

NYNEHEAD NEWS



CHRISTMAS PARTY

Nynehead Memorial Club
Saturday 11 December 2021

The children's party will start at 6.00pm, the Adults' evening starts at 8pm. Food will be provided for the Children's party, please can Adults all bring a plate for their party if they are willing or feel free to just come and party!



Please can parents bring a wrapped, labelled gift for their children to help the Man in Red!



ALL SAINTS CHURCH

We are still holding just two services each month with Holy Communion on the second Sunday of the month, and a lay led service on the fourth Sunday. We also serve tea and coffee in church at the end of most services.

12th December at 11.00 am - Holy Communion led by Rev Martin Kirkbride from Wellington

19th December at 3.00 pm - FAMILY CAROL SERVICE with traditional carols and readings led by Rev Maria Hearl

Christmas Day at 10.30 am - we have no clergy available to hold Holy Communion, so this will be a short lay led service of Christmas celebration, followed by sherry or coffee.

As we were unable to sing because of Government restrictions last year, we hope that as many people as possible will join us to sing Christmas carols this year.

Rachel Vest
Churchwarden
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QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

*A Joint Committee meeting was held on Friday 12th November
and the below itinerary agreed for the celebrations in June 2022.*

Thursday 2nd June
21.00 - Pipes, followed by lighting of the beacon & BBQ for all

Friday 3rd June
Afternoon of family fun & children's activities TBC

Saturday 4th June
All Day - Pop-up cafe & cream teas at Nynhead Church
Evening - Nynhead Club opens for televised concerts & events

Sunday 5th June
11.00 - "Songs of Praise" at Nynhead Church, followed by
refreshments in The Orangery, Nynhead Court
Afternoon - Tea party & entertainment at Nynhead Memorial Hall
Professional photograph of all villagers
Prizes awarded for best fancy dress & best decorated house in the village
Raffle prize draw

Fundraising Ideas: A quiz at Nynhead Memorial Hall | Barn Dance
Next Meeting is on Thursday 20th January 2022 at 19.00
Any suggestions, raffle prizes or donations welcome, please contact:
Joe Frost - 01823 663 909



Please come along to the meeting in January if you are interested in helping with the celebrations.

PARISH COUNCIL

Quarterly Report (September 2021 – November 2021)

As is customary, Nynehead Parish Council did not meet in September, but progress has been made on several fronts in subsequent weeks.

The Annual Parish Meeting in early October, cancelled last year due to Covid restrictions, was well attended and productive in generating ideas for possible medium- and long-term initiatives for the community in the future.

The Annual Parish Walk in September, led by Mr Joe Frost, attracted a good number of participants and was enjoyed by all. The Council would like to thank Mr Frost and Mr Ben Tingay for all the strimming they have done over the summer months and for keeping the footpaths so well maintained.

The new Nynehead website is now, finally, nearing completion. The structure is built and most of the content is in place. The new logo is installed on the Homepage and images can be added over the coming months. Currently, a stock image is being used but the Council would welcome photos of the village and surrounding landscape that residents may wish to share. Any contributions should be sent to the Clerk at nyneheadclerk@gmail.com. Once approved by the Council, the new site will run parallel to the old one until a decision has been made as to how best to store historic material. Mr Lee Vickery from Boost It Media will attend the first part of the Parish Council meeting on the 13th December to run through all aspects of the new site on screen. Training for all users who are responsible for a section of the website, has been arranged for **Monday 10th January 2022 at 7.00 pm**.

Progress, albeit slow, is also being made with the introduction of speed restrictions on all lanes approaching Nynehead. The SCC Traffic Management Department has agreed to the proposals for some 20 mph stretches made by the Parish Council and this has now been submitted to the police for approval. The speed data collected earlier in the year indicated that the average speeds are already, generally, low but the introduction of specific limits would enable the Parish Council to carry out community speed watch to deter dangerous driving and reduce the number of minor accidents.

In September, the Parish Council was successful in its bid for a grant from the SCC Opening Up and Reconnecting Communities Fund which will be used to hire the Memorial Hall for a few hours one afternoon every fortnight over a six-month trial period. It is recognised that the Covid pandemic has impacted negatively upon social gatherings which has left some people feeling isolated and alone. This is an opportunity for people to reconnect. Everyone is welcome and it is hoped that villagers will enjoy the occasion to socialise in a warm, friendly environment over tea and home baked cakes. Aply, the fortnightly gathering will be called "Nynehead Natters", and, in time, there may also be the opportunity to bring and buy homemade produce and craftwork. This initiative will begin with a **Nynehead Christmas Tea on Friday 17th December from 2.00 to 4.00 pm**. There will be plenty of festive fare and cheer. The more people who come, the merrier it will be!

With the year now drawing to a close, the Parish Council has turned its attention to the Budget and setting of the Precept for 2022-2023. The repercussions of Brexit and the Covid pandemic have impacted hard upon the economy and it seems certain that the cost of living will rise. To help mitigate this, the Council has agreed that the precept for 2022-2023 should be set at £6725. This will allow the Council to cater for expected increased costs but with a minimal impact upon individual households. The Band D equivalent Tax Charge will be £39.79 per annum. Compared to last year, this represents an increase of only £1.16 per annum/£0.10 per month.

Nynehead Parish Council would like to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a healthy 2022.

Judy Jones

Parish Clerk - nyneheadclerk@gmail.com

GARDEN CLUB

Nynehead Garden Club had a slow start to 2021 due to Covid but hit the ground running with another highly successful Flower Show in August and big thanks to everyone who helped on the day, particularly to the non- Garden Club members who made it a truly **village** flower show. So now it's time to browse through those seed catalogues for next year's winning exhibits.

The outgoing committee has a programme sorted for the first part of 2022, and after our AGM on Monday 6th December, the new committee will complete the events for the rest of the year. We look forward to seeing old and new members in 2022.

There will be no meetings in January and February so the next one will be on Monday 7th March 2022

All meetings are 7.00 pm for a prompt speaker start at 7.30 pm.

ART EXHIBITION with work by members of Nynehead Art Group

Nynehead Memorial Hall on Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th December from 11.00 am to 4.00 pm.

All welcome - free entry - refreshments available.

JUBILEE PLAYING FIELD

Things are progressing well with the Jubilee Playing Field, with a thorough mow and tidy being completed ahead of winter. We have now purchased our own lawn mower for regular upkeep. Thanks to Paul Prettejohn Garden Machinery for their advice and for offering free annual servicing going forward.

Thanks also to all those who completed our community survey; we have collated all the feedback and are now looking at several options for improving the facilities. These include a woodland play area, exercise equipment and a review of existing surfaces.

If you have any comments, wish to volunteer, or even join the committee please email nyneheadplayingfield@gmail.com.

TEXTILES WORKSHOP

Tutors Gary Mills and Joan Herrington introduce a contemporary textiles workshop with the theme of "The Earth Beneath Your Feet" to kick start a creative journey over three sessions this Spring, which explores creating textures and manipulation of fabric in all its forms.

The sessions will be held at Nynehead Memorial Hall on three Fridays, 11th February, 11th March and 8th April from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm.

This contemporary textile workshop has been developed for those creatives who wish to explore new and innovative approaches to textiles. If you are someone who wishes to push both personal and traditional boundaries within your creativity, then this is the workshop for you. Each of the sessions are textiles related; be that for the body, interior or surface; final outcomes can be explored and decided by the learner.

This season's theme will take inspiration from the geological structure of the planet we live on. As we are based in the West Country famous for its Jurassic coastline, you will be using this as a great inspirational starting point to express your creativity in a textile's outcome.

The workshop charge for the three sessions is £120.00 total for the three sessions. Materials and equipment not included as a guide list will be given for each session.

For more information and booking contact Gary Mills - garymillsdesigns@aol.com

AVON AND SOMERSET POLICE

Fire safety on the farm

Every year we attend on average 286 fires at farms and smallholdings. Some years – particularly when there is a hot summer – we have attended more than 400 fires involving farming equipment, vehicles, crops and buildings. Farm fires can be devastating, resulting in the loss of machinery, livestock, stores of hay and straw, and the destruction of buildings.

Farms are at a high risk of fire and there are often a lot of combustible materials stored in or around agricultural buildings. Due to the isolated location and sometimes poor water supplies to fight fires, there is also a risk of farm fires getting out of control.

The biggest fire risks on the farm are farm vehicle and machinery fires; hay fires; fires caused by sparks from welding or grinding; electrical faults causing fires; fires from human causes and fires involving fuel and hazardous materials.

Be prepared for fire by keeping escape routes clear at all times and all areas free from rubbish, oily cloths and other combustible materials. Make sure everyone at the farm knows what to do in the event of a fire. Carry a mobile phone at all times, especially if working alone. Keep firefighting equipment in good working order and ensure it is serviced regularly. Make sure it is always easily accessible and that everyone is aware of where it is located. Make sure that the entrance to your farm is clearly signposted and keep all access routes clear for emergency vehicles. Download the What3words app to give a specific location to the emergency services.

In an agricultural fire get to a safe place away from the fire and then call 999 with the following details:

- full location – ordnance survey grid reference or What3words location if possible
- what is involved or likely to become involved in the fire i.e. chemicals, hay etc.
- information about access to the fire for fire engines
- if there will be problems accessing water supplies
- send someone to direct the fire service when they arrive.

Stay away from the fire and then when everyone is safe prepare to evacuate livestock should the fire spread; use farm machinery to assist the fire and rescue service to move straw/hay etc.

Protect your animals and livestock from risk of fire by making sure you have an animal evacuation plan for your livestock in the event of a fire. Do not store flammable items near livestock

A large number of farm fires are caused by arson. There are some simple precautions that you can take to reduce the risk of these attacks:

Lock all sheds and buildings; keep all fuels, chemicals, pesticides and fertilisers locked away; repair or replace any damaged fencing or gates; display security notices and install security alarms and lighting and use dogs or geese to give early warning of intruders.

Hay and straw should be removed from fields as soon as possible after harvesting and stored separately from other buildings, particularly those housing fuels, agrochemicals and machinery. It should be in stacks of reasonable size, spaced at least ten metres apart and separate from livestock housing. Rubbish should be disposed of safely and on a regular basis.

STABLE ARTS

There are now regular Saturday morning coloured pencil and pastel pencil classes being held at Nynehead Memorial Hall

All courses are 10.00 am to 4.00 pm and cost £10.00 per hour in a Covid-safe venue and a deposit is required to secure the booking. Early booking is essential. Please see our Facebook and Instagram pages for any date alterations due to Covid E-mail Merry at stablearts@hotmail.com for details of all courses and to book.

Merry Roberts
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Allwinds Dog First Aid Ltd

Dog First Aid Course

**Nynehead Village Hall
Nynehead, Wellington
TA21 0BH**

**Thursday 13th January 2022
5pm until 9.30pm**

Come and learn how to deal with a canine emergency situation with confidence. Practise CPR skills, bandaging techniques, learn about hypothermia, fractures, seizures and much more!

Taught by a qualified veterinary nurse.

**Tickets are £45pp and these can be purchased via our website
Hope to see you there!**



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SOMERSET BUS PARTNERSHIP

The future is suddenly starting to look a lot brighter for bus services in Somerset.

Over the past decade, public transport has not been an economic and developmental priority for Somerset County Council. Residents of this large, mainly rural county have been encouraged to rely on cars to get them to work as well as to shops, hospitals and places of entertainment and bus travel has dwindled accordingly. Bus journeys in the County have fallen by 43% over the past decade, we now have the second lowest bus journeys per head in the country and our bus services have the lowest satisfaction score.

But the Government's Bus Back Better strategy has prompted a major rethink with £3 billion of funding for bus improvements to be shared out between transport authorities across England (outside of London). Somerset County Council has responded and developed a highly ambitious Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) and is asking the Government to fund the Somerset BSIP with an eye watering £163 million grant. You can read the 184pp document that Somerset has submitted justifying this bid here <https://www.somerset.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/transport-strategy> (the BSIP document can be found under the National Bus Strategy Section).

Even if the full amount of the Somerset bid is not granted, it is a recognition by Somerset County Council that its bus services need major improvement. Transport is the biggest emitter of carbon emissions in Somerset accounting for 44.1% of Somerset's total emissions. Given COP26, we must now make sure Somerset pursues the initiatives outlined in the Somerset Bus Service Improvement Plan that encourage a switch to public transport and away from single occupancy private cars. This will reduce our carbon footprint.

Somerset Bus Partnership was set up so that the voices of bus users from across Somerset are heard. We now have over 80 "bus representatives" from all parts of the county who ensure we understand and reflect the needs of towns and parishes across the county. We still need some more representatives. Could you be your parish bus representative? Check if your parish still needs a representative:

<https://www.somersetbuspartnership.co.uk/representative>

We are also looking for support with the Somerset Bus Partnership's core team. Have you had management experience of the bus industry or in a transport department within a Council? Please do get in touch if you have.

Somerset is now entering an Enhanced Partnership with local bus service operators to implement the Somerset Bus Service Improvement Plan. Somerset Bus Partnership has been invited to attend the launch of the Bus Advisory Board in late November. This is Somerset's first step in establishing a partnership arrangement with local bus companies. Somerset Bus Partnership will continue to work with bus users and will hold Somerset County Council to the ambitious and worthy goals now espoused in the Somerset Bus Improvement Plan.

AVIAN INFLUENZA

It is that time of year again and Avian Influenza infection has been spreading across Europe and now it is in the UK.

The South West Trading Standards Service has advised that an Avian Influenza Prevention Zone was declared across Great Britain on the 3rd November 2021. This means that all bird keepers (whether they have pet birds, commercial flocks or just a few birds in a backyard) are required by law to take a range of bio-security precautions including:

- Keep domestic ducks and geese separate from other poultry.
- Ensure the areas where birds are kept are unattractive to wild birds, for example by netting ponds, and by removing wild bird food sources.
- Feed and water their birds in enclosed areas to discourage wild birds.
- Minimise movement into and out of bird enclosures.
- Cleanse and disinfect footwear and keep areas where birds live clean and tidy.

- Reduce any existing contamination by cleansing and disinfecting concrete areas and fencing off wet or boggy areas.
 - Keep free ranging birds within fenced areas, and ponds, watercourses and permanent standing water must be fenced off (except in specific circumstances, e.g., zoo birds).
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CRIBBAGE

Are you interested in learning how to play or already experienced? I am looking to start a group one weekday afternoon.

For further information please contact Billy Sexton on 07864 079188

NEWSLETTER

My thanks, as always, to David Raybould for printing the newsletter and to Jackie Day, Clare Billings, Gary Sparks, Hilary Hooper, Sandra and Joe Frost and Duncan Linklater for delivering it

This is your newsletter. If you would like to contribute, either in an article, picture or other format then please let me have it by the relevant editorial deadline.

If you would like to receive the newsletter electronically, please send me your email address and include your postal address so that we make sure you don't get a paper copy as well!

You can also find the newsletter on the village website - <http://nynehead.org/index.php/community/newsletter> .

Rosemary Lea

DIARY

Event	Date	Venue	Time
Nynehead Art Group Exhibition	Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th December	Memorial Hall	11.00 am/4.00 pm
Garden Club AGM and Party	Monday 6th December	Memorial Hall	7.00 pm
Police surgery	Thursday 9th December	Outside Memorial Hall	2.00/3.00 pm
Christmas Party	Saturday 11th December	Nynehead Club	Children 6.00 pm Adults 8.00 pm
Holy Communion	Sunday 12th December	All Saints Church	11.00 am
Parish Council meeting	Monday 13th December	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Nynehead Natters Christmas Tea	Friday 17th December	Memorial Hall	2.00/4.00 pm
Family carol service	Sunday 19th December	All Saints Church	3.00 pm
Christmas service	Saturday 25th December	All Saints Church	10.30 am
Nynehead website training	Monday 10th January	Memorial Hall	7.00 pm
Dog first aid course	Thursday 13th January	Memorial Hall	5.00/9.30 pm
Parish Council meeting	Monday 17th January	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Queen's Platinum Jubilee meeting	Thursday 20th January	Memorial Hall	7.00 pm
Textiles workshop	Friday 11th February	Memorial Hall	10.00 am/3.00 pm
Parish Council meeting	Monday 14th February	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm

USEFUL CONTACTS

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The proposed dates for the newsletter for the next year are as follows:

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