



THE GURNARD NEWS

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A MOMENT LASTS FOR
SECONDS BUT THE
MEMORIES LASTS
FOREVER.



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A LETTER FROM ALL SAINTS'

HELLO THERE!

What memories does the month of May bring for you? Going back as far as my youth it meant Maypole dancing which would have been preceded by many hours practice to make sure the pattern we made with our ribbons was perfect....More recently it meant going to Spencer's Field to celebrate the May Day celebrations organised by the Scouts with its traditional procession through Gurnard village..... For 2021, it will **hopefully** mean gatherings of 30 people outside, 6 people or 2 households meeting inside, having a meal inside a pub or restaurant, cinemas reopening, weddings having 30 guests and crowds returning to sports events and concerts! But this is subject to everything still going well and not until the 17th May so don't use me as an excuse to do any of this before that date! Slowly and gently we continue along the roadmap out of lockdown.....

It is funny the first two May traditions I mentioned above have so many emotions attached to them – for the first one I can remember being able to have candy floss, a real treat when I was young, I don't remember doing a Maypole dance in the rain although I am sure it was not always sunny; for the second one I can still hear the screams of laughter, above the noise of smashing plates, from my boys and all the other children as they slid down the foamy wet mat in the field about 3 years ago! These memories enable me to be instantly transported back to these particular places, and remember all the sights, sounds and smells of great days with family and friends.

Our lives offer us various cycles of time and moments – whether it is school terms, clothes that we wear, what's happening in our gardens, or just plain key dates of births, anniversaries and death. And yet this past 15 months or so those cycles have been skewed, broken or just simply not celebrated: we had the most wonderful Easter Day last month celebrating my younger son's birthday, as well as Christmas and eating chocolate eggs – all on one day with family we hadn't seen for months! Samuel will never forget his 9th birthday!!!!

And as a result I think we all feel a bit out of kilter, as we haven't done what we normally would by now..... whatever that actually means for you, be that a holiday abroad or simply saving up enough money to treat the family to a nice meal out or a visit to Blackgang Chine.

I am sad that there are some traditions we have missed, but I am also going to take this break from the norm as an opportunity to ensure I am doing the traditions I want to do and not just doing them because I have always done them.... Because traditions are great, but sometimes they can become restrictive,

inflexible – Jesus struggled with the Pharisees and their traditions as they admonished the disciples for picking corn on the sabbath or forbidding Jesus to heal a man on the sabbath: both meant work and that was banned. Jesus told them that this was absurd. Similarly illogical is the tradition or belief that all good Christians go to church every Sunday. And one tradition I have always struggled with is the RN way of toasting the Queen whilst sitting down – it goes back to days when the wooden ships had very low ceilings.....but none of the warships I served on had that issue and I struggled even more when we were not even in a ship but a shore establishment, but then as Mark Twain once said 'The less there is to justify a traditional custom, the harder it is to get rid of it'.

So what new traditions am I going to make? Well.....I am going to drink Guinness outside the rugby season, I am not going to buy my boys matching tops for Christmas, I am going to eat scrambled egg and smoked salmon on a bagel more than one day a year, I will go to bed before Midnight on New Year's Eve if I am tired, I will have a Hot Cross bun in the summer (especially if it is homemade!), if I see sparklers outside November time I will buy them for my family for no reason but to light them and have fun.....wow I am feeling empowered and rejuvenated already!!!!

So as we continue to slowly return to some type of 'normal' living, I encourage you to think about your family traditions: do you want to stop some and start others? Don't just do something because you have done it for ever, do it because you want to, because you want to make a particular moment a special memory, because it brings you great joy!

If you see me around, do let me know your new traditions, especially if I can be part of them: I cannot wait to hear what you have planned for the year ahead!

*With love to you and your loved ones,
Rev Amanda*



For Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals please contact
Rev'd Amanda Collinson 294913

CHURCH SERVICES FOR ALL SAINTS'

May 2021



2nd 5th Sunday of Easter

9.30am Celtic Morning Prayer

9th 6th Sunday of Easter

9.30am Holy Communion

16th 7th Sunday of Easter (Sunday after Ascension Day)

9.30am Service of the Word (a non-Communion service)

23rd Pentecost

9.30am Celtic Communion

30th Trinity Sunday

9.30am Morning Prayer

We are still working within the National COVID restrictions (ie a limited number at our services as well as the requirement to wear a mask and maintain a distance between groups and individuals.) and appreciate your support in adhering to these regulations.

Should you wish to attend a service, please contact Rev Di Netherway (298505 or dnetherway1@gmail.com) if you would like to join us any week. However we will continue to live stream and post weekly services on our YouTube channel - Northwood, Gurnard and Cowes St Faiths parishes. The link is as follows: www.youtube.com/channel/UCpp6tQitlusmJ10XEetGQgg

**THE CHURCH
IS OPEN
ENTER
REST + PRAY**

**Wednesday between the hours of
11am and 1pm.**

Depending on the numbers of people who attend this may alter in the future.

With love, thoughts and prayers as we slowly come out of this difficult time.

Amanda, Priest in Charge, Gurnard Church

A '2020' COMMEMORATIVE ARCH

After suffering so much pain and heartache during last year, we would like to create a lasting and positive memory of 2020 for the village in the church.



As a result we going to build a permanent arch over our West Door and cover it with knitted or crocheted flowers and we would like you to be involved!!!!

What we would like are flowers, of any type and colour, approx. 2" wide.

We will start collecting them next month – hopefully all our local pubs, shops and cafes will be fully open by then and we can put a collection box in them, but there will definitely a collection box in church which is open Wednesdays 11am – 1pm.

We will then organise a special day and event (when all restrictions are relaxed and we can gather in large groups) to celebrate its unveiling.

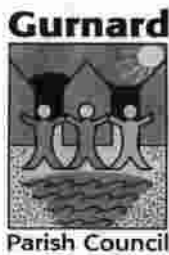
So get those needles out and start having fun making some woollen flowers and I look forward to having a cuppa with you all in celebration of our '2020 Commemorative Arch' later in the year.

Rev Amanda



RECYCLING PILL PACKETS

After finding a place on the island that recycles them, we are delighted to have a collection box in church for your empty plastic pills packets. Please pop in with any you have to dispose of them, currently the church is open on Wednesdays 11am to 1pm. Less for landfill - hurrah!



GURNARD PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Village Clock

A big thank you to Messrs' Gordon Day and Rik Monk for their joint efforts in repairing the village clock – always missed when it's out of action, it was lovely to see it up and running again for Easter.

Litter Pick

Another huge thank you to the 22 volunteers who came out to help with the litter pick on Saturday 17th April – your support was very much appreciated.

Gurnard's Neighbourhood Plan

The Parish Council were delighted with the decision recently made by the Isle of Wight Council's Planning Committee to refuse permission for application no. 20/02026/FUL for 6 new dwellings on Baring Road, overturning the presumption in favour of development with a big majority, supporting Gurnard's Neighbourhood Plan (GNP) on landscape protection. This followed two officer refusals at the same site and a recent officer decision to refuse permission on land at Dottens Farm, application no: 20/01151/FUL . We are now looking at ways to work with the Isle of Wight Council to consolidate and further protect the landscape value identified in Gurnard's Neighbourhood Plan, which in our view is 'unsuitable' for development, and safeguard the three very special fields in the Jordan Valley from further residential development.

Disabled access to the plinth at the bottom of Gurnard Green

A suggestion, supported by the Parish Council, has been made for a gradual concrete slope to be installed where the current cycle racks are at the bottom of the Green, to provide disabled access to the new picnic table area. Given this is Isle of Wight Council land, we have initiated a formal request to the Isle of Wight Council to ask if they can provide a ramp in this location to comply with disability regulations.

Cold Calling

The Parish Council are wholeheartedly in support of No Cold Calling and have recently funded and fitted replacement 'No Cold Calling Zone' signs at all five entrances to the village.


Annual Parish Meeting

Following last year's cancellation, we are pleased to be able to hold an Annual Parish Meeting again this year, and have confirmed representatives from Natural

England as guest speakers to provide an update on the English Coast Path through Gurnard. To be held at 6.30pm on Wednesday 26th May in the village hall, all very welcome, further details to be published on the website and noticeboard.

Next Parish Council Meeting

The next full Parish Council meeting will be held in the village hall for the first time since last October, at 6.30 pm on Wednesday 19th May 2021. There is always an opportunity at the start of the meeting for members of the public to make comments and ask questions. Meeting confirmation and the agenda can be found on the Parish Council notice board on Worsley Road and the Parish Council's website www.gurnardpc.co.uk. If there is anything you feel that the Parish Council could help with, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council, Mrs. Katie Riley, telephone 07305 013718 or email: gurnardparishcouncil@gmail.com



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If you have any questions please contact Wendy Peskett on 292145 or by email at mandwp@outlook.com.

Thank you.

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 * **Gurnard Village Cottage Garden Society** *
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 * **MEETINGS CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** *
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The Village Hall has the following Regular Groups.
to join a group pop in or contact bookings
carolynsibley@icloud.com

MONDAY

9.30 - 11am Judith Didham Yoga (restart FEB 2020)
1.30 – 3.30 p.m. Art Group (Tony Westmore)
5 - 6 pm Tai Kwando (Pete Scotcher)
7.00 – 9.00 p.m. Cowes Art Group (Ian Dawkins)

TUESDAY

10-12 noon Spinney Quilters (Val Clearey) not yet
(3 times a year from 12 to 3pm Village Lunch. W.I.)
4 - 7.30 -Yoga Elizabeth Bolwell
7.30 – 9.00 p.m. International Dance (Mavis Bownas)

WEDNESDAY

10-12 noon Art Group (Tony Westmore)
1st And 3rd 2 - 4 p.m. Cyber Café not yet
1st 7.30 – 9.30 p.m. Gurnard Cottage Garden Society(Emma Glasbey) not yet
2nd and last 5pm to 8 pm Gurnard Parish Council (Katie Riley) virtual
3rd Gurnard Bay W.I. 6.30 – 9.30 p.m. (Judith Westbrook) not yet

THURSDAY

9.30 - 11 am Judith Didham Yoga
12 - 1.30 Keep Active Exercise Group (Andy Savage)
4th Thursday 2-4pm Creative Writing (Chris Lund)
5 - 6 pm Tae Kwando (Pete Scotcher) not yet
6.50-8pm Fit Steps (Donna Stimson) NEW!!

FRIDAY

9.30 - 11 am Parents and Toddlers (Polly Segar, Sally France) not yet
12 - 1. 30 Yoga (E Bolwell)
2- 4 p.m. Solent Singers (ladies)) Suzanne Longstone) not yet
(every 1st) 7 p.m. Gurnard Film Society (Janet White)

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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH GURNARD COMMUNITY GROUPS

Please note that due to the current health situation the following 3 community groups run by All Saints' will be suspended until further notice.

- CIRCLE DANCING
- ELEPHANT CLUB
- COFFEE & CHAT

USEFUL NAMES & TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Age Concern	525282	Health Centre (appointments)	294902
Ambulance (Transport)	825111	Health Centre (general)	295251
Citizens Advice Bureau	0845 1202959	Hospital (St Mary's)	524081
Electricity (Emergencies)	0800 072 7282	Library (24hr renewal line)	822123
Gas (Emergencies)	0800 111999	Police	999
Water (Emergencies)	0845 2720845	Out of Hours GP & Dentist	0840508345
Flood-line (Mon -Fri 8am - 8pm W/ends 10am - 4pm)	0845 9881188		
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All Saints' Church, Curate	Rev'd Diana Netherway		298505
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Junior Church (Sunday School)	Rev'd Amanda Collinson		294913
Gurnard Primary School (website)	www.gurnardprimaryschool.co.uk		295713
Gurnard Bay Evening W. I.	Mrs Judith Westbrook		295690
293619			
Cyber Cafe	Mrs Carolyn Sibley		297154
Gurnard Village Hall Bookings	Mrs Carolyn Sibley		297154
Gurnard Village Hall Assoc. Chairman	Mrs Carolyn Sibley		297154
Gurnard Village Cottage Garden Society	Mrs Emma Glasbey		293130
Gurnard in Bloom	Jennie Lewis		643323
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Please feel free to call me at anytime!

Cowes/ Gurnard Seafront Car Parking Charges.

After much perseverance, the IW Council has confirmed that Car Parking meters **will not** be installed until after 4th June.

Because this follows Local Council Elections, I've been in dialogue with candidates and political leaders asking for their support for the ill-conceived charges to be scrapped in full. The response received so far has been very positive, and I am hopeful after feedback, a rethink could be considered by the current Council leadership.

In respect to this, I have written the Council Leader to scrap proposals.

Mornington Car Park: An Update.

The IW Council has no plans to sell Mornington Road Car Park. Concerns came to light following an article appearing in the press, regarding viability of this car park within the IW Council's Parking Strategy. Since a reassuring initial response from the IW Council officers, further concern was raised when the Car Park was designated a SHLAA (Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment) site. In response to these concerns the Council states 'this in no way infers that the land will definitively be declared surplus to requirements and disposed, but nor does it infer to the contrary'.

In the coming weeks, I hope to be in a position to work with both Cowes Town Council and Councillors to ensure remains safeguarded for future Community Use. Please contact me for further details.

Planning Applications.

Baring Road: Following my call-in for consideration by the IW Council's Planning Committee, the proposal to develop 6 new dwellings towards Tuttons was refused.

The Dottens. In addition proposals to increase the number of dwellings at Dottens development off Baring Road was also refused by officers.

Both of these applications highlights the significance of Gurnard's Neighbourhood Plan. Elsewhere:

Rew Street:

A proposal to increase the size of the **Sunnycott Caravan Park** has caused issues with residents nearby, whilst an application to replace a modest dwelling, with something significantly bigger adjacent to **Sticelett Farm** with access off Rew Street has motivated my response to Planning Officers.

Gurnard Green.

With lockdowns easing and the summer approaching please can I appeal that when bins are close to being full, residents take their rubbish home or place waste in a bin not so full.

This follows incidents where Foxes and Badgers scatter food debris on our Green!

Energy Supplies.

From 1st April, OFGEM is to increase the price cap for Energy Bills. This will mean that in the coming months, most households are likely to see an increase in their energy tariffs, for details visit: <https://www.moneysavingexpert.com/> To find out more on how switching suppliers which could save your household money visit: <https://www.uswitch.com/>

Small Business Support.

I have been providing support to a number of business owners going through the minefield of receiving Grant Funding Support throughout the Coronavirus pandemic. For updates please visit: <https://www.iow.gov.uk/Council/OtherServices/Public-Health-Coronavirus-COVID-19/Businesses-and-employers>

Brexit Advice: Support for non-UK European Citizens.

A checking service is being offered for residents required to go through the Home Office EU settlement scheme process.

For details visit: <https://www.iow.gov.uk/Council/OtherServices/Brexit/Information-about-the-UKs-departure-from-the>

Road Repairs.

In recent weeks a number of repairs have taken place in **Worsley Road**. In response, I have requested that resurfacing takes place later this year.

However, this may depend on the programme to extend Bucklers View. On this, I am in dialogue with Southern Housing who I am anticipating an update from in the coming weeks.

To note, in Worsley Road I have requested the relocation of a litter bin, repairs to a vehicular access and visibility splays from Church Road.

Elsewhere, I have also put out a call to Island Roads to upgrade the carriageway in **Crossfield Avenue**, which continues to deteriorate. In the meantime, I have requested an update from Island Roads on this Financial Year's carriageway resurfacing programme.

Highway Safety Traffic Regulation Order: Cowes.

With children returning to school last month, calls are continuing on implementing new Traffic Orders. These orders were initially agreed in August 2020. Because of Covid restrictions, lockdowns and elections these have been delayed until after the IW Council Elections.

As parents and residents are aware there has been a number of traffic incidents occurring outside **Gurnard Primary School** in the past few years, and tragically last month a child was hit by a van near to the school entrance. Whilst relieved the child was not badly hurt, this very much acts as a reminder as to why extra measures are needed to make Baring Road safer at school drop off and collection times.

In the meantime, can I please ask all motorists to proceed with caution outside all schools as there are very precious little people around and their safety is so, so important!!

Coastal Protection proposals: Cowes to Gurnard.

I received the following details regarding coastal protection works between Cowes and Gurnard.

'The future coastal defence scheme proposes refurbishing the existing continuous seawall over several kilometres from Cowes Parade to Gurnard (around Egypt Point), potentially using a sprayed-concrete strengthening technique (as has been used near Yaverland in the past) on the seaward-facing side of the wall, as this is the most affordable approach identified so far. The scheme is initially estimated to cost approximately £3.8m, comprised of £2m of anticipated national funding (Grant in Aid) and also requiring approx. £1.8m funding locally to unlock the national money, as proposed in the capital budget. This refurbishment scheme has initially been proposed to commence appraisal in 2027/28 and be completed in 2029/30. This estimated timing will however be based on need and funding availability.'

Although it seems like a lifetime ago (2016), when I was on the road as Executive (Cabinet) Member discussing this with stakeholders, the full document can be found here: <http://www.coastalwight.gov.uk/WWStrategy.htm>

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1st Gurnard Scout Group has 70 young people enjoying the programme being delivered by the volunteer leaders both via Zoom and soon back together outside.

The finances, safety checks and other important admin needed to run a successful Scout group is monitored and completed by the Group Executive, essentially our Board of Trustees.

The Executive meets once a quarter and has a secretary and treasurer along with leaders and parents representatives from each section.

We need a new Chair and I would welcome chatting to anyone who might consider taking on the role for us.

This link [Scouts - A Guide for the Group Chair](#) describes how the role could be delivered

Please give me a call if you would like to know more
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Thank you

Paul Savill

Group Scout Leader

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GURNARD FILM SOCIETY

Following an outdoor meeting of the GFS committee, we plan to open the doors of the Villa+ge Hall on **Friday 4th June** for a screening of **"MR HOLMES"** with Ian McKellen as the aged Sherlock Holmes in 2015 UK mystery drama.

To make up some lost time, **"THE WAY"** with Martin Sheen on the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage (2010 US Drama) will be screened on **Friday 18th June**.

The 2020-2021 season will finish with **"SLEUTH"**, with Laurence Olivier and Michael Caine in the 1972 UK mystery thriller on **Friday 2nd July**

If you had already made a booking for one or more of these films, it will be reserved for you. I will be contacting all of you with bookings and all who are on the GFS emailing list to enable you to confirm, cancel or to make a new booking. This will be around 17th May when we are sure that the Village Hall will be open. Posters for the two June films will be included in the June edition of Gurnard News

We must assume that until otherwise permitted the same requirements for social distancing, hand sanitisation etc will apply.

If you are not on the GFS emailing list, look out for a change of poster on The Village Hall Notice Board, or by the Village Shop Door.

To add your name to the list, contact gurnardfilmsociety@gmail.com

We are looking forward to seeing you again in June.

Janet White, on behalf of GFS.



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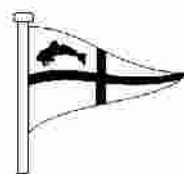
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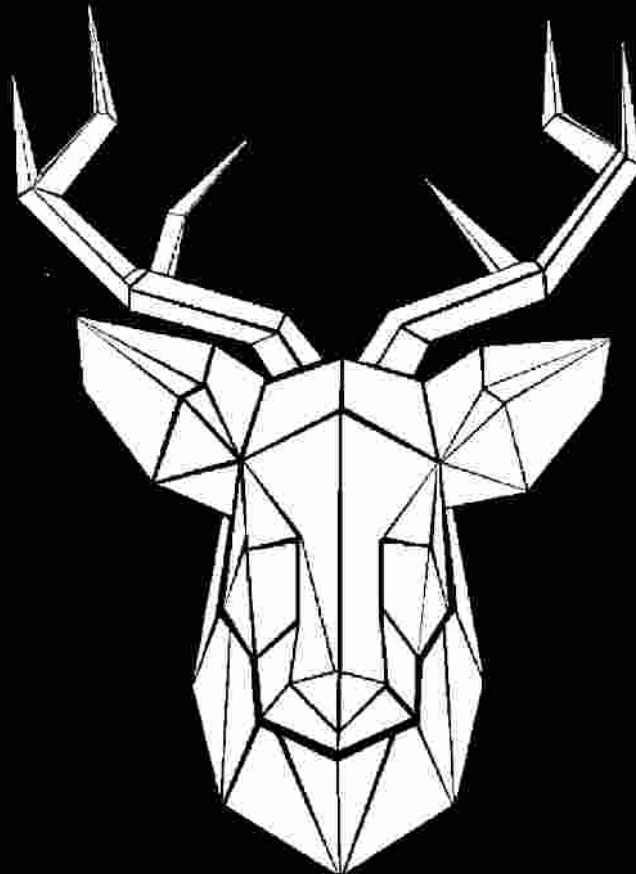
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