



West Moors Parish Council

Winter 2015 Newsletter

Carol Concert December 2014



On Friday 5th December hundreds of families turned out to support Carols at the Petwyn in West Moors village.

A Christmas Carol service was held by the Parish Churches at Penn Court adjacent to the Petwyn Christmas tree. The evening also provided an opportunity for local Children to support and parade their shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan's Purse works with local churches and ministry partners to deliver these gifts.

Our very own Town Crier was in the street ringing his handbell, making public announcements and wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas.

There were also market stalls with mince pies, mulled wine and hot food available throughout the evening, which ended with a very special appearance from Father Christmas. This year smoke was seen coming from the Elephant and Castle; it seems that Father Christmas had got stuck up the chimney and had to be rescued by the Fire and Rescue Service (Thanks to Ray Jones and the Ferndown Fire Station crew).

Each year the event is organised by West Moors Youth and Community Club committee and supported by the parish churches and local businesses from within the village. Proceeds from raffle tickets sold on the night go to the Youth Club and this year we raised £461.77 with special thanks going to all those who donated raffle prizes including: Brewer and Brewer, Selby Butchers, Leannes, Elephant and Castle, Co-op, The Blue Barber Shop, Local Epicentre, Tesco Express, Dixon Kelley who also supplied the electricity on the night and lastly all the Committee members who helped make the event such a success.

Kurt Hallam

Chairman West Moors Youth and Community Club



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What's New?

How we help

- An Annual revenue grant of £3,300 was awarded to West Moors Youth and Community Club in January this year. West Moors Parish Councillor Jayne Lovegrove presented this generous cheque, on Saturday 10th January to Mr Kurt Hallam, Chairman of the Youth Club. The youth club carries out wonderful work and the parish council thanks them for all their hard work.



Kurt Hallam receiving the cheque from Cllr Jayne Lovegrove

- On December 16th 2014, The Bureau Manager of The East Dorset Citizens Advice Bureau gratefully accepted a donation of £200 from the parish council. This money helps to maintain the level of service they provide for the residents of West Moors. An important fact that is not widely known about the CAB, is that they do not receive any government money and are solely privately funded. The organisation is run mainly by volunteers and relies hugely on donations.



Ms Dorne Hardyman receiving the cheque from Cllr Penny Yeo

Tarmac Footpath being enjoyed

The Parish Council installed a new tarmac footpath last December 2014. It starts at the Fryer Field car park finishing at the entrance to the Children's play area. All those who now use it do not know what they did without it!



New Play Equipment at Oakhurst Play Area

Councillor Jayne Lovegrove of West Moors Parish Council will be carrying out research in the early part of this year, to find out what equipment would be preferred when upgrading the play area at Oakhurst School. Once the voices of the children and their parents have been heard, the Parish Council will fund the installation of new equipment.

Relocation of Youth Shelter

Funding has been secured by the Police Community Support Team to move and modify the metal youth shelter on Fryers Field. Following a successful application to Synergy Housing Zone 10 and a generous grant from the West Moors Parish Council, the shelter will be moved to the skate park area and will be converted to incorporate a solar powered lighting. Various youth groups have been consulted and the move is supported by West Moors Youth Club. It is anticipated that the new location with its own self-supporting lighting will encourage greater use of the shelter. It is hoped that the project will be completed by the end of February.

Artificial Grass Pitch available

The Parish Council offers an artificial grass pitch which is fully floodlit, being 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.

Food Waste Bags

Biodegradable food waste bags for your kitchen caddy are available to purchase from the parish office. 52 bags on a roll for only £4.



Legacy Awards available

On Thursday 18th December , The Parish Council presented Miss Abi Bedford the Legacy Award for 2014. Miss Bedford's current ambition is to get into the Netball Regional Academy in Bath. With being awarded up to £1,000 to assist in travel, equipment, sportswear and training costs, her journey may now begin. Miss Bedford's long term goal is to play for the England Netball team and represent the country in the sport she loves. West Moors Parish Council wishes Miss Bedford all the best with her endeavors and deem it an honor to help her fulfill her dreams.



Cllr Pete Holden presenting the Legacy award to Abi Bedford

The parish council is now inviting applications for the Legacy Award in 2015, so if you know of an aspiring young person please contact the parish office on 01202 861044 for an application form.

Dog Waste Bags

Biodegradable Dog waste bags are available to purchase from the parish office. 100 bags in a packet for only £2.50



POLICE UPDATE

It's now been a full six months since my team took over the West Moors beat, so it's a good time to review the major reported crime over that period. In September an unknown person entered a property on Canterbury Close in broad day light and stole a tablet computer; this was particularly distressing for the householders who were both home at the time. The offender managed to slip in unnoticed via the open front door and stole the item from a bedroom. In October burglars attempted to gain entry to a property on Ashurst Road via a UPVC double glazed window leaving the impression of the tool they used in the plastic. Sheds and garages fared less well with a total of six incidents reported to police. Two were at commercial premises targeting high value garden equipment the remaining four were at private addresses. At one an off road motor bike was targeted, and in another expensive professional tools were stolen. At the remaining two the offenders were disturbed and got away empty handed.

Car crime showed an alarming increase with thieves targeting Land Rover headlamps. A local man was arrested for handling stolen property following a search of his home address where four complete sets of lights matching the stolen items were located. Four other vehicles were broken into for valuables such as wallets, handbags or Sat Nav equipment , a

surprising number of vehicles were made very much more vulnerable by the simple fact that they were left unlocked, had valuables on display or even both.

As a team we have responded to your concerns over vehicle speed on several routes through the village including Station Road and Pinehurst Road with the establishment of a Community Speed Watch. On average we have established that only about 5% of vehicle traffic at the time of the speed checks was exceeding the speed at which a ticket would be issued. Only two motorists have been caught travelling above 40mph to date. All owners of the vehicles recorded have been sent a warning letter from Police and their details retained on a data base, should they be caught again they will receive a visit from an officer to discuss the dangers of their actions. During the year we have visited all the schools in the area and were delighted to spend a morning at Oakhurst First School where we took part in their British Values Day. We will continue to patrol the immediate vicinity of the schools as there are still isolated cases of inconsiderate parking at dropping off and picking up time.

You can find us on Facebook at Heatherlands West Moors and 2 Saints Safer Neighbourhood Team to see upcoming events and we encourage people to subscribe to Dorset Alert the new police messaging system. You can self-register on line at Dorset Alert to receive e mail messages on crime trends and crime prevention advice, if you do not have access to a computer please contact us on Tel. 101 and we can register you for the telephone based system.

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Monday	10.00 – 1.00
Tuesday	10.00 – 1.00
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	10.00 – 1.00
Friday	10.00 – 1.00
Saturday	10.00 - 11.00