



# THE GURNARD NEWS

DECEMBER 2021/JANUARY 2022



WISHING YOU A BLESSED, PEACEFUL AND JOYOUS CHRISTMAS FROM ALL  
OF US AT ALL SAINTS, GURNARD / ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, NORTHWOOD

Your free monthly magazine collated for you by Gurnard church, bringing you news and events from the churches and organisations in and around the Parish of Gurnard.

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## A LETTER FROM ALL SAINTS'

### HELLO THERE!

So, we once again find ourselves in the month of December! I don't know about you, but I think this year has gone by so quickly.... it seems only like a few weeks ago when we were all enjoying the summer! And yet as I write this letter in Mid-November, I have already started seeing Christmas lights appear in windows and front gardens and I was told by a young girl in church a week ago that they had put up their Christmas tree the day before.

Traditionally in our family, we do not put up our Christmas tree until my Mum has had her birthday, which is 3<sup>rd</sup> December, as she never wanted it to be mixed up with Christmas – I get that and my heart always goes out to people who birthday is in December, especially late December! We have some other amusing traditions around Christmas – Chinese on Christmas Eve (no idea why, been that for decades, but now very grateful as that day is manic for me!), only stocking presents before breakfast (downside of being having a priest in the household who needs to go to work!), new clothes to wear on Christmas Day, Christmas cake is not cut until Boxing day (probably because we are always too full from Christmas Day lunch to contemplate eating anything else!!!), panto on 27<sup>th</sup> Dec (when I officially start my Christmas holidays!). That is just a few of them, what are your family traditions, and have you continued them when you left home and got a family of your own?

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**HOWEVER**, and this is a **BIG HOWEVER**, last year things changed.....with COVID restrictions in full swing November and ultimately over Christmas, a good number of our traditions were broken: Our tree, and notably my Mum's tree as well, were up early November, we opened some non-stocking presents before church, we had the TV on before the Queen's speech – admittedly it was just to connect to my folks via zoom so we could still have our Christmas lunch together but still, there was no panto.....and the Christmas cake?? Well, we had it when my family came over for the first time on Easter Day!

Was our Christmas ruined? Did the heavens fall because we didn't follow our traditions? No of course not. And as a result, I, and perhaps some of you too, will be looking at what we traditionally used to do and thinking 'Do we still want to do this tradition, or shall we make a new one?'

You may recall me telling you earlier in the year about how us Collinsons do not reserve pancakes just for Shrove Tuesday but continue to have them every first Saturday of the month. It's still great, we have not got bored of pancakes (like I ever thought that would happen!) and yet we still celebrated the beginning of Lent as everyone else does. Well, I am thinking I may do the same for my Christmas breakfast which is smoked salmon and scrambled egg on toasted bagels! Very decadent I know, but so yummy and if nothing else this whole pandemic time has taught us not to leave things to later but do them now. It has also reminded us to treat ourselves every now

and then, to be kind to ourselves as well as one another. And most importantly not to get 'stuck in rucks' that are not positive, helpful or useful in our lives. Don't keep on doing things that are not bringing joy into your lives or homes. Stop them and find something else which is joyous to do!

I am not going to worry too much about presents (ok I will still get stressed about getting the right thing for our boys, but that's it!), I am going to focus more on cards, visiting people, inviting others to our home. People are so much more important than possessions: that is the lesson we all have learnt this past year or so.

So, what are you going to do this Christmas to give you joy? Or for those of you grieving or struggling with health or experiencing ongoing treatment, what can you do to give yourself some comfort and peace. Hopefully with the return of all our Christmas services this year, we are able to provide you with a focussed service to help you with this – whether it is the fun and crazy Crib services or our reflective and often emotional Thanksgiving services for people who have lost loved ones or Candle-lit carol services.

What I do say is don't be on your own, don't be alone. Come to one of our Community Coffee and Chat mornings, the concerts happening in Gurnard church this month, pop into a café with a friend you haven't seen for a while, sit on the bus and go to the end of the line talking to as many different people as possible, play bingo in the Community Centre.... the list is endless. You do not have to be alone this

Christmas. But all of this requires a bit of effort from your side. As Barack Obama once said 'Don't wait for good things to happen to you. If you go out and make some good things happen, you will fill the world with hope, you will fill yourself with hope.' That's worth the effort surely?

*Wishing you a blessed, peaceful and joyous  
Christmas and a new year full of hope*

*Rev Amanda*



**Would you like to take part in All Saints' Church  
Hymn Lottery?**

It costs £1 per week and you can choose your hymn from a list of 100. We ask that you pay for 5 consecutive weeks (to ease administration). The winning hymn number will be drawn out each Sunday morning. The winner will receive half of the money in the kitty that week, with the other half going to the church.

**Interested? Please contact Rosemary Butler on 01983 200980 so that she can allocate you a hymn number.**

## **CHURCH SERVICES FOR ALL SAINTS'**

### **GURNARD'S CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2021**

We will hopefully have a normal Christmas this year (!!!!) but should we need to change anything we will advertise as widely and as soon as we can – so please do check on our Facebook page (**All Saints' church, Gurnard**) and website ([www.allsaintsgurnard.co.uk](http://www.allsaintsgurnard.co.uk)) if the national situation



changes. Our services continue to be live streamed, so you can watch from your home either on the day or later in the week. Our YouTube channel is called **Northwood, Gurnard and Cowes St Faiths parishes**. The link is as follows:  
[www.youtube.com/channel/UCpp6tQjtlusmJ10XEetGQqg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpp6tQjtlusmJ10XEetGQqg)

- 1<sup>st</sup> 10.30am Midweek Holy Communion
  
- 5<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Our service of light – with Christingles!  
3.00pm Our Community Christingle Service  
Collection of toys for Frontline
  
- 11<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Thanksgiving Service for people who have lost loved ones
  
- 12<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Holy Communion
  
- 15<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Midweek Holy Communion
  
- 19<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Service of the Word  
6.00pm Our Carol Concert
  
- 24<sup>th</sup> 4.00pm Our Crib Service – standby for the craziness to return! Come dressed as your favourite Christmas character and be prepared to get involved...  
11.00pm Midnight Mass
  
- 25<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Family Christmas Communion
  
- 26<sup>th</sup> **NO SERVICE**
  
- 29<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Midweek Holy Communion

**January 2022**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> 9.30am Our All Age worship
- 9<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Holy Communion
- 12<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Midweek Holy Communion
- 16<sup>th</sup> 9.30am A Service of the Word
- 23<sup>rd</sup> 9.30am Celtic Communion
- 26<sup>th</sup> 10.30am Midweek Holy Communion
- 30<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Saints Alive – Café Church



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

**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH,  
GURNARD**

**Coffee and Chat**  
in **Church** will be on  
**Thursday, December 23rd**  
and  
**Thursday, January 27th**  
from **10am** till **11.30am**.  
All welcome (and bring a friend?)



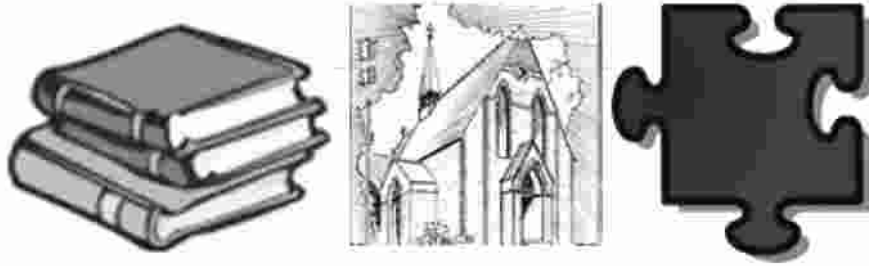
They're back !  
The Cowes Concert Band  
A Concert of Festive Music



All Saints' Church  
Gurnard  
Monday 6th December  
at 7.45pm

Refreshments and Raffle.  
Admission is free but a collection will be taken  
in aid of the church and the Band.





**It's back!!**  
**BOOK FAIR**

**(also Jigsaws)**


**Saturday 29th January**  
**11am - 2pm**

**All Saints' Church,**  
**Gurnard**

**Teas/Coffees    Soup lunches**

**All contributions of books and/or jigsaws  
gratefully received.**



**Please leave at back of Church (open daily 10-4)  
during January or, for further information, ring  
Wendy Peskett 292145, Stephen Weekes 241180  
or Rosemary Butler 200980.**



Simon Langton Grammar School for Boys, Canterbury

# Chamber Choir

Directed by Emily Renshaw

Our SATB choir of age 11-18 boys and girls will be performing a mix of sacred and secular choral music, and our programme will also include some musical Christmas treats for this advent season.

**Friday 3rd December 7pm**

All Saints' Church, Gurnard, PO31 8JA



Retiring collection for church funds



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**The BECKFORD CENTRE in COWES would be pleased to see new faces at**

**The Island's Past – Monday 10.00am**

**Art for All – Monday 1.30pm and Thursday 1.30pm**

**Crafty Cowes – Tuesday 10.00am**

**Stitch craft – Tuesday 2.00pm**

**Simply Photography – every other Wednesday 2.00pm**

**Discussion Group – Thursday 10.00am**

**For more information please contact the Centre on 294744 or e-mail  
[beckfordcentre@outlook.com](mailto:beckfordcentre@outlook.com)**

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| <b>USEFUL NAMES &amp; TELEPHONE NUMBERS</b> |
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| 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                      | 293341       |
| 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                      |                              |              |
| Local Neighbourhood Watch                                 | Nicki Wood                        |                              | 292690       |
| All Saints' Vicar   | Rev'd Amanda Collinson            |                              | 294913       |
|   | Email amandacollinson01@gmail.com |                              |              |
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| All Saints' Church, Secretary                             | Mrs Rosemary Butler               |                              | 200980       |
| All Saints' Church, Treasurer                             | Mrs Wendy Peskett                 |                              | 292145       |
| All Saints' Church, Organist                              | Mrs Yvonne Mills                  |                              | 292256       |
| 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       |
| Gurnard Village Cottage Garden Society                    | Mrs Emma Glasbey                  |                              | 293130       |
| Gurnard in Bloom  | Jennie Lewis                      |                              | 643323       |
| Gurnard Sailing Club Membership Secretary, Claire Bradley |                                   | 07771 546146                 |              |
|   | membership@gurnardsc.org.uk       |                              |              |
| IOW Councillor  | Mr. Paul Fuller                   |                              | 289595       |
| Island Member of Parliament                               | Mr. Bob Seely.                    |                              | 01983 220220 |
| Gurnard Parish Council                                    | Mrs Katie Riley                   |                              | 07305 013718 |
| Email gurnardparishcouncil@gmail.com                      | Parish Council website            | www.gurnardpc.co.uk          |              |
| The Elephant Club   | Mandy Miller                      |                              | 291185       |
| 1st Gurnard Brownies                                      | Mrs Jessica Smith                 |                              | 506254       |
| Gurnard Scouts  | Mrs Belinda Savill                |                              | 293481       |
| 1st Gurnard Guides  | Mrs Helen Coleman                 |                              | 506254       |
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 \* **Gurnard Village Cottage Garden Society** \*  
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 \* **MEETINGS CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** \*  
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**Report from Paul Fuller, Independent Isle of Wight Councillor for  
Cowes West & Gurnard.**

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**Please visit my website: paulfullercc.blogspot.com**

**Surgeries:**

10:30-11am; Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, Gurnard Press, Worsley Road, Gurnard.  
5:30-6pm; Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December, Isle of Wight Community Club, Park Road, Cowes.  
5:30-6pm; Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January, Isle of Wight Community Club, Park Road, Cowes.  
10:30-11am; Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January, Gurnard Press, Worsley Road, Gurnard.  
5:30-6pm, Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January, The Portland, Worsley Road, Gurnard.  
5:30-6pm, Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January The Portland, Worsley Road, Gurnard.  
10:30-11am, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January, All Saints Church Coffee & Chat, Gurnard.  
11:30am-12pm, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January, Egon's, 85 High Street, Cowes

***Wishing all residents a warm, happy and peaceful Christmas and New Year.***

As many residents are aware the last couple of months has proved a challenge due to personal circumstances. As a result of this and isolation brought about from contracting Covid, I am adapting!

Consequently, as Councillor I will be prioritising local matters. In recent months, I've spent 2-3 days a week dealing with issues from other wards. This will stop unless there is a Planning link, or in areas where I'm a Parish/ Town Councillor. In the meantime, thank you to everybody for their ongoing support!

In the meantime please visit: <http://paulfullercc.blogspot.com/> for Christmas updates.

**Toilets.**

I continue to receive feedback from Southern Water who request that residents please not to dispose of fats, wet wipes, rags, sanitary equipment, etc. in toilets. According to Southern Water, Gurnard is one of the worst areas in the region for this, and although repairs have taken place over recent months the issue with block-ages continue.

Please note the depositing of 'non-toilet' items not only applies to residential toilets, but also to outside drains and gullies where some residents have been spotted disposing of paint, fats and household waste.

**The Jordan Grille, Shore Road.**

The ongoing saga to content with the removal of the grille continued to cause an issue for me. Following the support of the EA the Isle of Wight Council removed the grille before winter storms set in.

### **Planning Applications.**

- **The Dottens.** This application has been refused.
- **Cockleton Lane (Ref: 21/01747/FUL). Proposed 6 dwellings.** This application has been called into the Planning Committee for consideration, should officer be mindful of approving this application.
- **Place Road:** 14 dwellings, Former Poultry Farm, Land adj. 77 Place Road. Ref: 20/02229/OUT. I have raised concerns over proposals for the former Poultry Farm in **Place Road** where I've expressed concerns over the lack of affordable homes and coalescence.
- **5G Transmitter, Baring Road.** I have relayed residents concerned with this application.

### **Cowes Enterprise College.**

As always it was brilliant to attend the College to listen to students about their designs and ideas as part of their GCSE Design Technology Course.

### **Immunisations:**

Last month these were proving difficult as demand overwhelmed supply for Flu Jabs. For details of pharmacies visit: <https://www.iow.nhs.uk/contact-us/useful-numbers-and-addresses/isle-of-wight-pharmacies.htm>

Details regarding covid boosters can be found at: <https://www.nhs.uk/covid-boosters>

Details will be available in the Hard Copy of my December report available from Cowes Library.

### **Drones.**

I continue to receive calls concerning use of drones, please note the following rules apply to their use:

- Your drone must weigh under 20kg
- You can't fly above 400 feet in altitude or 500 metres from you horizontally
- Ensure your drone is always in sight
- Always keep away from aircraft, helicopters, airports and airfields
- Use your common sense and fly your aircraft safely
- Any drone weighing more than 250 grams must be registered with the CAA and the drone pilot must complete an online safety test, obtaining a Flyer ID and an Operator ID that should be attached to the Drone.
- You must not fly within 50 metres of people, vehicles, buildings or vessels
- Your drone must not be flown within 150 metres of a congested area or any large group of people such as a concert or sporting event as you may be prosecuted
- If you intend to record in an area where people are, you must inform them before you start, as you will need to respect privacy, or risk being prosecuted

If your drone is fitted with a camera there are additional regulations you must follow.

- You must not fly within 50 metres of people, vehicles, buildings or vessels
- Your drone must not be flown within 150 metres of a congested area or any large group of people such as a concert or sporting event as you may be prosecuted.
- If you intend to record in an area where people are, you must inform them before you start.
- If you intend to use the drone for commercial purposes you must have permission from the CAA and comply with additional laws governing their use.

To get guidance on operating permissions for drones see the CAA's website for the latest information and regulations regarding drone use.

**Top Tips from the Footprint Trust to help you keep Warm & Safe this Winter.**

OFGEN has reported that for 15 million Energy Customers, Bills will increase as from 1<sup>st</sup> October. This follows an increase to the Fuel Cap which OFGEN negotiates with energy supplies At the moment to counter these increases a number of independent search engines can help customers get the best deal. These include: <https://www.moneysavingexpert.com/> and <http://www.uswitch.com/> Tel: 0800 688 8557

In addition to the above, The Footprint Trust advises:

- Talk to your energy company. Are you on the best deal? Can you get the £140 Warm Home Discount?
- Keep safe in a power cut or water failure. Join the free Priority Service Register call 0800 294 3259 or visit [www.ssen.co.uk/psr/southernwater](http://www.ssen.co.uk/psr/southernwater)
- Lag your water pipes
- Save £200 per year on utility costs! Talk to the Warm Island team at the Footprint Trust on **01983 822282** or email: [info@footprint-trust.co.uk](mailto:info@footprint-trust.co.uk).
- Phone 0800 027 0800 and ask about the Watersure tariff if you have a disability or high water use due to illness.
- Make sure your torch is charged, and you have spare batteries.
- Keep a supply of tinned and non-perishable goods in case extreme weather prevents you going out to the shops
- Make sure you have enough medicine; don't leave re-ordering to the last minute.
- Keep important phone numbers on your fridge

**Useful Helplines:** If you are worried about your Fuel Bills call

**The Footprint Trust** on 01983 822282.

**Islehelp** for advice and information on benefits, money issues, rent concerns.

Telephone: 01983 823859/ 823898; Website: [www.islehelp.me](http://www.islehelp.me); Email:

[enquiries@iwcab.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@iwcab.org.uk)

**Isle of Wight Council** Covid-19 Support Telephone: 01983 823600

Struggling on your pension? You may be entitled to more money.

**Pension Credit** helpline 0800 991 234.





**Regular Groups from September 1st 2021  
to join a group pop in or contact  
gurnardparishcouncil@gmail.com**

**MONDAY**

**9.30 - 11am Yoga (Judith Didham)  
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 Cleary)  
(3 times a year from 12 to 3pm Village Lunch. W.I.)  
2 -4 pm WI Choir Suzanne Longstone  
5.45 - 7.15 Yoga (Elizabeth Bolwell)  
7.30 - 9.00 p.m. International Dance (Mavis Bownas)**

**WEDNESDAY**

**10-12 noon Art Group (Tony Westmore)  
1st 7.30 - 9.30 p.m. Gurnard Cottage Garden Society  
(Emma Glasbey)  
2nd and last 5 pm to 8 pm Gurnard Parish Council  
(Katie Riley)  
3rd Gurnard Bay W.I. 6.30 - 9.30 p.m. (Judith Westbrook)**

**THURSDAY**

**9.30 - 11 am Yoga (Judith Didham)  
12 - 1.30 Keep Active Exercise Group (Andy Savage)  
2 - 4pm 1st Thursday Circle Dancing Elephant club  
(Mandy Miller)  
4th Thursday 2-4pm Creative Writing (Chris Lund)**


**FRIDAY**

**9. - 11.30 am Parents and Toddlers (Polly Segar & Sally France)  
12 - 1. 30 Yoga (E Bolwell)  
2- 4 p.m. Solent Singers (ladies) (Suzanne Longstone)  
7 p.m. Gurnard Film Society (Janet White) 1st Friday in month**

The Village Hall may be hired subject to Terms and Conditions see  
[www.gurnardpc.co.uk](http://www.gurnardpc.co.uk) (discounts may be available)

**RECYCLING PILL PACKETS****Great News**

You can now pop into the church with any you have to dispose of.




**Gurnard Community Choir**  
 & The **NHS** Nightingales  
 along with special guests, present

**Jingle all the way!**

A fun-filled evening of beautiful choral Christmas music of every genre to warm your heart and fill you with festive spirit! There will also be a licensed bar selling wine, beer, soft drinks with mince pies and a rather marvellous raffle, too!

**All Saints' Church, Gurnard.**  
**Tues. 14 Dec. 2021**  
**7pm**

Tickets £6 available by 'phoning 01 983 297472 with a limited number available on the door.

**Rotary**  **Club of Cowes**



## **GURNARD PARISH COUNCIL REPORT**

### **Litter Pick**

A huge thank you to Plaza Ices and the 20 plus volunteers who came out to help with a litter pick in October. Even the sun came out which was fantastic on an otherwise very wet and blustery weekend. We will arrange another litter pick soon, in the Spring if not before.

### **Defibrillator Training**

A *Defibrillator* Training session (run by the Ambulance service and funded by the Parish Council) was well attended by 13 members of the public in November. The course proved very popular and apologies to anyone who wasn't able to gain a place on this occasion.

### **Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan**

The Parish Council has agreed to work in partnership with Cowes Town Council and Northwood Parish Council on a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure. This we hope will enable residents to benefit from access through Cowes to Northwood and Gurnard, and provide better provision for walking and cycling throughout.

### **Old School Meadow**

Following a meeting of the Old School Meadow Working group, new fencing and gates are due to be put in place shortly at Old School Meadow to prevent dogs entering the mud kitchen and orchard area.

### **New path, benches and refurbishment**

Work is due to start (if not already complete by publication) on an accessible pathway to the concrete plinth and seating area at the bottom of Gurnard Green. We are eagerly waiting for 7 new benches to be installed on the Esplanade following a successful Welcome Back Fund application, and are due to refurbish the railings around the village clock and benches around the toilets on the Green, all of which we hope to be ready in time for the spring.

### **Next Parish Council Meeting**

The next full Parish Council meeting will be held in the village hall at **6.30 pm** on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 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](http://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](mailto:gurnardparishcouncil@gmail.com)



**Northwood Church**  
**COMMUNITY COFFEE AND CHAT**  
 on **Thursday 9th December 2021**

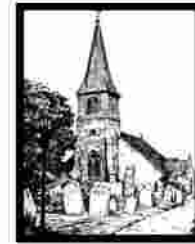
**And**

**Thursday 13th January 2022**

**At Northwood Scout Hut 2pm-4pm**

Why not come and join us for a **free** cuppa  
 and bring a friend

You will be most welcome



### **Community – Coffee, Craft and Cake**

You'll find a warm, friendly welcome at our Coffee, Craft and Cake gathering.

Every first Thursday of the month

**10am-12pm Northwood Scout Hut**

Bring your own projects to finish. Share hints, tips and ideas amongst friends.

Craft Magazine swap available too!

Free entry and refreshments

In association with Northwood Church

### **Christmas craft evening**

The last craft evening of the year is on .

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 7.30pm**

Table centrepiece for Christmas day. £15.00

**Numbers are limited so if you are interested,  
 please call Pat on 01983 526385 to book your place.**

**Tea @ 3 is Back**

**30<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**At The Northwood Village Hall**

Why not come and join us for a **free** cuppa and cake,  
 bring a friend You will be most welcome

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Gurnard Bay WI Monthly meeting at Gurnard Village Hall,  
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We then washed away the paint splatters (!) and relaxed with a cup of tea and a good chat. The meeting ended with a reminder that the entertainment for our Christmas meeting on Wednesday, 15th December would be a Ukelele band.

New members always welcome.

### **CIRCLE DANCING**



All Saints Monthly Circle Dancing Sessions

The next two meetings will be on:

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021 and

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022

2.15 – 3.45 pm

Gurnard Village Hall, Worsley Road

These sessions are gentle, supported, exercises in simple dance format, currently seated.

As part of our ELEPHANT CLUB programme, the Circle Dancing sessions offer the same warm welcome and friendly encouragement to all of our memory-challenged guests, and their carers.

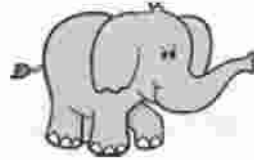
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# THE ELEPHANT CLUB



is running again. Next meetings are on:

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2021 and  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2022

2:00 – 4:00pm

in

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The Elephant Club is a free monthly meeting  
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# Gurnard Film Society



## Programme January to March 2022

Screenings are monthly in Gurnard Village Hall, with 1 extra in January and none in August.  
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|  | <p><b>THE STATION AGENT</b><br/>Cert 15 1hr 29mins</p> <p>Friday 7<sup>th</sup><br/>January</p> | <p>2003 Comedy Drama US</p> <p>Unlikely friendships develop when three people for very different reasons are drawn together at an abandoned train station in a place called Newfoundland, New Jersey.</p> <p>Director: Tom McCarthy</p>   |
|  | <p><b>EFFIE GRAY</b><br/>Cert 12 1hr 44 mins</p> <p>Friday 21<sup>st</sup><br/>January</p>      | <p>2014 Biopic UK</p> <p>A nuanced, delicate yet unsettling study of the marriage in 1848 of Effie Gray (Dakota Fanning) to John Ruskin (Greg Wise), and her scandalous relationship with John Everett Millais (Tom Sturridge)</p> <p>Written by Emma Thompson</p> <p>Director - Richard Laxton</p>   |
|  | <p><b>IL POSTINO</b><br/>Cert 14 1hr 56 mins</p> <p>Friday 4<sup>th</sup><br/>February</p>      | <p>1994 Romantic Drama Italian<br/><i>Italian with English subtitles.</i></p> <p>When a famous poet is exiled from his native Chile and comes to live on a small Italian island, a new postman is hired to deal with the sudden increase in post. This quiet, innocent and humorous film explores their developing relationship and the changes it brings.</p> <p>Director: Michael Redford</p> |
|  | <p><b>NOMADLAND</b><br/>Cert 12A 1hr 48mins</p> <p>Friday 4<sup>th</sup><br/>March</p>          | <p>2020 Drama US</p> <p>A woman in her sixties who, after losing everything in the Great Recession, embarks on a journey through the American West, living as a van-dwelling modern-day nomad. Starring Frances McDormand as Fern.</p> <p>Director: Chloe Zhao</p>  |



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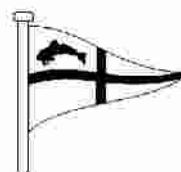
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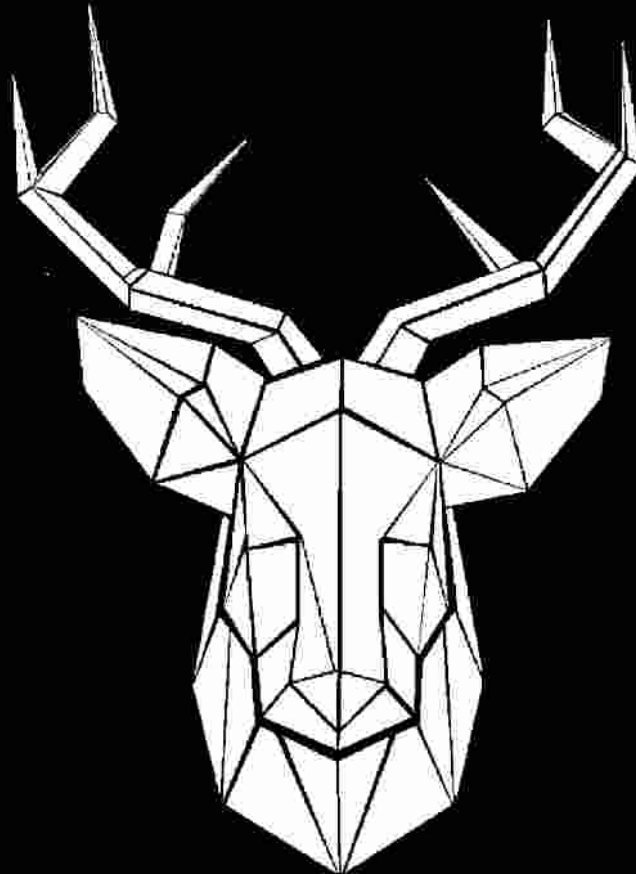
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