



# THE GURNARD NEWS

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**"He was known to them in the breaking of bread."**

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'

### ***Now is Christ Risen from the dead.***

The Resurrection is not just something that happened 2000 years ago, it is a present reality for us today. The earliest Christians, the Disciples, knew the presence of the Risen Christ with them, so can we today. The Resurrection appearances to them can give us some clues and help us to know the Risen Lord when he appears to us. His presence was real and physical, but he was different, changed, at first, people did not always recognise him. In the garden, by the empty tomb on that first Easter Day, Mary Magdalene did not recognise Jesus, she thought that he was the gardener. It was only when Jesus called her by name that she realised who he was.

There may be times, when we, like Mary, are overcome with sorrow and grief, and Christ comes to us, calls us by name, and we recognise his presence with us. There were the Disciples on the road to Emmaus, for whom Christ was a stranger until they knew him in the breaking of bread, so he is with us in the bread and wine of the Holy Communion. Those Disciples fishing on the Lake were going about their every day business when they saw Jesus on the shore, so may we, when Christ calls us to believe and to do. Will we recognise him and his call, and respond in the way that Mary and the Disciples did?

We may see the Risen Lord in some way, and the Risen and Glorious Christ is different, we are given the gift of faith, we may not see the Lord in quite the same way as the

Disciples did, though there have been Christians down the ages who have been granted a vision of Christ in glory, possibly the first of these was St. Paul on the road to Damascus, the vision being so bright, that he was temporarily blinded! The difference in the Risen Christ is important, and it shows the new relationship of Christ with us, that of the Risen and Glorious Lord of the Church, that is now his earthly body.

Through Christ, all creation is brought into a new relationship with God, the whole of creation will be redeemed, fulfil the potential that God has given it. This is why the physical fact of the Resurrection is so important; there will be a physical as well as a spiritual transformation. The glorious body of Christ, though changed, still bears the marks of his suffering, because they belong to him, tell us about him and what he has done for us. If we look at the figure of Christus Rex, Christ the King, Christ in Majesty, that is in All Saints' Gurnard, there are the wounds of the nails in his hands and feet.

Time and space no longer bind the Risen and Glorious Christ, at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel he says: "Lo, I am with you always, to the end of time."

We can see the Risen Lord with the eyes of faith, he reveals himself to us in different ways, God wills us to believe, and gives to us the gift of the Holy Spirit. Christ is the same, yesterday, today and for ever. His presence is with us always, and he comes to us in all places, times and situations.

We must greet the Risen Christ, like the Disciples who saw him on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, when out fishing, they were not certain at first, but then the Spirit revealed who it was, and up went the shout of faith, "It is the Lord!" So it should be for us, recognising the presence of Christ with us, so that like doubting Thomas we can say, "My Lord and my God!"

***For NOW it is Christ Risen from the dead!***

*With blessing for this month and Easter time*

*Rev David Heatley*

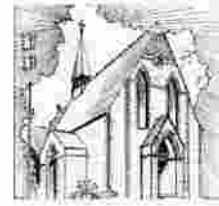
If you would rather watch a service from your home, please do look on our YouTube channel - **Northwood, Gurnard and Cowes St Faiths parishes**. We live stream every Sunday but all our services remain on there should you wish to 'Catch up'! The link is as follows: [www.youtube.com/channel/UCpp6tQjtlusmJ10XEetGQgg](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpp6tQjtlusmJ10XEetGQgg)



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

**THE GARDEN ROOM AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH.**  
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**CHURCH SERVICES FOR ALL SAINTS'****April 2023****2<sup>nd</sup> Palm Sunday**

9.30am All Age Worship

**7<sup>th</sup> GOOD FRIDAY**

2.00pm Meditation

**9<sup>th</sup> EASTER DAY**

6.15am Sunrise Service at Gurnard Beach

9.30am Easter Day Communion service

**12<sup>th</sup> Wednesday**

10.30am Holy Communion

**16<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9.30am A Service of the Word

**23<sup>rd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9.30am Celtic Communion

**26<sup>th</sup> Wednesday**

10.30am Holy Communion

**30<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**

9.30am Café Church

**Our Junior Church continues to meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays.**

**Item for Gurnard News:****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.**



**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH**  
**GURNARD**  
**Coffee and Chat**  
**in Church will be on**  
**Thursday April 27th**  
**from 10am till 11.30am.**  
**All welcome (and bring a friend?)**

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

You can now pop into the church and drop off any of those packets with the silver foil

## THE ELEPHANT CLUB



Next meetings are on:

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2022  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 and  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022

2:00 – 4:00pm

in

The Garden Room, All Saints' Church, Gurnard

The Elephant Club is a free monthly meeting providing a gentle, friendly group activity that helps you exercise your memory muscles

Tea and Refreshments are included

Just come along and have some fun!

For information call Mandy on

07812 131359

## CIRCLE DANCING



All Saints Monthly Circle Dancing Sessions

The next two meetings will be on:

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022 and  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2022

2.15 – 3.45 pm

**(there will be no Circle Dancing in September)**

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 our memory-challenged guests, and their carers.

No special clothing, equipment or ability is required.

Free tea and refreshments are provided

For information, please contact Mandy on

07812 131359



### **The Friends of Northwood Cemetery**

are hosting their regular monthly Coffee Morning  
in the West Chapel at Northwood Cemetery  
on **FRIDAY April 7th** between **10.00am and 1.00pm.**

**This months will see the launch of a new book on the Cemetery and a  
photographic exhibition of Northwood Cemetery " Through the Ages "**

All are welcome,  
refreshments are free but donations are appreciated.

Any queries to Tony Butt on 295807



### **GURNARD BAY WI MEETING**

Tracy Dove visited us again with an incredibly  
interesting talk about Madagascar, the 'Jewel in the  
Indian Ocean.'

We learnt that the Island is approximately the same  
size as France and it is such an isolated island that more than 90% of the plants  
and over 80% of the animals are only found in Madagascar. Tracy works with a  
group called, 'Madagascar Fauna and Flora Group (MFG for short) which protects  
the rich biodiversity of eastern Madagascar through conservation, research,  
education and capacity building.

Book Club: The unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry was the book we read this month  
and we all thought it was a thoroughly enjoyable read. Although it started in a  
rather odd way, we loved Harolds 'pilgrimage' through the country and wept when  
we realised the reason for his journey. We scored it 9/10 and would certainly  
recommend it. Incidentally, the book is being made into a film starring Jim  
Broadbent and Penelope Wilton so we will take a trip to the cinema when it is  
released.

The recent Village Lunch was well attended again and is open to anyone in the  
Village. As soon as we know the date of our next Lunch, we will let people know  
through these pages.





**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** May 20, 11am-2pm, Table top sale – Bric-a-brac, cakes, raffle etc. Light lunches.

Please note that we will be having a book sale in September, so plenty of time to have a sort out!

### **GURNARD IN BLOOM**

Our village is looking lovely at the moment with fantastic colour from the many daffodils bobbing around to cheer us all.

After Easter it would be good to get teams together to have a good tidy up, weed beds and get planters re-planted. If you are not already involved and would like to be, please send me an email - [jalewis2111@gmail.com](mailto:jalewis2111@gmail.com) - with details of any days/times you have available and where you live in the village.

If you can spare a couple of hours to help with tidying, weeding, planting and, once we get planters re-planted, watering - that would be much appreciated. If you have any plants you can donate this would also be welcomed - especially succulents/cactus for a new idea for one of the planters.

Here's to a lovely summer and to getting our village back to pretty and colourful.

Thanks in advance for any help you can give.

Jennie Lewis

Gurnard in Bloom Volunteer

### **COWES HERITAGE AND COMMUNITY GROUP BECKFORD CENTRE**

**Monday 10-12. Our Island History**

**Thursday 10-12 Current Affairs**

**Thursday 1.30-3.30 Art for All**

**More groups being planned.**

**\* £2 per session**

**\* £10 annual subscription (due from your third visit please)**

**Call 244180 or email [Beckford.centre@chcg.com](mailto:Beckford.centre@chcg.com)**

## GURNARD VILLAGE HALL

Mar23/4

For enquiries about individual activities, contact the relevant leader.  
For hall bookings or enquiries contact [gvhabookings@outlook.com](mailto:gvhabookings@outlook.com)

<b>MONDAY</b>		
09.30 - 11.00	<b>YOGA</b>	Judith Didham. 716144 or 07748 977634
13.30 - 15.30	<b>ART GROUP</b>	Tony Westmore 295550
17.00 - 18.00	<b>TAE KWAN-DO</b>	Pete Scotcher 07791 068079
19.00 - 21.00	<b>COWES ART GROUP</b>	Ian Dawkins <i>Fully subscribed</i>
<b>TUESDAY</b>		
10.00 - 12.00	<b>SPINNEY QUILTERS</b>	Val Cleary. <i>Fully subscribed</i>
12.30 - 13.30	<b>BALANCE AND GLO</b> movement for babies & parents	Evelyn Hichens <a href="mailto:evelyn@balanceandglo.com">evelyn@balanceandglo.com</a>
17.45 - 19.15	<b>YOGA</b>	Elizabeth Bolwell 07817 050893
19.30 - 21.30	<b>INTERNATIONAL DANCE</b>	Mavis Bownas 291134
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		
10.00 - 12.00	<b>ART GROUP</b>	Tony Westmore 295550
12.00 - 15.00	3 X yearly <b>W.I. VILLAGE LUNCH</b> 4th Wednes.	June Butchers 294366
14.00 - 16.00	<b>CYBER CAFE</b> 2nd & 4th Wednesday	Paul Clark 07961 030068
16.30 - 17.45	<b>QIGONG</b>	Lisa Roberts 07590681585
18.15 - 22.00	<b>GURNARD PARISH COUNCIL</b> 2nd & last Wednesday	Katie Riley 07305 013718
18.30 - 21.30	<b>GURNARD BAY W.I.</b> 3rd Wednesday	Judith Westbrook 295690
<b>THURSDAY</b>		
09.30 - 11.00	<b>YOGA</b>	Judith Didham 716144 or 07748 977634
12.00 - 13.00	<b>KEEP ACTIVE</b> Exercise Group	Andrew Savage 810932 or 07779 616189
14.00 - 16.00	<b>CREATIVE WRITING</b> 4th Thursday	Chris Lund 07480 521200
14.15 - 15.45	<b>CIRCLE DANCING</b> The Elephant Club 1st Thursday	Mandy Miller 07812 131359
17.45 - 18.45	<b>PILATES</b>	Nicola 07834 178154
19.15 - 20.45	<b>YOGA</b> 1st Thursday	Elizabeth Bolwell 07817 050893
<b>FRIDAY</b>		
09.30 - 11.00	<b>PARENT &amp; TODDLER GROUP</b>	 'Gurnard Parent and Toddler Group' <a href="mailto:vanessalouiseshuttleworth@yahoo.com">vanessalouiseshuttleworth@yahoo.com</a>
12.00 - 13.30	<b>YOGA</b>	Elizabeth Bolwell 07817 050893
14.00 - 16.00	<b>SOLENT SINGERS</b> Ladies Choir	Suzanne Longstone 290225
19.30	<b>FILM SOCIETY</b> 1st Friday	Janet White 240615

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### **COWES AMATEUR OPERATIC AND DRAMATIC SOCIETY [CAODS],**

*is delighted that the  
highly successful **PHOENIX CHOIR** will be performing a  
fundraising concert at  
**Trinity Theatre at 7:30pm on Saturday April 22nd**  
in aid of the roof appeal."*

*In addition to music from other genres, the mixed choir will  
be singing a variety of songs from musicals and films  
including 'Phantom Of The Opera', 'Cats', 'Fiddler On The Roof', 'Gladiator', 'The  
Lion King', 'Cabaret' and Lloyd Webber's 'Requiem'.*

*Admission is free with a retiring collection.*

## 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	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 <a href="mailto:amandacollinson01@gmail.com">amandacollinson01@gmail.com</a>		
All Saints' Church, Curate	Rev'd Diana Netherway		298505
All Saints' Churchwarden	Mrs Sandie Munt		295258
All Saints' Church, Secretary	Mrs Rosemary Butler		200980
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Gurnard Primary School (website)	<a href="http://www.gurnardprimaryschool.co.uk">www.gurnardprimaryschool.co.uk</a>		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 Village Hall	General enquiries		508933
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**Surgeries.**

4:30-5pm, Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, Cowes Library, Beckford Road, Cowes.  
5:30-6pm, Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April, Isle of Wight Community Club, Park Road, Cowes.  
11:30-12:15pm, Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April, The Pavilion, Gurnard Pines, Gurnard.  
3-3:30pm, Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April, Village Hall, Newport Road, Northwood.  
10:30-11am, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April, Benches adj. Watersedge Kiosk, Gurnard.  
(Weather Permitting)  
11:15-11:45am, Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April, The Woodvale, Princes Esplanade, Gurnard.  
5:30-6pm, Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April, The Portland, Worsley Road, Gurnard.  
10:30-11am, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April, Coffee & Chat, All Saints Church, Tuttons Hill,  
Gurnard.  
11:30-12pm, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April, Eegons, 85 High Street, Cowes

**Gurnard Pines**

Gurnard Pines are due to re-open part of their leisure complex on 1<sup>st</sup> April.  
In the meantime, I'm advised the owner was liaising with stakeholders concerning the pool and its future. I know from the IW Council's perspective maintaining pools during the fuel crisis has proved challenging. In the meantime, I am supporting individuals who have approached our MP.

**Southern Water: Water Butts.**

According to Southern Water, the take up of water butts has not been as extensive as was hoped. This may or may not have had something to do with how the company has door-stepped midweek! If you require a water butt and live in Solent View Road, Albert Road, Worsley Road, Church Road, Baring Road, Woodvale Road, Woodvale Close, Shore Road, Jordan Close, Hilton Road, Shore Road, Solent Lawns or Gurnard Pines please let me know, and I'll be happy to contact Southern Water direct on your behalf!

On a positive note, to also reduce surface water flooding Southern Water has commissioned planters at Gurnard Pines, Gurnard Village Hall and Bucklers View!

**Woodland Clearance.**

I received calls over woodland clearance that took place to the west of Gurnard

Heights. This work was carried out outside the bird nesting season and on private non-protected woodland. I was advised this work was necessary to clear gorse and undergrowth.

#### **Bucklers View Redevelopment.**

Southern Housing has written to residents to advise that 'a decision has been made that we will not be proceeding with the project. They add 'this is largely due to challenges faced by the construction industry globally that have started to impact local projects'.

#### **Military Road.**

Last year Island Roads submitted a planning application to protect Military Road to prevent the road being severed by coastal erosion. As a result, Government objected, due to the impact this would have once the barrier becomes exposed as surrounding land falls away. At the meeting it was emphasised that land north of the road was not protected. Because of this, I'm hopeful that through negotiation a solution can be found to safeguard this iconic road.

#### **Lynnbottom.**

A number of disabled residents have contacted me regarding access to the Council's tips. Please if you're struggling to book a slot, call Waste Services on 01983 823777.

#### **Waste Services: Collection Plus Service.**

The Collection Plus service (which costs £65) allows you to have your domestic wheeled bins or reusable sacks collected from an agreed point on your property. This could be the side of your house, instead of being required to place them on the kerbside. Apply online or call Waste services.

Collection Plus benefits residents who: 1. work away from home during the week; 2. work irregular shift patterns; 3. Are second home owners or for 4. residents that are elderly. (To note this service is free for residents that have mobility issues) Apply online, or call Waste services.

#### **IW Council Budget.**

Unusually for me, I was told off for my tone suggesting the Council's recent budget was a bit rubbish. As IW Councillor this was my 20<sup>th</sup> budget, and for a good many years Councillors use Full Council to celebrate how budgets will enable the pursuit of 'exciting projects to be proud of'!

This year, however the Council had to make tough decisions. These included whether to support Fall Prevention Measures, Stroke Prevention, cuts to the book fund for libraries to balance its budget. These decisions came about following the Autumn Statement which offered the IWC £1.2m less than anticipated.

### **Second Homes.**

Government are considering allowing for local authorities to increase Council Tax contributions from Second Homes. Proposals were discussed and considered by the Council's Cabinet and Full Council.

Locally 3.95% of properties on the Island are second homes. In Cowes West and Gurnard this is higher at 4.72%. Locally a further 1.5% of residences are holiday lettings, whilst 1% classed as empty properties.

As yet this is not legislation. However, please let me know your thoughts.

### **Parkhurst Forest.**

Further instances of dog poisoning have taken place at entrances to Parkhurst Forest. If you are walking your dog in the Forest, be aware, keep your dog under control, nearby and monitored at all times. In the meantime, please report instances to the police

### **Also this month:**

- I met with the Chairman of the **Cowes Waterfront Trust** and discussed the challenges, and the need for the community to work alongside the Trust. The meeting came about following questions being raised by Town Council.
- Further to last month's report on **unmade roads**, I continue to liaise with officers on the impact this will have upon residents.
- As local IW Councillor, I've been asked to intervene on community access to the Lottery Funded **Winder Hall** at Cowes Enterprise College.
- I continue to receive complaints over '**near misses**' from **cycles** in Cowes High Street. On this, I am persevering with Island Roads about High Street markings (previously rejected by them!). In addition, I continue making approaches concerning **e-scooters**.
- Having witnessed the deteriorating condition of **Worsley Road**, I'm requesting improved monitoring. This follows the road (alongside others) being shelved from Island Roads' resurfacing programme.
- Please visit: <https://beta.iow.gov.uk/keep-the-island-safe/cost-of-living/> for details from the IW Council on **Cost of Living support**. To note support is not always means tested, and it's always worth talking to someone to see what help there is. For details call: 01983 823134.





## **FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES & EVENTS AT COWES LIBRARY**

### **Mondays**

Weekly Rhyme Time for babies & toddlers 11 - 11.30am. A fun session of songs and rhymes! It's free and there is no need to book. Cowes Library Games Club for Adults every first and third Monday of the month 10am - 12pm. Play an assortment of board games or cards with a friendly group. Refreshments

provided. It's free so just pop along. April 4th 2- 4pm EF Isle of Wight Easter Craft Workshop for all ages, including facepainting. Enjoy free fun crafts and also find out what EF hosting is all about.

### **Tuesdays**

Tuesday Chess at Cowes Library 2 - 5pm. For all ages, if you are interested in playing or want to learn, contact Cowes Library for more information on 01983 293341 or just come along. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Wednesdays**

Philo Café. Philosophical discussion group held on the 1st Wednesday of the month 7 - 9pm. No need to book, just go along.

### **Thursdays**

Cowes Library weekly Drawing Group with Bethany Moore 2 - 4pm or 7 - 9pm. Booking essential. If you enjoy drawing or would like to learn email: [bethanymooreart@gmail.com](mailto:bethanymooreart@gmail.com)

### **Fridays**

Cowes Library Drop-in Café every 2nd Friday of the month 10am - 12pm. Enjoy some tea/coffee and cake and a friendly chat. You don't have to be a library member to come along. It's free and all are welcome. A Multiply tutor will be at Cowes Library Friday 21st April between 10am and 12pm offering free maths workshops for adult learners who want to improve their numeracy skills. Providing free courses that are flexibly delivered around people's lives, whether at their workplace, in the evening, online, intensive or through personalised support. You can find out more about courses available at [www.iow.gov.uk/ACLcourses](http://www.iow.gov.uk/ACLcourses) or contact Adult Community Learning on 01983 817280 or email: [lisa.mcginity@iow.gov.uk](mailto:lisa.mcginity@iow.gov.uk)

### **Saturdays**

Children's Games Club: First Saturday of the month 10.30am - 12pm

Lego Club: Last Saturday of the month 10am - 12pm

Junior Colouring Club: Third Saturday of the month 2 - 4pm with colouring, drawing and being creative. All materials provided. With all children's activities, children need to be accompanied by an adult throughout. Vectis Historical and Heritage Wargaming Group meet monthly on Saturdays at Cowes



Library usually between 10am and 4pm with a break for lunch. The next meeting is on 22nd April. Any level of interest or experience welcome. Models are provided and it's free to attend. Recommended age 16+. Contact Cowes Library on 01983 293341 or email Will Bossman: wdbossman@gmail.com for more information. Royal Fleas with Jules Marriner 8th April 10.30am, who will be reading her story and children can make their own King Charles! This is a free event. Book at Cowes Library on 01983 293341.

Spring Book & DVD Sale 22nd April 10am - 4.30pm. All at bargain prices. Good quality donations welcome. Contact Cowes Library.

### **Sunday 2nd April**

Spring Flowers in Pencil & Watercolour Workshop 10am - 2pm cost £40 Booking essential. For more information or to book email: bethanymooreart@gmail.com



### **NORTHWOOD PARISH CHURCH**

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

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

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April 10am-12pm Northwood Scout Hut**

Bring your own projects to finish.

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## **Gurnard Parish Council Report March 2023**

### **A new Clerk for the Council**

Councillors are very pleased to welcome Richard Shaul as our new clerk. Richard is stepping into big shoes and the role of clerk is wide ranging and can be demanding but Richard has already shown himself to be an astute listener and very capable.

### **Celebrating the Coronation**

No decisions have yet been made about whether GPC will join Gurnard Film Society and Gurnard Village Hall Association with any celebration of the coronation. If you have any interesting ideas please email them to Cllrs Bustin or Franklin.

### **Gurnard in Bloom**

Jennie Lewis has written about the lovely daffodils in bloom around the village and called for help with planters. The big borders outside Buckler's View and further down Worsley Road also need work and we hope to make a start on those soon.

### **Gurnard Primary School is looking for a new Governor**

There are some vacancies on our board for co-opted Governors from the local community and we are really keen to try and fill the vacancies ASAP! For information about time commitments and other aspects of the role please contact Stuart Thomas, Vice-Chair of Governors at Gurnard Primary School, Baring Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight PO31 8DS

### **Old School Meadow**

A GPC working party meeting was held recently at OSM; some suggestions will be discussed at the full council meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> April if you are interested or concerned. The area is looking a bit sad and worn and of course this part of the year it is inevitable that it will look less than its best but it was lovely to see a youngster flying a kite there recently. Please remember this is a green space for the enjoyment of all residents, it is not just a dog walking field. In particular please remember to :

#### **Take your litter home – leave no trace of your visit.**

Litter is not just unsightly, it can actually be dangerous. It may cause problems for wildlife or, in dry weather it is possible for a fire to start from glass or something shiny.

#### **You are required to clean up after your dog (highways, footpaths and green spaces are all covered)**

It is not enough to say that the poo isn't where someone will step on it. Dog poo leaches nasties into the soil and rain run-off can lead to these nasties reaching the beach or the Luck and from there, eventually, your drinking water. Bag it and bin it. Cllr Bustin makes sure there are spare bags by the main entrance to OSM if you're 'caught short'! As for dog poo bags left in hedgerows or hanging in trees .... that is just bizarre, the really unpleasant bit has been done! Great if you use biodegradable bags but don't be fooled by the greenwashing, they shouldn't be left in the hedge. BIN IT!

BIN IT!

#### **Planning**

The application for 36 Eco Lodges in the Gurnard Pines area has been discussed and was approved as, despite concerns about the narrowness of Cockleton Lane, councillors believe that some form of building is inevitable on this brownfield site. The Eco Lodges will be more sustainable for the village, both economically and environmentally, than probable alternatives. A village caravan site's appeal for additional caravans next to the original site was not approved. Another application was dismissed due to inadequate details in the plan, councillors could not be sure what they were being asked to consider.

#### **Secret Beach Disturbance**

Residents' concerns about a digger and disturbance on the Secret Beach have been passed to the IWC to liaise with the Environment Agency and the Marine Management Organization.

#### **Southern Water (SW) Pathfinder Water Butts**

Some residents have been disappointed by the lack of communication about distribution of water butts in the village. At the moment there has been about a 50% take-up and now SW are waiting for some more funding for dedicated teams to fit the butts. It has been strongly suggested that a card is left at any house where the resident is out when the next distribution scheme starts up and hopefully SW will recognise the need to communicate more effectively.

#### **Reminders**

The **Annual Parish Meeting** will be held in the village hall immediately after any urgent planning applications have been discussed on 26<sup>th</sup> April. Please look out for details of speaker in the GPC noticeboard on Worsley Road.

The Spring Litter Pick is planned for Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. It would be great to see lots of people again. Meet outside the village hall at 10am.

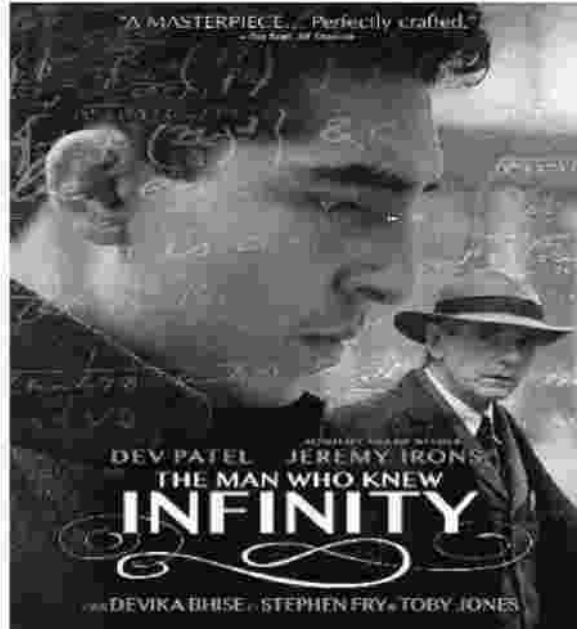
#### **Contact Us**

The next full Parish Council meeting will be in the village hall at 6.30pm on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023. There is always an opportunity at the start of the meeting for members to make comments and ask questions. If there is anything you feel the Parish Council could help with, please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council, Mr Richard Shaul, telephone 07305013718 or email: gurnardparishcouncil@gmail.com

#### **SCRABBLE**

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# Gurnard Film Society



## THE MAN WHO KNEW INFINITY Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April 7.30 pm

2016 UK True Story Drama

A gripping true story from the early 1900's with **Dev Patel** as Indian mathematician Srinivasa Ramanujan on a journey from near poverty to academic success and recognition at Cambridge, facing many obstacles but supported by established academic G.H. Hardy (**Jeremy Irons**) *Director: Matthew Brown*

Cert.12 1 hr 45 mins. Admission £5.00 (sorry, cash only)

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Booking is appreciated. Phone, text or email – see below.

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# Gurnard Film Society



## Programme April and May 2023

Screenings are monthly in Gurnard Village Hall, with 1 extra in January and none in August.

Please check individual starting times.

Where possible, English subtitles are enabled for all films.

Admission £5.00.

Please note the programme changes to our usual offerings to celebrate the Coronation

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### THE MAN WHO KNEW INFINITY

Cert 12, 1 hr 45 mins

Friday 14<sup>th</sup>  
April at 7.30  
Doors open 7.00

**2016 True story Drama UK**

*NB Not 1<sup>st</sup> Friday to avoid Good Friday.*

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Director: *Matthew Brown*

*Booking is appreciated but not essential.*



### PASSPORT TO PIMLICO

Cert U 1 hr 24 mins

Friday 5<sup>th</sup>  
May at 8.00.  
Garden Party  
at 7.00

Doors open 6.45

**1949 Comedy Drama UK  
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A Classic black & white Ealing Comedy, wherein part of Pimlico, yet to be rebuilt after the devastation of WWII bombing, is discovered to be the long-lost Duchy of Burgundy and so no longer subject to British Law. With **Stanley Holloway** and **Margaret Rutherford**.

Director - *Henry Cornelius*

*To celebrate the coronation of King Charles III, you are invited to a garden party before the film with sandwiches, cake and fizz. This is included in the normal admission price for the film. Appropriate festive dress is encouraged! Booking is essential for the 50 places*

# Gurnard Film Society



## Programme June and July 2023

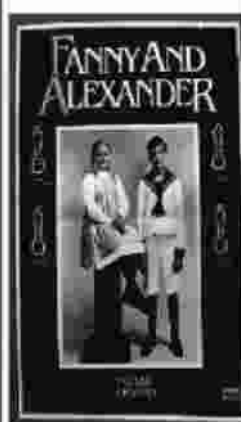
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Admission £5.00

Please note the programme changes to our usual offerings for these two films.

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### FANNY AND ALEXANDER

Cert 15 3 hr, 8 mins

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
June at 7pm

Doors open 6.30

**1982 Drama Swedish**

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*Please be aware that this long film will begin earlier and be shown in two parts 7.00 – 8.30 with an interval and Swedish refreshments then 9.00 – 10.38 pm.*

*Booking advised as helpful for catering*



### THE 39 STEPS

Cert U, 1 hr 26 mins

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Doors open 6.45

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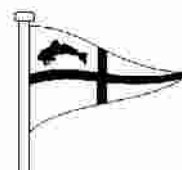
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