

West Moors Parish Council

Summer 2014 Newsletter



World War 1 Exhibition

In order to commemorate the centenary of the outbreak of World War One an exhibition is being held in the library which has combined the efforts of the parish council and the three local schools to produce details of how the village was in 1914.

The schools have each carried out their own interpretation and theme, while the Parish Council has completed a population and geographical profile of the village during the WW1 period.



There has been over 1700 hours of research undertaken including the scrutiny of all the National Census data from 1841 to 1911 inclusive; Parish (civil and ecclesiastical) records; Births, Deaths and Marriages records; Wills and Probate records; Military and World War 1 records; St Mary's First School log books; electoral registers; jury lists; trade and profession directories and various newspapers and journals. There has also been discussion with numerous local residents as to their ancestors.

This has resulted in a list of 1095 names, the households they belonged to and, for the vast majority, in what road they lived and for many the name/number of their home, some of which are still to be seen today.

For the first time, at least since the end of the First World War, the full details of the fallen, who for most people are currently merely names on the memorial, have been documented. Also for the first time is documented all the West Moors residents who served in the military during the conflict and survived.



The intention is that at some point in the near future the result of all the research will go on-line for all to see but for the time being the exhibition is at the West Moors Library from 7th July to the end of August. Please visit the library and check out this fascinating piece of social history.



Monday 2.00-5.00 Tuesday 2.00-6.30 Wednesday Closed

Thursday 9.30-1.00 then 2.00-5.00 Friday 9.30-1.00 Saturday 10.00-12.30







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Improved Facilites

The Parish Council has spent over £20,000 improving the facilities at Fryer Field. The artificial grass football pitch has been regenerated with all new ball court fencing making the ideal place to hold football training or 5 a side matches. The artificial grass pitch which is fully floodlit, is very popular during the winter months with many clubs using it for their training.

If you are interested in using the excellent facility please contact the parish office for more details.



Hire charges: Adult teams from £20 per hour Youth Teams from £15 per hour

Floodlights from £8 per hour

Tennis Court is free to use any time

Call 01202 861044

or

Email: westmoorsparish@btconnect.com Alternatively drop into the parish office at 4 Park Way

Vandalism

The Parish Council is very saddened to report that there has been an increase in vandalism and anti-social behaviour in the village particularly affecting the Fryer Field and the facilities that are provided at the tax payers' expense for all to enjoy.

In recent months 2 litter bins have had to be removed from the skate park each costing over £300 as one was set on fire and the other beaten until it was in a dangerous condition. At present there are no facilities provided for people to place their litter in at the skatepark. Even when litter bins were provided the amount of litter thrown on the ground was unbelievable, litter includes glass alcohol bottles, cigarettes, general food wrappers, plastic bottles and even old clothing. Broken glass is constantly being swept from the tennis courts as some people seem to think it is fun to break glass in an area that others use for recreation.

The parish council agreed that the newly refurbished artificial grass pitch would be left open on a trial basis for all to use over the school holiday period, with it being locked up each evening. However it is regretted that after less than a week of the trial period it has had to be stopped, due to the misuse of the area along with threatening and abusive behaviour.

It appears that some people in the village have no respect for property which is funded from your council tax.

The Parish Council has taken measures with increased CCTV coverage and requests to the police to make more regular patrols.

Notice currently displayed at Artificial Grass Facility

DUE TO THE ACTIONS OF SOME YOUNG PEOPLE ABUSING THE FACILITY THIS WILL NOW REMAIN CLOSED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

ANYONE FOUND TO BE IN HERE WITHOUT AUTHORISED ACCESS WILL BE REPORTED TO THE POLICE.

IF YOU ARE A GENUINE USER PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AND WE CAN MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOU TO GAIN AUTHORISED ACCESS

NEWS FLASH

The Parish Council wish to thank the West Moors Homewatch for kindly helping to fund an additional CCTV camera.

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Works in West Moors Plantation

In a couple of weeks the **Forestry Commission** will be harvesting some of the mature trees in the plantation. This will necessitate certain paths and sections of the plantation being closed to the public for safety reasons.

The felling and removal of the wood will take about six weeks and will generate noise from the sawing machinery and the heavy lorries which are needed to remove the logs. The direct access into the plantation will be from Elmhurst Road so please be aware that there will be heavy vehicles coming and going along this usually quiet road. Parishioners are asked to take special care of their dogs and children, when they are in the plantation and to take note of the safety notices that will be displayed around the working areas.

Legacy Award Applications now open

Due to the great success of the Parish Council Legacy Award applications are now being received for this year's award. Are you or do you know of an aspiring young person between 11 and 17 years old with a talent for a sporting or other physical activity such as dance, who live in West Moors. If so we may be able to help out with a grant of up to £1,000 towards travelling, equipment and coaching costs.

We know we have lots of young people with a multitude of talents in the village, so why not apply. What have you got to lose?

Application forms can be downloaded from www.westmoors-pc.gov.uk or collected from the parish office.

A Note from your Safer Neighbourhood Team

You may well be aware of the restructuring of the various Safer Neighbourhood Teams within the East Dorset Section resulting in the amalgamation of Heatherlands and West Moors. Your new team will be led by Sgt 143 Loftus and comprises of PC 1496 Humphries, PCSO's 5838 Dan Byrne, 5104 Adam Fitzwalter and 5345 Sarah Rose. The section Inspector Mr Nock remains in overall charge.

We are aware of the many changes of personalities over the past few months and we are very grateful to Steve Winning who was looking after the patch during this change. I am confident that we will very quickly re-establish the community links and be highly visible in the community, especially since we have the new bikes so generously provided for us by the Parish Council, West Moors Home Watch and Synergy.

With the summer in full swing, could we please remind people to remain vigilant, removing valuables and ensuring homes, cars and sheds are closed and secure. There have been several incidents of late where items have been removed from cars which were not locked.

Should you see anything that you believe to be suspicious or unusual, please contact Dorset Police on **101** for non-emergencies or **999** should an incident or crime be in progress. Please do not try and deal with any situations as you may put yourself in danger.

How to contact your team

Telephone: 101

Please note if a crime is in progress or life in danger dial 999

Email: westmoorssnt@dorset.pnn.police.uk

Go to: www.dorset.police.uk

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The Parish Council say Goodbye

Mrs Pauline Holloway who has worked for the parish council since 2007 will be leaving at the end of August. The Parish Council thank her for all her hard work over the past 7 years and wish her well for the future.

Please clean up after your Dog Dog Waste Bags available from

the parish office £2.50 for 100 bags.



Food Waste Bags

Biodegradable food waste bags for your kitchen caddy are now available to purchase from the parish office. 52 bags on a roll for only £4, much cheaper than the local supermarkets.



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