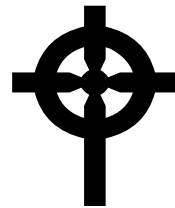
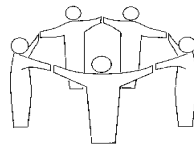


GURNARD NEWS



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NEWS AND EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE OF GURNARD



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FROM THE VICAR OF ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, REV. LYN McROSTIE

I've been looking back at previous parish magazine articles. Just under a year ago I shared with you that I was wrestling with the question of what the church is for. It's a question I'm still looking at - because I've come to understand that it's a question I have to live with and this side of the Second Coming will probably not be fully answered - but we do what we can with faith in Christ, not in the world.

Our present culture wants us to have goals, targets, measurable success (or failure) over specific time periods. That's not what the church is about. We're about God, Jesus Christ and the love that God has for his creation - you, me, this world. That's why I was encouraged by what the new Bishop of Portsmouth, Christopher Foster, has to say.

Bishop Christopher's appointment to our Diocese was announced on 9th February. Modern life being what it is, his appointment was announced on the Internet at 0730 that day and his first multimedia interview was at 0740. He had several other interviews the day, some of which were fascinated by his revelation that he is a very committed Wolves supporter and is looking forward to being at Fratton Park when Pompey and Wolves next meet ...! He comes with a lot of life experience - he's already an assistant Bishop in the St Alban's Diocese; he worked in teaching before he was ordained; his first wife died of cancer.

He came to Portsmouth and the Island on the day his appointment was announced and here are his thoughts about being a bishop and about being Christian. "I haven't got a manifesto," he said. "Being bishop involves discernment and waiting on God. In my first months, I'll look forward to discovering more about the Church here, and listening to others before we discern the way forward. And it won't be my way, but God's way forward. "All Christians should have some guiding characteristics, qualities that can be seen in individual's lives and in the life of the Church. I'd like to identify four.

"Firstly, Christians are called to be compassionate in their caring for other people. Secondly, they are called to share in what God is doing already in the world in his mission and ministry. Thirdly, Christians are called to encourage discipleship, to draw other people into the love of God. And fourthly, they stand for truth, for justice and for peace. I'd like to lead a Church with those qualities."

Do you find that exciting? I do.

I think that we have to acknowledge the challenges that face us, to work out what we can do in response and to be realistic. I'm encouraged by the words of another bishop, Oscar Romero, who lived in South America. He wrote this:

"We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need further development. We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities. We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."

We are now in the season of Lent, a time traditionally used to reflect and pray on how better we can serve God and the world. Are you able to make time to think and pray on what you would like the church to be and do at this time?

Lyn

SERVICES AT ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

March

Please note change of 1st and 2nd Sunday services



7th 3rd Sunday of Lent

9.45am Sung Eucharist

Readings: Isaiah 55.1-9, 1 Corinthians 10.1-13, Luke 13.1-9

14th 4th Sunday of Lent / Mothering Sunday

8am Holy Communion

Readings: Exodus 2.1-10, Colossians 3.12-17, John 19.25b-27

9.45am B2B

6pm Informal Service

21st 5th Sunday of Lent/ Passion Sunday

9.45am Sung Eucharist

Readings: Isaiah 43:16-21, Philippians 3:4b-14, John 12:1-8

28th Palm Sunday

9.45am Sung Eucharist

Readings: Isaiah 50.4-9a, Philippians 2.5-11, Luke 23.1-49

Holy week services – see separate sheet

April

4th Easter Day

6am Dawn service by Gurnard Sailing Club

9.45am Sung Eucharist

Readings: Isaiah 65.17-25, Acts 10.34-43, John 20.1-18

Ever wanted to find out more about the Christian faith but thought the service would be boring or difficult to understand and the welcome unfriendly? Come and see for yourself that this is not so. All Saints Church hold an informal service called B2B(back to basics) at 9.45am on the 1st Sunday of each month, unless this is a major festival such as Easter. The service is aimed at all ages, lasts about 45 mins. and is followed by refreshments You will find a warm and friendly welcome. Hope to see you there.

FROM THE REGISTERS OF ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

We welcome William Bradley, baptised on 14th February, and remember his parents, godparents, families and friends.

In our thoughts and prayers we remember David Farley
and Alan Stuart , who have died recently, and their families and friends.

For Weddings or Funerals, please contact Reverend Lyn McRostie – Tel. 298370

For Baptisms, please contact Barbara Rock – Tel. 295717

COWES METHODIST CHURCH, Birmingham Road, Cowes.

SERVICES FOR MARCH 2010

Sunday	7th	10.30am	Mrs Alison Geddes
Sunday	14th	10.30am	MOTHERING SUNDAY. Mr Alan Pullinger
Sunday	21st	10.30am	PASSION SUNDAY. HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Malcolm Stinton
Sunday	28th	10.30am	PALM SUNDAY. Mr Den Brewin

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

The LADIES' SISTERHOOD meets every Tuesday at 2.30pm.
All ladies are very welcome to join in our fellowship.

The fortnightly FELLOWSHIP GROUP will meet at 7.30pm on
Mondays 1st, 15th & 29th March at 8 Pallance road, Northwood.

There will be a Service of Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday, April 1st at 10.30am

A Message from the Vicar

Do you know of someone who would appreciate a visit by the church? Or would you, yourself, like to meet and talk with someone from the church? Please let Lyn (the Vicar) know (298370) or contact one of the Churchwardens whose details are given elsewhere in the magazine. We're happy to meet with you, to bring communion to you if you cannot come to church – or to explore with you if you just want to know more about the Christian faith. We are always here for you – because that's what we're about!

DID YOU KNOW?

The Kids' Good Friday Workshop will be held at All Saints' Church, Gurnard again this year! It's a fun morning of crafts, song and learning about the Easter story.

Open to all of the community (Look for posters around the village)

DID YOU ALSO KNOW THAT ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, GURNARD HAS A JUNIOR CHURCH FOR CHILDREN?

It meets at the same time as the church service and we learn about the Bible through stories, games, crafts and songs.

All children are welcome! Call Lynda for more information 280442



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

Accessibility for all ages and abilities

All Saints' Church, Gurnard has received a grant of £5,000 from The Big Lottery Fund.

For many years the church community has been fund raising so that a room suitable for church and the local community needs could be built. Fund raising began in the 1990's and a further effort was made under the FISH (Fellowship in Social Harmony) project. Our dream finally became a reality in August 2009 when a separate building was constructed behind the church.

We are delighted to receive the grant as it will enable us to complete the project and provide permanent access to the room. The next stage is to improve the church forecourt and construct a brushed concrete path together with lighting alongside the north and east sides of the church leading to the new room. This award will literally open doors for all ages and abilities.

Our Garden Room offers a small modern meeting place for about 30, and it has a kitchen and disabled toilet. It will be easily accessible and in a central location in the Village. In the future we hope that new activities will start e.g. training events, silver surfing classes, life skills course, self-help groups, film clubs, music groups and of course coffee mornings in our informal and attractive room.

When the work is completed we will have an official opening and hope to follow this with a day of activities.

For further information contact Diana Cave (292744), Rev'd Lyn McRostie (298370), or Graham Lloyd (299051).

ACCESS PROVIDED BY



LOTTERY FUNDED

Txt Msg 2 U Do you want to know what's going on at your village church? If you have a mobile phone you can now receive text messages to keep you 'in the know'. There is a sign-up sheet in church or alternatively you can email your mobile phone number to thebridles@mac.com and be added to the growing list of people already signed up.

Ebay 4 Church: items wanted to sell to support the work of your village church, All Saints. Please contact Wendy Peskett (292145) or Sue Gibbs (298704). Alternatively, donations of old jewellery can now be left in a collection box at Gurnard Newsagents. Many thanks to Brian and Chris.

GURNARD VILLAGE COTTAGE GARDEN SOCIETY

Our February meeting was chaired by our Treasurer, Mary Pearson, as our Chairman, Emma, was unwell.

Business was kept to a minimum and we welcomed our speaker, Mr Richard Day, who gave us a most interesting and informative talk about the buildings and the conservation taking place in the grounds of Northwood Cemetery, which was started in 1856 when local Churchyards were becoming full. Richard brought lots of photographs which illustrated all the work being done by volunteers, mostly at weekends. People from Cowes, Gurnard and further afield have become 'Friends of Northwood Cemetery', their subscriptions helping with the upgrading of the grounds and, hopefully, the buildings before long. A good newsletter is produced several times a year. We all enjoyed hearing about something happening in our own area that we could be involved with.

Members had bought packs of three hyacinth bulbs at our November meeting, which they had grown at home and brought back as our February competition. The results were first Irene Silver, second Noreen Piper and third Sylvia Woodward.

At our next meeting, at 7.30pm on March 3rd, Mrs Ruth Waller will be speaking about the archaeology of the Isle of Wight. The competition is 'A garden flower'.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to anyone who would like to join us on the first Wednesday of each month. We have a wide selection of speakers, events and outings. We also have a raffle, a competition and refreshments each month, so why not give us a try?!

Irene Silver



GURNARD SAILING CLUB



At last, the sailing season is upon us so we hope for some warmer weather for the Earlybird Series which is a four-race series covering each of the Sundays in March. First gun, as ever, is at 10.20am each day.

There will be a Work-party at the Club on Saturday morning, March 6th, to get it all ready for the new season - if you feel that you can give a bit of time during that morning, your help will be most welcome!!

The last day for returning training application forms is Wednesday March 31st. This is a strict deadline, so make sure that yours is in on time.

It is not known at the time of going to press whether there will be a quiz on the last Friday of March (26th) so watch the noticeboard at the Club and the website for further information about the quiz (if there is one) and supper time etc.

Enjoy the season!!

Mike Peskett

FROM LOCAL COUNTY COUNCILLOR, PAUL FULLER

Tel: **289595** (24 hrs)/ **07935 090 835** (mobile); Email: **paulfuller@onwight.net**

I am happy to meet residents at their convenience, and I hold surgeries as follows:

6 - 6.30pm, Wednesday 3rd March at Northwood House, Ward Avenue, Cowes.

5 - 5.30pm, Tuesday 9th March at the Isle of Wight Community Club, Park Road, ..

6 - 6.30pm, Tuesday 9th March at the Portland Inn, Worsley Road, Gurnard.

11 - 11.30am, Wednesday 17th March at the Woodvale Hotel, Princes Esplanade.

Planning Applications

The application to develop permanent residential units on the **Solent Lawns** site was approved by the Planning Committee. Incorporated within the plans was a reduction in density from 15 units to 14, removal of overlooking from second door balconies and the potential for a permissive path through the site, overcoming some of the objections highlighted by residents.

When agreed, the path will link Worsley Road with the Village Green through woodland subject to agreement with residents from Worsley Lane and Worsley Road. The path will then connect with the public footpath to Solent Middle School.

This application demonstrates how residents views can positively impact upon new developments for the village.

Baring Road

With recent Planning Applications being approved in Egypt Hill and Baring Road, I am hoping to fix up a meeting between the Police's Road Traffic Unit, Highways Officers and Solent Middle School to agree a route for construction traffic accessing. At the same time, I am looking forward to acting upon concerns flagged up by the school in relation to its Green Travel Plan particularly at Roundhouse.

This I hope will assist residents who have complained to me about the Baring Road and Park Road junction.

Members Allowances.

IW Councillors supported the findings of the Independent Remuneration Panel which increased members allowances from £481,965 by 1.6% to £489,865.

During the election a number of residents complained Councillors were paid too much. Following the non-acceptance of a resolution to freeze allowances, I felt I could not accept any increase. Accordingly I was the only IW Councillor to vote against the Panels recommendations.

Gurnard School Site Asset Transfer.

The second meeting of the Working Party was called to progress suggestions for any potential Community Asset Transfer of this site. The purpose of this Working Party was to explore any potential for Community Projects should the IW Council consider the Gurnard School Site surplus to its requirements once the school relocates.

Members are balancing the viability of options and once these are agreed and the Council is supportive, future consultation will be necessary.

The next meeting will be held at **6.30pm, Monday 22 March**, at Gurnard School and due to be discussed is the Family Learning Centre, Grant Aid potential and the possibility of working alongside Gurnard Parish Council on progressing this.

Dog Mess and Pot Holes

Potholes in Shore Road, Princes Esplanade, and Whitehouse Road and overhanging hedges have been reported as has the dislodged sign at the top of Solent View Road.

Cllr Edward Giles, the Cabinet Member with what seems like the Pot Hole portfolio, (rather than the portfolio for the Environment and Transport) reported that, in some circumstances, road damage has been so severe that sections of road will require reconstruction as patching is not always cost effective. Resources are being targeted towards the Strategic Road Network in the first instance.

If you come across any Pot Holes, please report these to the IW Council's Call Centre on 01983 821000, report it on line or let me know. It is helpful if you could record an address near any pot holes.

Street Mapping.

I am meeting with The Head of Highways and Parish Clerk, Rusty Adams, to discuss further priorities from the Street Mapping Exercise undertaken recently by the Police.

The Top priority that I was asked to look into is Parking. **Albert Road** was the one specific road in Gurnard where problems were highlighted. I would welcome and support residents in addressing these parking issues and if we find between us a consensus that can be agreed, I will try to ensure this is progressed.

Other priorities that I am looking in to include improving **Street Lighting** for Winding Way (14 votes received) Gurnard Seafront (11 votes), Cockleton Lane (11 Votes) and Cow Lane (4 votes). I have also been requested to investigate options to improve the **local bus service** for the village.

In the meantime, please contact me with your ideas and suggestions!

Isle of Wight Council Budget 2010

On setting this years budget, I have real concerns that the level of cuts to services and increases proposed for raising charges are likely to have a wide-ranging impact on residents. Having discussed this with other Councillors, I fully recognise that members do not take these decisions lightly and I will in the coming weeks be scrutinising options which I consider maintains a prudent increase, whilst minimising any impact this is likely to have.

Gurnard Gas Main.

There was some disturbance caused by the recent closure of Cockleton Lane to enable survey work to be undertaken by SGN last month. Prior to this, I worked with Wightbus to ensure disruption to the bus service was kept to a minimum for bus users. This was achieved by emailing regular users who in turn passed on news about the inevitability of delays and ensuring Joe the driver was kept informed in advance. Thank you to all residents who spread the news!

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

There will be a Concert performed by young people of the area on Saturday, April 24th in All Saints' Church, starting at 7.30pm

Please try and keep this date free and come and support the young musicians, many of whom have very limited opportunities to show off their undoubted skills in public.

Interval refreshments!

Jan welcomed 44 members and 2 visitors to the January meeting. Special welcome to new member Lin Drew. June Hygate has been co-opted on to the committee in place of Diane Caws who recently resigned. We are very grateful to Diane for all her help and hard work.

The Beetle Drive planned for January 22nd will now be held on March 5th. We look forward to the usual fun evening and hope we can encourage more people to attend.

The date of the annual Quiz Evening has yet to be announced. Liz announced details of the Summer Outing. Travel by coach to Firle House, near Lewes in East Sussex, on Tuesday June 22nd spending time in Lewes on the way. A guided tour of the house has been arranged, the trip is open to members and non members.

The evening continued with poetry readings, read by four ladies calling themselves 'Shore Women Writers'. In her vote of thanks, Ruth thanked them for sharing their 'word pictures' with us.

The competition for a ghostly flower arrangement was won by June Scott. Maureen Wheeler's Christmas Rose was voted Best Bloom.

The proceeds of the Raffle went to the Haiti Disaster Appeal, with Sheila Farren being the main winner.

The ever popular Winter Lunch was held on January 28th, with a Burns Night theme. Our famous chefs, June and Liz, produced a wonderful Cock-a-Leekie Stew, which was followed by a 'yummy' selection of sweets prepared by committee members. The meal finished which chocolates, shortbread and coffee. As a result of this event we were able to send a substantial donation to A.C.W.W. We are so grateful to all who regularly support our lunches and contribute towards making them such happy occasions.

The next meeting is planned for Wednesday 17th March 2010 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The speaker, Derek Moore, will talk on 'The Beauty and importance of Butterflies'. The competitions are for 'a favourite butterfly themed possession' and for a 'Best Bloom'.

Country Dancing (beginners welcome!) March 10th and March 24th 7.00-8.30pm.

Sheila Baker

FLOWERS at EASTER in ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

If anyone would like to give donations towards flowers
in memory of loved ones,
please contact B. Richardson (phone 297881).

GURNARD PARISH COUNCIL (7 seats)

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World Scout Jamboree 2012, Sweden

As a member of 1st Gurnard Scout Troop I have been selected along with my friend Katie to represent the Isle of Wight at the World Scout Jamboree. This will be a gathering of scouts from all over the world.

As a 1st Gurnard Scout I have enjoyed numerous activities, including kayaking, camping and a whole range of games. I have also made lots of friends from being part of the Gurnard troop. We have Beavers (6-8years), Cubs (8-10) and Scouts (10-14) and we are starting an Explorer Scout Troop.

Over the next year I will be working towards the jamboree. Katie and I will have to raise £2,000 each. To raise this we have a number of activities planned including bag packing, sales and writing to companies to ask for sponsorship.

1st gurnard scouts are helping us by collecting old mobile phones for us to sell online. If you have any mobile phones sitting at home doing nothing and would like to donate them you can drop them into Gurnard Newsagents

By Ella Symons

The Women's World Day of Prayer



On Friday 5th March over 3 million people world-wide will be praying and worshipping together during an annual day of prayer, using a service prepared by Christian women in Cameroon.

Emma Wilcock, president of the National Committee of the Women's World Day of Prayer movement, said:

'This is always an exciting day as a great wave of prayer sweeps the world, beginning when the first service is held in the Queen Salote Girls' School in Tonga and continuing around the world until the final service takes place, some 35 hours later, in neighbouring Western Samoa. By then the day will have been celebrated in over 170 countries and over 5,000 services will have been held in the United Kingdom.

The Republic of Cameroon is said to be *Africa in miniature*. It is a country of great cultural diversity with more than 240 ethnic groups and languages. It faces many challenges as its people seek to move forward into a modern age without losing their distinctive characteristics. But at all times, in all circumstances, Cameroonians are able to praise God with joy and exuberance and the service reflects this.

In Cowes, this annual ecumenical service will take place at St. Thomas of Canterbury RC Church at 11.00am on Friday 5th March. This year's speaker will be our own Archdeacon Caroline Baston. The service will be followed by a bring and share lunch; there will also be a Traidcraft stall. All, both men and women, are invited to join in this day of prayer.

Scout Report



Scouts returned after the Christmas break on January 12th and even though there was still a good covering of snow, we had a good turnout.

Congratulations must go to Jack Griffin who completed the Chefs' badge on February 9th. A very tasty Macaroni Cheese followed by Apple Crumble was made, and there were enough portions for all the leaders and Scouts.

In the new term we are planning to do the Circus-Skills and Guide Badges. On Friday February 5th the older Scouts met with a view to starting an Explorer Scout Unit. These have become very popular on the Island and cater for boys and girls aged 14 to 18. From Friday February 26th the Unit will meet every two weeks between 7.30pm and 9.30pm.

If you would like any Information about any Group section please contact Peter Harris G.S.L. Tel. 825 959.

GURNARD VILLAGE HALL ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of the Gurnard Village Hall Association is on March 18th at 7 p.m in the Village Hall. All are welcome at the start of the meeting for suggestions, comments ideas etc. GVHA would welcome volunteers to join the Association.



GURNARD PARISH **COUNCIL**



GREEN SLOT

The IW Council is looking for local composting champions, and there is a free training day on Saturday 6th March at Alder Moor Farm in Ryde to explain all. The idea is to promote composting in communities, to help develop community composting schemes, provide advice, set up displays at community events, explain to others and share ideas. Even if you are unable to attend the event on the 6th (short notice I know), full details of the scheme and how you can get involved are available from Laura Kay at the IW Council by calling her on 823777.

VILLAGE GREEN PLAY AREA

An additional double swing has now been ordered, and it will fit adjacent to the existing birds nest swing, meaning the small wooden boat will have to be moved to a spot between the spring rocker and the toddler's slide. A total of 4 seats are now ordered with 3 planned for inside and 1 outside the fencing. The litter bin is now in place and a new sign acknowledging all those who contributed to the scheme has been ordered, and should be fitted soon. The landing area at the base of the pirate ship slide will be modified shortly by fitting a rubber-faced slab to alleviate the mud problem. We are now approaching the time for the main funders to inspect what we've done, and to finalise all the project administration (there's lots!).

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD OFFICER AND NEIGHBOURHOOD & ENVIRONMENT OFFICER

The IW Council's Neighbourhood and Environment Officer Jacqui Darby was unable to attend our February meeting but sent some information promoting a bike wrapping (marking) and dog chipping event at the Village Hall on 27th March from 2.30pm to 4pm. Her January and early February village patrols have only identified general defects and she reported reduced dog fouling. Safer Neighbourhoods Officers PC Mark Thomas and PCSO Steve Oatley attended the February meeting and reported there had been one incident of criminal damage, which was a house having its locks superglued!

Consideration is being given to a community speed watch exercise in the Village – this is where the community gets involved in recording incidents of speeding for onwards transmission. If getting involved yourself appeals, do make contact with Mark through the usual number 0845 045 45 45.

REPLACEMENT GAS MAIN FOR THE ISLE OF WIGHT

As mentioned in February, a new cross-Solent gas main for the Island is needed and this will make a landfall on farm land west-south-west of Hornhill, accessed from Rew Street, and a new pressure reduction station will be erected too. Hopefully you took advantage of the information day at the Village Hall on Thursday February 25th and some of you may have been aware of the Cockleton Lane road closure last month – this was for bore hole drilling so the contractors know what they will be dealing with underfoot when pipe-laying later this year.

GURNARD PRIMARY SCHOOL SITE

A 2nd working party meeting of residents and Councillors under the leadership of Councillor Paul Fuller took place on 25th January to look at the various options there may be for the future use of the primary school site once the relocation of the school to the Solent site has taken place. Several ideas were floated at the meeting including allotments and affordable housing. A 3rd meeting has been set for 22nd March and if you would like to be involved with this process at all (extra people will be needed when consultation starts) then please call the Parish Clerk, Rusty Adams, on 567522 or by emailing gurnardpc@tiscali.co.uk

LITTER IN THE VILLAGE

Names are still needed for a team of volunteers that could be called upon (provided they were free of course) for future events as and when they become necessary. It is hoped to arrange a litter pick for both Gurnard Beach and the Village for Saturday 8th May, but this date will be confirmed later on. PLEASE do contact the Parish Clerk, Rusty Adams, on 567522 and add your name to the list if you'd like to help. This will also be promoted during the May Queen Fete at the Parish Council's stall on 3/5/10.

PARISH AWARD SCHEME 2010

As mentioned last month, the Parish Council is considering whether to run the Parish Award Scheme again this year and so would be pleased to hear from residents who know of someone in the Village who is deserving of recognition in one way or another, particularly in ways of sacrificially serving others and the Gurnard community in some specific or general way – you may recall that Mark & Vicky Spencer were recognised in this way last year for their untiring efforts on the Community's behalf in so many ways, not least of all the firework nights and harvest festival events. Please send your nominations in writing by e-mail or "snail-mail" to Rusty Adams (gurnardpc@tiscali.co.uk or 63, Wellington Road, RYDE, PO33 3QJ), with as much detail as possible on the person and why he/she should be given the award a.s.a.p. but by the end of March at the latest.

TRAFFIC PLAN WORKING PARTY

The Traffic Plan Working Party met on Thursday 28th January and discussion included speed and width restriction enforcement in Church Road, the SID in Baring Road, Cockleton Lane speed bin reports, safety at the Round House junction, items for a future traffic regulation order and general traffic matters. The next meeting is set for 13/5/10, so if you have anything for the Working Party to consider please contact the Clerk before the end of April.

STOP PRESS! (Gurnard Beach)

Information hot off the press today (11/2/10) is that the IW Council will be replacing the rocks on Gurnard Beach that have been moved over the past year or so, hopefully back to their original positions. This work should be completed by the end of March, tidal conditions permitting.

FIRST AID COURSE

There is a free community first aid course running in the Village Hall on Saturday 13th March from 9am to 5pm, which will include a sandwich lunch. There are only 12 places available, so contact Philippa Daley at the IW Rural Community Council on 524058 if this is for you.

GURNARD TRAFFIC ORDER

The IW Council has published its latest Traffic Order for Gurnard for consultation, which will include making the Tuttons Hill Temporary Traffic Order permanent, and also imposing new parking restrictions in Cockleton Lane. There is a link on the Parish Council's website homepage to see the Cockleton Lane map, and any comments you wish to make will have the greatest effect if directed to the Highways department of the IW Council as soon as possible (Parish Council is expected to consider this on 9/3/10).

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF GURNARD ELECTORS

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place Tuesday 27th April from 7.30pm at Gurnard Primary School. Two speakers have confirmed their attendance, namely Alan Marriott, Editor of the IW County Press, who will be giving a presentation on a day in the life of an Editor, and also Mike Bishop who will be talking about the Carisbrooke Castle Museum and its work. Paul Savill will also be reporting on the Scouts and Guides year, all of which sounds interesting in their own way and it is hoped that many residents from the Village will turn out for this meeting. Of course this is also a great opportunity for you residents to find out what your Council has been up to the past year and to ask questions in a fairly informal atmosphere, and refreshments will be provided.



GURNARD VILLAGE HALL, WORSLEY ROAD



**ENJOY A POT POURRI OF ENTERTAINMENT,
FEATURING LOCAL TALENT AND SPONSORED BY
ISLE OF WIGHT TREFOIL GUIDING.**

COMPERE FOR THE EVENING: MICHAEL ARNELL.

FRIDAY, 12TH MARCH, 2010 7.30 P.M. (DOORS OPEN 7.00 P.M.)

***Tickets (£5.00) available from Trefoil Secretary,
Mrs. M. Nicholls 200375.
(tickets limited – advance purchase advised)***

USEFUL NAMES & TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Age Concern		525282
Ambulance (Transport)		825111
Citizens Advice Bureau		0845 1202959
Electricity (Emergencies)		0845 7708090
Gas (Emergencies)		0800 111999
Water (Emergencies)		0845 2720845
Health centre (appointments)		294902
Health Centre (general)		295251
Hospital (St Mary's)		524081
Library (24hr renewal line)		822123
Police		0845 0454545
Out of Hours GP & Dentist		0845 6031007
Flood-line (Mon -Fri 8am - 8pm W/ends 10am - 4pm)		0845 9881188
Local Neighbourhood Watch	Mr Ken Chapman	289735
All Saints' Church, Vicar	Rev'd Lyn McRostie	298370
All Saints' Church, Associate Priest	Rev'd Keith Adlam	281574
All Saints' Church, Curate	Rev'd Diana Netherway	298505
All Saints' Church, Lay Minister	Miss Rita Goddard	292400
All Saints' Churchwardens	Mr. Graham Lloyd	299051
	Mrs Diana Cave	292744
All Saints' Churchwarden Emeritus	Mr. Paul Rock	295717
All Saints' Church, Secretary	Mrs Pauline Lloyd	299051
All Saints' Church, Treasurer	Mrs Wendy Peskett	292145
All Saints' Church, Organist	Mrs Yvonne Mills	292256
Junior Church (Sunday School)	Mrs Lynda Nicholls	280442
Cowes Methodist Church, Minister	Rev'd Malcolm Stinton	884205
Cowes Methodist Church, Contact	Mrs Pat Chessell	295898
Gurnard Primary School (website)	www.gurnardprimary.ik.org	295923
Gurnard Bay Evening W. I.	Mrs Judith Westbrook	295690
CAMEO Group	Mrs Joyce Hutchinson	281634
Gurnard Village Hall Bookings	Mrs. Liz Downer	295550
Gurnard Village Hall Association Vice-Chairman	Mrs Carolyn Sibley	297154
GV Cottage Garden Society	Mrs. Emma Glasbey	293130
Gurnard in Bloom	Mrs. Emma Glasbey	293130
Gurnard Sailing Club	Membership Secretary Mr Mark Southwell	299104
IOW Councillor	Mr Paul Fuller	289595
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