

West Moors Parish Council

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Carols on The Petwyn 2019



The Carols on the Petwyn, hosted by West Moors Youth & Community Club and supported by 'Churches Together' was held on Friday 6th December 2019. The weather was kind and the support from the village was amazing.

The traditional carol service was led by Andy Muckle, the newly appointed Vicar at St. Mary the Virgin, the Parish Church of West Moors. The procession set out from St. Martin's United Reformed Church just before 6pm. The Wareham Town Crier, Mrs Jacqui Hall, stepped in for Mr Iain Mitchell and did a wonderful job. The sparkle from the Petwyn tree lights and festive chatter all around created a magical atmosphere. Chairman Cllr Mike Hawkes, presented the winners of the Christmas card (on next page) and the 'Best Dressed Shop Window Display' competition. The parish council awarded a surprise hamper of goodies (value of nearly £50) to Lynne Johnson from the School Shop, Park Way, for her creative window display. It was a very close competition with 'Golden Hands', the winner in 2018.

A thank you to those who donated prizes for the hamper; staff and councillors of West Moors Parish Council, Tesco Express (Park Way) and the Spar on Station Road. The red barrow race saw 7 barrows racing around the Petwyn, with 'Captain Andy Skeats' in charge.

The sponsor for the winning father and son team, was Mr Peter May (surveyor) of Minster Property Management. The driver, Matt May, was presented with a bottle of bubbly and his passenger, Casper, a medal. Mr May was pleased to retain his title from 2018.

Receiving a medal for the 'Best dressed team', was Lee from the 'Christmas light house', on Station Road. Lastly, a medal for the 'safest and best dressed barrow' went to Spencer from Branksome Carpets (who trades from Ferndown). The visit from Santa on his 'oh so awesome' motorbike, created quite a stir especially with the confetti of cuddly toys he was throwing to the crowd.







Left: Chairman Mike Hawkes and the winner Miss Amelie Talbot (prize was a pottery set).

Below left: Bentley Turner, Runner up 1 (prize was a lego stunt buggy).

Below right: Miss Holly Doland, Runner up 2 (prize was a christmas gift card making set).

Christmas Card Competition 2019

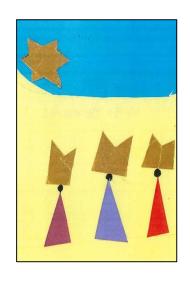
For several years now there has been a competition between the West Moors First Schools to design the Parish Council Christmas Card, with the decision being announced immediately after the carol service. Although the winner and the runners-up all knew the result, it was still lovely to see their reactions on stage. The winner for 2019 was Amelie Talbot, Year 4 at Oakhurst First School, who received 20 copies of the printed card for her own use and a pottery making set. The two runners-up were Bentley Turner, Year 1 from Oakhurst First who received a lego technic car set and Holly Doland in Year 3 from St. Mary's First, who won a gift card making set. The presentations were made by the Chairman of West Moors Parish Council, Cllr Mike Hawkes.











Designs by

Top left: Amelie Talbot Year 4 Oakhurst First School

Top right: Bentley Turner Year 1 Oakhurst First School

Left: Holly Doland Year 3 St. Mary's First School

Who do we help

Grant to RBL Poppy Appeal (Ferndown Branch)

The RBL Poppy Appeal received a cheque for £100 for their help with the Remembrance Day Parade 2019.

The Poppy Appeal is the Royal British Legion's biggest fundraising campaign held every year in November, the month of Remembrance. In 2019 donations to the appeal from the parish council collection tin raised £33.45.

New Charity CCSS helps bereaved relatives at Inquests.

Bournemouth Coroner's Court is setting up a support service run by volunteers from the Coroners' Court Support Service (CCSS). Volunteers will, before the inquest starts, show people the courtroom if available, so they can see the layout, where people will sit and what their role will be during the hearing.

In 2018-2019 CCSS volunteers offered supported to 28,936 out of 69,862 people attending inquests, either emotionally or practically.

The charity is dependent on raising money to keep the service going and to expand into further courts and is always grateful for any donations. If you wish to learn more about the work of the CCSS or wish to make a donation please visit our website at www.coronerscourtssupportservice.org.uk

Volunteers are now being recruited for the Bournemouth courts and anyone interested should apply for an application pack by sending an email to info@ccsupport.org.uk or calling 07534 149 962.

Applications will open from Feb 2020 and interviews will be held Feb and March 2020 (also the closing date). Three consecutive days of training will be confirmed in April/May 2020.

If you would like to talk to a volunteer before the day of the inquest we have a telephone helpline available Mon-Fri 9.00 am-7.00 pm and Saturday 9.00 am – 2.00 pm. Please call 0300 111 2141 or e-mail helpline@ccss.org.uk

Jean Ware Legacy Award 2019

This grant is made once each year to a young person aged between 11 and 17 years and residing in West Moors with a proven level of ability in Sport, Design, Drama, Music, or the Arts.

On Thursday 19th December 2019, prior to the parish council meeting, it was announced that the recipient of the 2019 award was Miss Lorna Ross aged 16. The Chairman of the council, Cllr Mike Hawkes, presented Lorna with an engraved glass trophy which she will keep as a reminder of her achievement. Lorna will also be able to claim up to £1,000 to help her progression in her dance career.

Lorna started dancing at 7 years old, falling in love with it instantly. Exams were taken annually under ISTD (Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing). Reaching a high level in 'Rock 'n' Roll' and 'Freestyle' enabled Lorna to participate in carnivals, shows and work with younger dancers at DH Dance School.

After studying GCSE dance, Lorna progressed onto BTEC dance at Brockenhurst College along with two other A levels. Dance is her passion. Her aim is to be a choreographer or a professional contemporary performer.

To be able to achieve a degree in dance she must attend auditions in London for which costs are high. There will be travel, one to one lessons, workshop and theatre production and costume costs. All this will enhance her choreography skills as well as providing a splendid qualification.



Lorna Ross and Chairman of West Moors Parish Council Cllr Mike Hawkes

WESTIVAL — Sat 11th July 2020 12-4pm, Fryer Field, West Moors

The parish council's fourth community event is set for Saturday 11th July 2020 with entry only 50p person. There will be great live music, football tournaments, a climbing wall, water zorbing, bungee trampolines, mini fairgrounds rides, nerf gun wars, 'Land Girls' musical entertainment, ferret racing, prosecco and beer, Krazy Kev, an array of classic cars, a fabulous raffle as usual and lots more.

Raffle tickets can be purchased at the parish office from April 2020 until and on the day of the event. If you would like to have a stall, offer any services or are part of a band and would like to be part of the day, please see website for details www.westmoors-pc.gov.uk, call 01202 861044 or email office@westmoors-pc.gov.uk.









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