tuesday 19th October 10.30am at 89 Wyatts Lane



### NORTHWOOD PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

in St John the Baptist Church, Chawton Lane, Northwood  
( unless otherwise stated \* )  
**OCTOBER 2010**

#### \* 3rd October - St Faith

##### NO SERVICE AT NORTHWOOD

10.30am **Joint Service at St Faith, Cowes - Patronal Festival**  
*Readings: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4; 2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10.*

#### 10th October - Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION** BCP  
11.15am **FAMILY WORSHIP**

*Readings: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c; 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19.*

#### 17th October - Luke the Evangelist

11.15am **MORNING PRAYER** BCP

*Readings: Acts 16:6-12a; 2 Timothy 4:5-17; Luke 10:1-9.*

#### 24th October - Last Sunday after Trinity

11.15am **HOLY COMMUNION** CW and Baptism

*Readings: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-end; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14.*

#### \* 31st October - All Saints' Day

##### NO SERVICE AT NORTHWOOD

10.30am **Joint Service at All Saints, Gurnard - Patronal Festival**  
*Readings: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18; Ephesians 1:11-end; Luke 6:20-31.*

#### CHURCHES TOGETHER IN COWES

Are organising a **QUIZ AID** evening  
at Cowes Baptist Church  
on Friday 29th October at 7.30pm  
in aid of Christian Aid.

All Welcome - why not bring a team to compete?  
There will be light refreshments and a small entry fee.

#### CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR OCTOBER 2010

| 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> |

Visit the village website: [www.northwoodvillage.org.uk](http://www.northwoodvillage.org.uk) for the latest local news and events and much more.

Please tell our advertisers that you saw them in NORTHWOOD NEWS!