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# NORTHWOOD NEWS

June 2017



*'For Father's Day, I'm giving my Dad an hour  
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Hello there!

This month we will once again be given the great privilege to decide who will make up our government and run our country. I know we seem to have been voting every year for the last five years, and some people may not see it as a privilege but a burden and something they cannot be bothered to do but I always remember those people who fought for us to have a vote and live in freedom - be it the Armed Forces personnel fighting in the Great Wars or the wonderfully brave suffragettes.....and so I will be going to the WI hall on the 8th, making my choice and putting a cross by a name.

The thing, we may moan about having to go and vote at another election, but our lives are full of choices and decisions: insignificant ones like what to have for breakfast, whether to have our hair cut or dyed, through ones like whether to move home or stay where you are, what course to study at University, what job to take, all the way to hugely significant ones of whether to accept the proposal or not, going out for the first time after the loss of a loved one, changing your lifestyle after a health diagnosis or whether to turn off a life support machine...





I spoke to our boys recently about how lucky they are to have so many choices, reminding them of people around the world but also close to home that are not as fortunate as them. But it is so easy to forget this when our cupboards are full of food, wardrobes full of clothing, toy boxes full of toys, a TV with 93 channels (!!), and that's before we consider the fact that we all have roofs over our heads and living in relative safe freedom.

It is good for all of us to remember how fortunate we are - and the best way of doing this is by stopping yourself doing something and seeing how much you miss it or struggle without it. One of the local Beaver troop did this recently when they worked for their disabled badge - trying simple things whilst blindfolded and manoeuvring around an assault course in a wheelchair. They all very quickly realised how lucky they were to have the choice of opening their eyes to see or getting up and going for a run.

Jesus gave all those who heard him speak a choice - to follow him or not. He never promised that by following him all their problems will be removed and their lives would be perfect, but he did promise that he would always be with them, in the good times and the bad. This cuts to the main problem we have with choices - we don't know what it is going to be like once we have made one or what will happen. But the point is if you have thought about your choices and come to your decision carefully and considerably then you just have to have faith

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you have made the right choice.... it's when you have made a rash choice or decision that you need to be worried.

I am still am nervous when I have to make decisions, especially big ones, its natural, but I then I try and hand all this over to God and ask that he remains close to me as I journey in the unknown. If you have a belief, I hope you always try and do the same. If you don't have a faith, make sure you are not alone when you are making big decisions – share it with someone you know and trust and then the future may not look as distressing.... but still make a choice. Doing nothing or, worst still, burying your head in the sand is good for nothing or no one!

***Wishing you a month of great decision-making and wise choices!***  
***Rev Amanda***

**Do you bake or make,  
 sew or grow?  
 Then why not enter  
 the Northwood Show?**

If you have never taken part in a village show before you might be surprised how much fun it is.

There are growers' classes and classes for cookery, floral art and handicrafts, as well as opportunities for children to show what they can do.

The Show will be held on Sunday 16 July, so you have plenty of time to prepare your exhibits!

Schedules are available from Northwood Stores, the Horseshoe and the Traveller's Joy,  
 or ring Nikki (Show Secretary) on 295357.

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## MESSAGE FROM REV AMANDA COLLINSON

Do you know of someone who would appreciate a visit by the church? Or would you, yourself, like to meet and talk with someone from the church? Please contact me, via phone or email listed above: I would be delighted to meet with you, to bring communion to you if you cannot come to church, or to explore with you if you just want to know more about the Christian faith. I am always here for you – because that's what the church is about!

## From the Parish Church Registers:

### Baptisms

Eben Peter House 14th May 2017

### Marriages

None

### Died

OUR PRAYERS AND THOUGHTS TO THE FAMILIES OF

David John Cham 29th March 2017

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

Flower Rota

4th Sally Martin

11th Not required

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

June 2017

### 4th Pentecost

11.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

### 11th Trinity Sunday

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

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

### 18th 1st Sunday after Trinity (Father's Day)

11.00am Holy Communion

### 25th PATRONAL FESTIVAL OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

10.30am Holy Communion (note different time!)

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16th	Volunteers Required	Volunteer Required
23rd	Mrs P. Lambert, Mr P. Lambert	Mrs M. Chick
30th	Volunteer Required	Volunteer Required

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

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

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## COWES METHODIST CHURCH, Birmingham Road, Cowes

### SERVICES FOR JUNE 2017

Sunday 4th 10.30am CHURCH ANNIVERSARY  
Rev Gwyneth Owen

Sunday 11th 10.30am To be arranged

Sunday 18th 10.30am HOLY COMMUNION  
Rev David Plumb

Sunday 25th 10.30am Rev Graham Akers

Tea/coffee is served after the services

The SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 10.15am and would welcome more young people to join them.

The LADIES' SISTERHOOD will meet at 2.30pm on Tuesdays 13th and 27th June. All ladies would be made very welcome.

The FELLOWSHIP GROUP will meet at 2.30pm on Tuesday 6th June only at 8 Pallance Road, Northwood. All welcome to come along.

### Plant Sale

In Church on 13th May 2017

Thanks to everyone who donated plants, and helped out on the day to make everything run smoothly, and of course to everyone who came along and supported us. A grand total of £261.43 for the Organ fund was raised.

Thank you

### Coffee Morning

In aid of Church Funds

On Saturday 3rd June 2017 from 10.00am to 12noon  
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operators, if it is a rare manufacturing defect, and, I feel, that to know and understand this, and see that best efforts are being made to minimise inconvenience, helps in gaining public tolerance.

I did take the opportunity to comment on the poor standard of reinstatement, saying that the quality of the previous was wholly unacceptable and that we all would expect that any further work would be done properly.

### Curbing the Wanton Actions of Utilities

I am pursuing action on my accepted Motion, from earlier this year, to control the actions of the Utility Companies in disrupting and destroying our newly laid roads, recently exemplified by the scandalous scarring of a freshly laid surface in Avenue Road Totland, for works that could have been scheduled. Similar happened, if you remember, in Park Road, Cowes, and elsewhere around Cowes and Northwood.

### Cowes Post Office

It now transpires that the Post Office's secrecy and lack of honest and meaningful consultation and engagement with local authorities, business and public, not only is against their own Code of Practice, but appears to have been hiding a self-serving agenda that disregards the people that the Post Office publicly purport to serve. Their disingenuous strategy has been to play one party off against the other, and, it has now been revealed that these scurrilous tactics were employed to block the application from the new convenience store to be situated in the premises currently occupied by Aqua Marine, right in the town centre, in the High Street, at the bottom of Market Hill, whose application, I am told, was rejected on the grounds of the existence of the Mill Hill Post Office site, before its establishment, or their meaningless pretence in consultation. I will be reporting this whole affair to the new MP, new Town Mayor and Chairman of the IW Council, and urging them to take up this case of deceit, disregard and disservice, at the highest level. This is not, on the other hand, to slight the Co-Op, whose support of the public and the Post Office service is commendable.

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## Ward Councillor's Report – May 2017

### Re-Election Thanks

Thank you to all those who supported me for re-election. From my approximation, the number of voters was up by 5% to around 40%, and some 66% of those votes were in my support. When talking with people on my door knocking rounds, it was gratifying to find that my reports were so widely read, and to see the number of people that were of a different political persuasion but who still supported me because of what I did and said. This is an important point, particularly at local level. I have friends who are of other political alliances, but, it is notable, that we all, roughly, want the same thing, and our differences mainly lie in the detail of how best to achieve those ends, differences that do not come in to play, so significantly, at local level, where it is mainly down to personalities. I am a believer that over politicisation at local level can be divisive and destructive, and that the voting public would rather see a more pragmatic approach with focus and attention on local achievement, rather than grandiose arguing about remote political ideology. So, for people who did not vote in my favour, or did not vote at all, I would request that you, please, accept my service nevertheless, as I have accepted this appointment to serve the community, to the best of my ability and resource.



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### Southern Water

At a meeting with Southern Water, with neighbouring Ward Councillors, Island Roads and IW Council Highways, it was explained to us that the new water main has not passed the pressure test, and, investigation into the joints being the suspected source of failure had found no fault. The leak is so slight that it cannot be detected under normal circumstances, yet, it must be resolved because it poses potential problems and continues to delay the resurfacing programme on the section of road affected. The only possibility left is that it is a slight defect in the pipe, possibly during manufacture, so the defective section of pipe must be found and replaced. Southern Water have managed to narrow down where the defect lies, and it is somewhere in the stretch between Bookers and the first inspection chamber up Newport road (around 70m).

Through negotiation, we have managed to ensure that Newport Road is kept open for the duration, this time, using Enterprise Way (which is part of the Public Highway situated and running alongside Newport Road, but the other side of the hedge to Somerton estate) as a diversion route to compensate for lane closure. The only time that a section of road will have to be closed is when crossing the Somerton roundabout in Three Gates Road, and when lifting and laying pipes, which can be done at night. This is unfortunate, but not the fault of the

## All Saints' Church, Gurnard Welcome back The Tritone Singers

A Summer Concert on Saturday June 17th at 7.30pm  
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### Cowes Heritage's

Following the success of our inaugural Open Day, Cowes Heritage's next informal Open Evening will be on Thursday 29 June 6.30 – 9 pm at the Portacabin, Three Gates Road Business Park. You will have the opportunity to browse our archived material of photos, maps and documents as well as access to our detailed database. All are welcome.

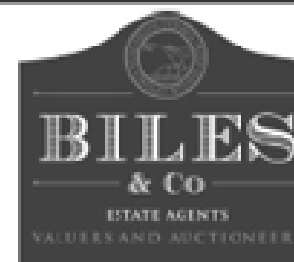
### "The ISLE OF WIGHT FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY Summer Outing will be to NORTHWOOD CHURCH

on Saturday 17th June 2017 at a cost of £4 per person.  
Non-members are also welcome. There will be a talk about the history of the church and then the opportunity to look around and visit the churchyard.

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## COWES-DEAUVILLE TWINNING ASSOCIATION

This Association was formed in 1964 with a view to furthering social, cultural and sporting exchanges between the citizens of both towns.

Anyone with an interest in France and the French and who have, or have had, some connection with Cowes, Gurnard, Northwood, East Cowes and Whippingham are very welcome to apply for membership.

**New members are always welcome**

Chairman: Barrie Clarke 882334 Secretary: Barry Bates 296303

## Trinity Theatre Cowes

Forthcoming Events at Trinity Theatre, Cowes.

**Saturday 3rd June**—Coffee morning 10am—Noon

**Monday 5th June**—Annual General Meeting 7:30pm in the Clubroom

**SUMMER GANG SHOW**—Friday 23rd June and Saturday 24th June at 7:30pm  
and Sunday 25th June at 2:30pm

Further information at [www.caods.org.uk](http://www.caods.org.uk)

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## NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

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## NORTHWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP REPORT

(Eileen Turner-Palmerton)

At our May Residents Event we had another very enthralling talk from Mr. Mitch. Jones, on prisoners, through the ages, held in the Tower of London. Thankfully society no longer treats prisoners in the same way. None the less it was a talk not to be missed. To add realism Mitch was dressed in his uniform as a Yeoman of the Guard, which was very impressive and added a convincing touch to the stories he told.

We are delighted that the Parish Council has agreed for the financial support to replace the planters in the Village. This will ensure that Northwood retains a beautiful sight for both Residents and visitors.

We have been informed by the Safer Neighbourhoods Team regarding the recent "ransom ware" event. All computer users are strongly advised to install and keep up to date anti virus software. If you become a victim, under no circumstances should a ransom be paid, but contact the Police, who have a specialist cyber crime unit.

Our next Residents Event will be on Wednesday June 21st, 2.30pm at the W. I. Hall.

Our Residents Events for 2017 are as follows:

July 19th

August 16th

September 20th

October 18th

November 15th

For future events, please contact 282242 or 296020 if you are in need of transport.

If you are interested in what happens in the Village, like the upkeep of the flowers and the Residents Events, we would appreciate anyone who has a spare hour to help, to come along and see what we are trying to do for the Residents of the Village. Please contact any of the above telephone numbers for more information.

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## Post Office in Cowes

Cllr Nicholson stated that he was aware a Central Food-store was due to be located in Cowes high street. On the mainland, Central Food-stores were the host to nearly 40 local post offices. A representative of Central Food-stores had apparently been in contact with the Post Office Ltd inviting discussions on the suggestion to facilitate relocation of their service within the town. However, the Post Office Ltd had been very dismissive of the proposal. Cllr Nicholson advised of his intention to write to the Post Office Ltd, with a copy to the County Press and the local town and parish councils, requesting that this opportunity to retain Post Office services with the heart of Cowes, be investigated as a matter of urgency.

## Picnic Tables

The clerk reported that HMP Isle of Wight had advised that the first picnic table was to be totally refurbished. This would involve the removal of the damaged finish and it being re-sprayed with a suitable water based preservative to give a lasting protection. To achieve this the bench was to be completely taken apart and all finishes removed so that it could be re-sprayed and continuity kept with regards to the colour etc. The clerk also advised that, on two separate occasions, while on the play area she had been requested to pass on compliments to the Parish Council on the installation of the picnic benches. Cllr Nicholson advised that similar praises of the picnic tables had been made to him during the past month.

## Balloon Festival

We would like to extend a big thank you to all those who attended and were involved in the huge success of the Balloon festival that took place on Saturday 20th May.

With special thanks to all the volunteers who helped on the day and those who supplied cakes. Also to Wight Harmony barber shop singers who finished our celebrations with a wonderful concert. We had over 400 visitors at the festival during the day that came to see the numerous balloon displays designed by Clare at Twisted Inflations

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# GROUPS

## NORTHWOOD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next event is on Thursday 1st June at 2pm in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

**Speaker:** Judi Griffin

**Topic:** Briddlesford Lodge and farm

**COMPETITIONS:** Decorated hat for Ascot, Best Garden Bloom 24th June Summer Jumble Sale

**HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR HIRING**

To hire the Hall please contact **Anne Jonas** on **295437**  
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## MEDHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The next event is on Monday 12th June at 7.30pm in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

**Guest speaker:** Mitch Jones

**Topic:** Prisoners in The Tower

**Competition:** Five Line Limerick, Best garden bloom. Bring & Buy

**REFRESHMENTS:** Tea & biscuits (Heather G & Jean B)

Annual General meeting at Liverpool Wednesday June 7th

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## CREEA - COWES RADAR EX-EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

The next event is on Thursday 8th June at 2:30pm

**What the Papers Said—IW Newspapers between 1860 and 1930-ish—Derek Sprake**

Tuesday 27th June—Lunch venue TBC

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 2017 Programme and view photos of past events.

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## NORTHWOOD FLORAL ART GROUP

The next meeting is on **Monday 26th June at 7.30pm** in the Northwood W.I. Hall.

**Summer Wreath Workshop** by Julie Richardson

Tea/Coffee and Cake £1.00

**Membership is £18.00 per year**

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



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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 NORTHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL, WYATTS LANE, NORTHWOOD.**

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND**

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## NOTES FROM THE MAY MEETING OF NORTHWOOD P.C.

### Public Forum

There was one member of the public in attendance who referred to problems caused by inconsiderate parking on the estate, particularly in Horseshoe Close. On occasions cars in this area were being parked on double yellow lines preventing easy access to properties. It was suggested that this could have a potential, detrimental effect on Public Service vehicles responding in a timely manner to any emergency situation arising towards the end of the Close. Councillors were questioned as to how this matter could be resolved. Cllr Nicholson advised that, while out canvassing for the forthcoming elections, he had observed parking problems in the vicinity of the junction of Wroxall Close and Venner Avenue. It was generally considered that increasingly, residences these days, had more than one car. However, the properties in this area tended to only have the ability to park one car off road. Several large work vehicles were also being parked in the locality.

### Chairmans Report (written for the meeting of May 2nd )

"In preparing this report, I looked back at the last 12 months, and asked the question, just what have we achieved?

We now have two new picnic benches, which will be well used. We have commented on planning applications, and, thanks to David, have also made observations on a number of documents, such as the Medina Valley plan. The question is, does anyone take any notice of what we have said. It appears that although deadlines are set, some times at very short notice, responses are zero. My predecessor has represented the Council on a committee to respond to a request from the WI hall to look at its future. Whilst the Council will continue to have an input into the Halls future, I do not believe it should be involved in its running.

In the upcoming elections, out of 25 Parish Councils, I have not included town Councils, there are contests in just 3. The question that needs to be asked is simple, are there too many on the Island ? In my view, yes.

The former Mayor of Cowes, Geof Banks, has long advocated, the three councils on this side of the Medina, coming together. That I feel would be in effect, a Cowes takeover. However, with Gurnard and ourselves being 7 Councillors short, should a merger be looked at? Food for thought."

Chris Riddet

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