

Northlew News

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

As previously pointed out in a previous edition of Northlew News, Northlew's roads don't lend themselves well to small people on bikes careering around on them. There are too many areas there are blind spots caused by bends and parked vehicles amongst other things. It has been noted that several children are playing on the roads on their bikes usually around Queen Street, Station Road, Crowden Road. Its very dangerous and the Council are asking that parents please stop their children doing it. Its felt that there will be an accident at some time and that would be awful.

Also, some children have been seen climbing up on the toilets roof. Again, very, very dangerous and it will damage the roof too. If, its your little darlings, then please tell them to stop.

CHAPEL NEWS

Thank you to everyone who supported our Fun Day at Brook Cottage on 30th July. We had a lovely warm day to enable us to enjoy the barbecue, cream teas and all the games and competitions. We made a profit of £482.01

On Saturday 17th September at 8 p.m. join us at the Victory Hall for a dance with Simon playing the keyboard.



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VICTORY HALL NEWS

Many thanks from the committee to Libby and her helpers and all who supported the Sunday Lunch in July. The amount raised was £545 which will go towards the cost of the dishwasher.

The following contribution to the Northlew News arrived in the email inbox without any clue as to where it came from. A completely anonymous contribution from someone who wants to make a very good point. Ed.

Around two and a half years ago a fresh new face appeared in the village of Northlew and I think it's about time that this person is given a bit of recognition for what he has done for our community. There are plenty of people who volunteer to help in this village and help raise a lot of money for charity but what Chris Marson has done goes way beyond the normal "call of duty".

Two years ago this village had no broadband – can you remember what dial-up was like? Yet now we switch on our computers and have a fast broadband connection. We know the system isn't bullet proof, but in general it works really well and it wouldn't work AT ALL without Chris – it's as simple as that. He has put many thousands of hours into the project and continues to put in at least 40 hours a week mostly unpaid. Sadly, most people only speak to him when there is a problem and he goes out of his way to help everybody. So next time you connect to the internet be thankful for what he has achieved and when you see him maybe say 'thank you' – he deserves all our thanks for getting the system up and running and maintaining it, we just wouldn't have it without his dedication.



Anthony Stock
DECORATOR

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Whilst talking about contributions to the community, there is someone else who needs a mention.

Recently Northlew had a very unwelcome visitor, rarely seen in these parts - Crime!

Did the perpetrators think that sleepy Northlew would be an easy target? Well they didn't take into account a very brave couple who went to investigate after a tip off from a neighbour. In particular the lady who went in the building whilst the offender was still on the premises.

The offenders were apprehended immediately. I hope this sends a message to anyone else who has any ideas about trying anything similar on our patch.

Ed.



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NORTHLEW ALLOTMENTS

Open Day 7th August

A fine turnout, considering the weather, to our first Open Day in August. The weather couldn't have been worse but we managed to raise around £200 towards the cost of - would you believe it - WATER! We hope that everyone enjoyed it, especially the chance to buy fresh produce and have tea and cake in the James' potting shed.

Produce Show

Don't forget we have another, very special, event planned for the 10th September. The Produce Show takes place in the Victory Hall. If you haven't already got a Programme they are available from the Church Room or Julie James 221663.

As well as the Produce Show there will be fabulous home cooked and

allotment grown food available all day. If you are very quick and book a three course lunch before the day, we will take a whole £1 off your bill so you just pay £6.50 instead of £7.50. That's for 3 courses - of soup, quiche and salad and apple pie. Contact any committee member (Cathy, Cheryl, Wenna, Felicity, Amy, Malcolm or Julie) to reserve your place.

And don't forget to enter one of the many classes - vegetables and flowers, cooking and crafts, to be in with a chance of winning.

Entry forms as soon as possible please to Julie James on 221663.



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LATE SUMMER BALL

There are still a few tickets available for the Summer Ball on the 3rd. Contact Richard or Jenny Cox or Libby. Phone numbers are on the poster.

Northlew Community Allotment Association

1st Produce and Craft Show



10th September in the Victory Hall

Programmes and entry forms available in the Church room or from Julie on 221663



Setting up 8.30 to 10.45am

Viewing 3 to 4.30 pm

Presentations 4.30pm

Plus!

An all day feast of home cooked and home grown food

Morning Coffee & Cake in the Chapel & Church Room 10.30 to 12

3 course lunches in the Chapel Room 12 to 2

Afternoon Tea in the Victory Hall 3 to 4.30

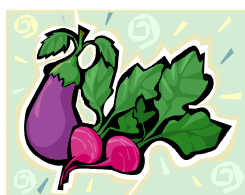
Children's

Raffle

Produce Hamper Draw

Treasure Hunt

Cake, Produce & Craft Stalls



Book your lunch early for a £1 discount.

What's on in Northlew

		Morning
Thur	1	
Fri	2	
Sat	3	Coffee & Chat and 50/50 shop. Methodist Hall 10am to 12am
Sun	4	Chapel Service 9.30 a.m. Mr John Hawkins. Church Service, Communion by Extension (Mrs I Dodd)
Mon	5	
Tues	6	
Wed	7	Toddler Group in the Victory Hall 10-12
Thur	8	
Fri	9	
Sat	10	Coffee & Chat and 50/50 shop. Methodist Hall 10am to 12am. Northlew Allotment Association's 1 st Produce Show.
Sun	11	Chapel Service 9.30 a.m. Miss Lesley Dinham. Church Service, Morning Prayer 9.30 (Mrs I Dodd)
Mon	12	
Tues	13	
Wed	14	Toddler Group in the Victory Hall 10-12
Thur	15	
Fri	16	
Sat	17	Coffee & Chat and 50/50 shop. Methodist Hall 10am to 12am
Sun	18	Chapel Service 9.30 a.m. Rev. John Peak. Church Service, Morning Prayer 9.30 (Rev. Ruth)
Mon	19	
Tues	20	
Wed	21	Toddler Group in the Victory Hall 10-12
Thur	22	
Fri	23	
Sat	24	Coffee & Chat and 50/50 shop. Methodist Hall 10am to 12am
Sun	25	Combined Family Service in Chapel 10am.
Mon	26	
Tues	27	
Wed	28	Toddler Group in the Victory Hall 10-12
Thur	29	
Fri	30	

September 2011

		Afternoon	Evening
Thur	1		
Fri	2	Post Office & stalls Church Room 1-3.30	
Sat	3	Ploughman's Lunch in the Church Rooms from 12-2pm	Summer Ball in aid of Devon Air Ambulance. 7.30 in Marquee on the Playing Field
Sun	4		Church Evening Prayer (LWL) 6.30pm
Mon	5		
Tues	6	Post Office and stalls in Church Room	
Wed	7	Women's Guild & Fellowship in Chapel Hall.	
Thur	8		
Fri	9	Post Office & stalls Church Room 1-3.30	Thai Boxing (5pm) and Thai Fit (7pm) Victory Hall
Sat	10	Methodist Hall 10am to 12am. Northlew Allotment Association's 1 st Produce Show.	
Sun	11		Parish Church 6.30 Evening Prayer (LWL)
Mon	12		
Tues	13	Post Office & stalls Church Room 1-3.30	
Wed	14	Mobile Library in the Square 2.25pm to 3.40pm.	
Thur	15		
Fri	16	Post Office & stalls Church Room 1-3.30	Thai Boxing (5pm) and Thai Fit (7pm) Victory Hall
Sat	17		Chapel Dance 8pm in the Victory Hall
Sun	18		Parish Church 6.30 Evening Prayer (LWL)
Mon	19		
Tues	20	Post Office and stalls in Church Room	
Wed	21		
Thur	22		
Fri	23	Post Office & stalls Church Room 1-3.30	Thai Boxing (5pm) and Thai Fit (7pm) Victory Hall
Sat	24		NADS Summer Production Victory Hall 7.30
Sun	25		Parish Church 6.30 Evening Prayer (Mrs I Dodd)
Mon	26		
Tues	27	Post Office & stalls Church Room 1-3.30	
Wed	28	Mobile Library in the Square 2.25pm to 3.40pm	
Thur	29		
Fri	30		Thai Boxing (5pm) and Thai Fit (7pm) Victory Hall

ADVERTISING

Those among us who advertise in the Northlew News may be wondering when payment is due for the next year. Well, it was due last month - but I've been busy. Last year I raised invoices for all - only to have the invoices returned with payment. If you don't need an invoice then please send your remittance to me at Little Apley, Station Road (payable to Northlew Parish Council). If you do want an invoice then let me know. Its £25 for the whole 12 issues - and don't forget the NN is now online and searchable.



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CHRIS' NEXT PROJECT

Since early 2009, Northlew has been without a village shop. As we all know, a village shop is the very heart of a community and without it house prices are much lower and we are all disadvantaged by its absence. Christopher Marson is currently forming a proposal for the parish council for its return but we need your help. The shop can only be returned if it is needed and will be supported by the community. Shortly, we will be putting up an online questionnaire at <http://www.northlew.net/shop.aspx> where we would like to hear the type of products you would like to buy and how often you would use it, this part of the process is essential in building the business plan for finance and the type of structure we should use. Furthermore, if you currently sell products in the church rooms we would love to hear from you as the shop will be designed to sell locally made products such as cakes, bread, cheese's, arts & crafts etc. We are also looking at having a weekly market day. We are a thriving community with a plethora of talents that could be put to good use and for a profit!

If you would like a village shop and can support us in anyway, please get in touch at northewbroadband@googlemail.com



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PARISH CHURCH NEWS

There will be a Ploughman's lunch in the Church Room on September 3rd from 12 until 2pm. Good nosh, good company and good value at £4.50 for adults and £2.50 for children. Tickets available from me (Pat D) or Frances Dufty.

Harvest Festival will be on October 2nd and 3rd. There will be services of thanksgiving for the harvest on the Sunday and Harvest Supper on Monday. Posters up nearer the time. Seems appropriate that the Ploughman's Lunch is following by Harvest. I should think there is a sermon there, somewhere.

Sorry this is so brief - am typing with one left hand finger, due to the right hand being temporarily out of action and its slow process. (Even slower than usual!)

Lew Gratton has now back hospital after a short time to Hatherleigh Residential Home. Tom Stratton is back home as is Tony Howick. We wish them good luck as they adjust to being out of the hospital routine again. John Spry is in Okehampton Hospital now and dealing very patiently with all the problems and set backs he has had. Love to John and Lily, and Helen. Although he is very tired, John appreciates short visits from friends. Best to ask the Sister before going to his room.

Pat Durston

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At 7pm the adults get their turn with Thai Fit. At a cost of £4 per session.

WOMENS GUILD & FELLOWSHIP

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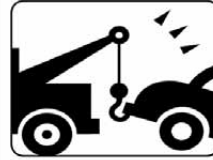
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Dec 19th

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Jan 8th

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19th Feb

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