

West Moors Parish Council

Winter 2017 Newsletter

Community Christmas spirit warms up the village.

So many people enjoyed the magical Carol Concert performance on the wonderful crisp winter's evening of December 9th 2016. A big 'thank you' should go to West Moors Youth Club for organizing this annual and traditional event. As always, the evening consisted of carols, readings, the children's Christmas card competition presentation, super raffles and a variety of stalls. Compered by Rev Andrew Rowland and with introductions by the Town Cryer Iain Mitchell, the atmosphere was a jolly and festive one.

In Autumn 2015 the Parish Council ran a children's competition to create a design which would become the face of the West Moors Parish Council's Christmas card, as a change from designing lights to hang on the lamp-posts in the village as in previous years. We were delighted to carry it out again for 2016. As before, many entries were received from children of St.Mary's First School and Oakhurst First School from Reception to Year 4. Unsurprisingly, the standard was very high. The designs were initially judged by the school then passed to the Chairman of the Council for final judgement. The winner was Miss Isobel Foster Year 3 from St. Mary's C of E First School, who received as a prize 20 copies of the printed Christmas card and also an art set. The runners up were Master Liam Stroud, Year 1 also from St. Mary's C of E First School and Master Kyron Gittins, Year 1 from Oakhurst Community First School who both received art sets as their prize. These were presented to them on stage after the Carol Concert by the Chairman of the Parish Council Cllr Penny Yeo

The West Moors Parish Council ran a raffle for which all 20 prizes were claimed and **the total raised was £171.** Thank you to all those who purchased tickets and also those who kindly donated prizes. All proceeds go towards the upgrade of the Fryer Field Play Area.



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Hope At Christmas





Top Left: Iain Mitchell the Town Cryer, Cllr Penny Yeo, Isobel Foster, Kyron Gittins and Liam Stroud. Top right: Chris from Chris Collectables on a motorbike kidnapping Santa at gunpoint! Winter 2017 Page 2

What's been going on?

REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE

Once again, the Royal British Legion and Parish Council were joined by many organisations and individuals at The War Memorial on the Petwyn, on Sunday 13th November 2016. The generosity of people on the day with donations and purchases of poppies was much appreciated. The total raised by the Parish Council for The Poppy Appeal was £57.63

The parish council will have poppies for sale before Remembrance Day next year also.

Sturts Farm requires a voluntary Secretary and Treasurer



SCT is a charity supporting people in their own homes, working to promote the uniqueness of each individual and foster self-reliance, personal responsibility and citizenship.

Allowing freedom of choice to develop individual skills and interests is a core principle. We need to recruit to our voluntary board of Trustees a Treasurer and a Company Secretary. Please note that due to the charitable status of SCT, these are unpaid positions and would require individuals attending meetings of the Trustees, approximately every 3 months on a Tuesday in the daytime. Reasonable expenses will be paid. If you are interested please contact Louise on 01202 854762 or louise.west@sturtsfarm.com.

Allotment Update

Since June 2016, 12 additional plots have been let at Gullivers Farm making a total of 37 plots at the site. Congratulations to the lucky new holders and apologies to those still on the waiting list. We wish we could include you all. A notice board has now been installed for use by the Allotment Holders Association and the Parish Council. West Moors Parish Council hopes that the plot holders are enjoying the fruits of their labour and feeling part of the community.

Senior Citizens Luncheon at West Moors Middle School.

Thursdays at 12noon (during term time only) West Moors Middle School hosts a Senior Citizen Lunch Club.



Arrive at 11:45 and wait to enjoy a freshly cooked two course meal with a drink for £5.40 only. It is advised to book in advance. Call Angie on 01202 872474 ext 212

West Moors
Middle
School

New Defibrillator at West Moors Memorial Hall (WMMH)

A new 24 hour access defibrillator cabinet was unveiled at West Moors Memorial Hall. on Friday 21st October 2016, by the Chairman of East Dorset District Council Cllr David Shortell. The high-tech defibrillator was donated by the Wimborne and Ferndown Lion's Club (They also donated an identical unit to the Parish Council, located at The Co-Op, Station Road). To represent the Lions Group was President Teresa North and Godwin Micallef (Lions Group Membership Chairman and a member of their Welfare Committee and the West Moors Youth and Community Club Secretary). District Cllr Andy Skeats organised this AED (Automated external defibrillator) unit to be installed. Two training seminars were provided. One was on 2nd November, 2016 by Community Heartbeat volunteer trainer Dave Laut at WMMH. The other was on 11th November at the Pavilion. Many thanks to the Community First Responders for South West Ambulance for volunteering their time.



Left to right: Godwin Micallef, Teresa North (President of The Lion's group), EDDC Chairman Cllr David Shortell,

Mark Farthing (Newly appointed Chairman of WMMH)

Far right is EDDC Cllr Andy Skeats Winter 2017 Page 3

Who do we help

Various Organisations received Grants in October 2016.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal (RBL)

The RBL poppy appeal was awarded with £100 for 2016/17 in recognition of the assistance they have given West Moors for the Remembrance Day Parade. Last year the Parish council increased the grant to RBL from £50 to £100.

East Dorset Citizens Advice Bureau (EDCAB)

In September 2015 the Parish Council awarded £250 to EDCAB. For 2016/17 a cheque of £300 was given to help maintain the level of service provided for the residents of West Moors. The cheque was collected from the office by Pat Temple (Advice Manager)

The following organisations attended the Christmas Council meeting on 15th December 2016 to receive their grants personally;

West Moors Memorial Hall (WMMH)

A grant of £500 for 2016/17 towards the upkeep of the car park, presented to Denis Richardson (Treasurer).

Sturts Farm

A generous amount of £750 for 2016/17 was given to Tim Woodward (General Manager) to help towards building raised beds at the allotments.

East Dorset Environment Partnership (EDEP)

A sum of £150 was presented to Mrs Hilary Chittenden (Chairman) to help support the work of their group. West Moors Parish Council last awarded EDEP £150 in September 2015.

Diverse Abilities (Coping with Chaos)

To help deliver open house sessions in the family centre in West Moors, the Parish Council granted £500 for 2016/17. The cheque was presented to Barbara Prentice.

New Forest Citizens Advice Bureau (NFCAB)

To help maintain the level of service provided for the residents of West Moors a £200 cheque (as awarded in 2015 also) was gratefully received by Mr Andy Clapper (CEO of the New Forest CAB).

Jean Ware Award (Formerly Legacy Award) 2016/17

The successful candidate for the 2016 Jean Ware Award was Callum Cockard, 16 who was presented with his award by the Chairman of the Parish Council on Thursday 15th December 2016.

Callum has been volunteering as a football coach for Grange Athletic YFC for 2 years but there are specific qualifications required to continue which the Parish Council's financial support will help achieve. His chosen career as a football coach will be closer to reach and assist him in providing input into the local community. Congratulations Callum!



Callum Crockard, winner of the Jean Ware Award 2016 and Chairman Cllr Penny Yeo

Grant to West Moors Youth and Community Club

West Moors Parish Council recognises the importance of the Youth Club with their annual grant of £3,300 which last year was awarded in September 2016 to the Local West Moors Youth and Community Club. As a result of Dorset County Council no longer funding any open access or buildings based youth work, the council offered to support their Youth worker with a generous amount of £5,000 for 2016. We thank them very much for providing challenging opportunities for the young people of our village.



Left to right: Hilary Chittenden (EDEP), Denis Richardson (WMMH), Barbara Prentice (Coping with Chaos), Tim Woodward and a companion from Sturts Farm, Andy Clapper (NFCAB) and Chairman Cllr Penny Yeo. Winter 2017 Page 4

Nomination for Police Support Volunteer Team of the Year Award

The Ferndown Police Community Office- Dorset celebrated their 10th Anniversary in 2015, a year in which more than 2,300 people visited and benefitted from the many facilities on offer. They are a team of six; Brian Frecknall, Geoff Hughes, Mike Wapshott, Derek Howshall, Cheryll Walters, Peter Ebers and Roger Long. The office is open six days a week selling a wide range of security products also providing invaluable support to victims of crime. Several years ago, the office bore fruit and the sheducation project to deter shed crime was developed, now a common sight at many local events. The last 12 months has been a testing time for the team, with several members being taken ill. Like a well-oiled machine, the remaining members have adapted and rallied together, never letting the service to the public be affected. The Ferndown Police Community Office absolutely deserves gratitude and recognition.

Vacancy for a Councillor - West Moors Parish Council Needs You!!



Become a parish councillor and become part of the heart of your village. The stronger your council the stronger your Community. Help us maintain the character and beauty that surrounds us. Take part in influencing important decisions that affect your parish and the next generation. Please contact the Clerk Judi Weedon on 01202 861044 or email westmoorsparish@btconnect.com for further details. We welcome everyone and would love to talk to you.

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WEST MOORS PARISH COUNCIL 'WORKING FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD'

West Moors Neighbour Car- DRIVERS NEEDED URGENTLY



Could you donate a few hours of your time every week to take pensioners to the doctor, dentist or hospital? Expenses of 60p per mile are paid monthly. If you are interested please ring and ask a few questions. Call the driver co-ordinator Keith on 01202 870941. You may be dependent on this service one day and if there are no volunteers then there is no neighbour car service. Any amount of time you can spare will help!!!

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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