

NYNEHEAD NEWS

QUEEN ELIZABETH II

A week after the last newsletter was published came the news that the Queen had died. Nynehead celebrated many milestones in her life, including Jubilees and birthdays, the most recent of which was her Platinum Jubilee in June, and it was wonderful to see so many people enjoying the events that were put on in the village. Elizabeth II gave her life to serving the people of Great Britain and the Commonwealth and we are so fortunate to have had her as our Queen.

NYNEHEAD NATTERS

CHRISTMAS TEA

FREE
EVENT
FOR
ALL

Friday 16th December
Nynehead Memorial Hall | 2-4pm

FESTIVE FARE | SEASONAL QUIZ

Also join us in the New Year for free fortnightly socials, from Friday 6th January 2023 onwards. Everyone in the community is welcome, we'd love to see you there.

JUBILEE PLAYING FIELD

We hope everyone has enjoyed use of the playing field over the Summer and Autumn months. As we head into Winter, we will be carrying out the usual maintenance and upkeep tasks, alongside some exciting developments for the New Year. Having secured a grant from the Somerset Community Fund, and after a generous donation of CIL moneys from the Nynehead Parish Council, we have now purchased new exercise equipment for the field. We are also having a new climbing wall and smaller slide built over the existing tunnel for younger children and toddlers. This is currently under construction in the workshop and will be installed in January ready to use in the Spring. This does mean that the field will be closed for a short period of time whilst the works are underway, but we hope that once complete, the new equipment will be a great asset to the village.

Sadly, two of our committee members will be standing down next year, we'd like to thank them for everything they've achieved to date, including our wonderful play structures, and the transformation of the field into a space for everyone in the community.

If you'd be interested in joining the committee and coming up with new ideas for the Playing Field, we'd love to welcome you. We meet approximately four times a year, with varying levels of involvement throughout the seasons. For more information please contact our Chairperson: Rachael Ball Risk - rachaelnyneheadparish@gmail.com | 01823 975826

ALL SAINTS CHURCH – Advent and Christmas services

Sunday 4th December	Sunday 11th December	Sunday 18th December	Sunday 25th December
No service	11.00 am Holy Communion	3.00 pm Family Carol service	11.00 am Holy Communion

We hope that as many people as possible will come and celebrate Christmas with us at Nynehead Church. On Sunday 18th December we will hold our usual village candlelit Carol Service at 3.00 pm. This will be just readings and carols, and if anyone wishes to choose a carol, please telephone Rachel Vest on 01823.461758.

On Christmas Day our vicar Alan Ellacott will conduct a service of Family Holy Communion at 11.00 am.

PARISH COUNCIL

Quarterly Report (September to November 2022)

Progress with the introduction of speed restrictions in Nynehead has been disappointingly and frustratingly slow. The latest communication from SCC Traffic Management indicated that the approved plan is still awaiting submission to the TRO team to be advertised and they apologised for the delay. They have agreed they will do all they can to alert drivers to the narrowing of the road by Hornshay bridge and refresh the Slow marking by Wharf Cottage whilst also adding yellow bar markings. As the stretch of road from the railway bridge to the river bridge just before Hornshay Farm does not meet the Department of Transport criteria for a 30 mph limit, the 40 mph will now be extended all the way from Cades roundabout to the bridge at Hornshay Farm, where it will reduce to 20 mph.

On other fronts, there is more encouraging news. The Parish Council was delighted to donate £1,300 to The Jubilee Playing Field from CIL monies that had to be spent by March 2023. This will be used to buy new

pieces of static equipment for teenagers and adults and one new piece of play equipment for children – a slide over the existing tunnel. Enjoyable assets available to all. Another benefit to the community is the thriving Nynehead Natters group that continues to gather socially in the Memorial Hall every other Friday from 2.00 to 4.00 pm. The Christmas Party will take place on Friday 16th December. It should be noted that from **January to March 2023 the times will be from 1.00 to 3.00 pm** when lunch in the form of a soup and roll will be served instead of tea and cake. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge. The dates for the first part of next year are as follows: **Fridays 6th and 20th January, 3rd and 17th February and 3rd, 17th and 31st March 2023.**

Following the Council's decision, last month, to cease business with Boost It Media, a new web developer is now well underway with a bespoke rather than modular design of the Nynehead website. This allows for new features which include greater capacity for news items and images, together with the use of cookies to analyse how much the website is being used. The increased design elements are far tidier and easier to navigate in terms of accessibility and full compliance will be guaranteed with a written statement of accessibility. Thereafter, compliance will be reviewed annually by an independent provider.

The Parish Council has recently been informed by the Boundary Commission for England that the Parliamentary Constituency boundary changes have reached the final stage of consultation. They are proposing to separate Nynehead from Wellington / Taunton, including the village instead in the Tiverton and Minehead constituency. As Nynehead has no amenities of its own and is very much part of the Wellington Town community, the Parish Council believes that this is inappropriate and that the MP for Wellington should also represent the surrounding villages. As a result, the Parish Council has registered its disagreement, and encourages Nynehead residents to do the same. A new revised map of constituency proposals can be found on the consultation website bcereviews.org.uk, where views can also be submitted before the closing date of **Monday 5th December 2022.**

Following the recent resignation of the Clerk, arrangements are underway to appoint a replacement. Details of the appointment can be found on the Nynehead website and notice boards as well as in the Nynehead News and on the Wellington Community Facebook page. Further information and a detailed job description are available from the Chairman, Dr J Butterley jan@nyneheadfruit.co.uk. The appointment will commence on the 1st February 2023 and the closing date for applications is Tuesday 20th December 2022. Please see the end of the newsletter for further details.

With the year now drawing to a close, the Parish Council has also turned its attention to the Budget and setting of the Precept for 2023 - 2024. In the expectation that the budget set this financial year will cater for the remaining operational costs and mindful of the economic hardships ahead, the Council does not wish to impose any increase on the Precept for 2023 – 2024. However, as information concerning the Local Tax Base has not yet been made available by SCC, it is not possible to calculate the actual cost for Band D properties. The final approval will be made at the next Parish Council meeting on the 16th January 2023.

As there is no Council meeting in December this year, Nynehead Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a healthy 2023.

Judy Jones

Clerk to Nynehead Parish Council - nyneheadclerk@gmail.com

MEMORIAL HALL

We are looking for someone to help with the Hall's bookings and hirers working alongside Denny, who manages this.

This is a paid position and would involve:

Meeting new hirers, showing them around and completing the paperwork. Also, checking the Hall before and after use and sorting out anything that needed doing before the next hirers.

This is very flexible and varied position that would give someone the opportunity to be involved with the village meeting lots of different people

For further information please contact Gordon Stead - gordontstead@gmail.com

NYNEHEAD MEMORIAL CLUB



CHRISTMAS PARTY

SATURDAY 10TH DECEMBER

The children's party will start at 6.30 pm and the party for adults will begin at 8.00 pm.

Food will be provided for the children's party; please can adults all bring a plate of food.

Please can parents also bring a wrapped, labelled gift for their children to help the Man in Red. So that we can cater for the children attending, please can you let Joe Frost know by Friday 2nd December (01823 663909) if your child/children will be there.

We will be open on Christmas Eve for our normal hours of 8.00 to 11.00 pm and again on New Year's Eve from 8.00 pm to 12.30 am. The Club will be supplying cheese and crackers for the evening and all members will be very welcome.

NYNEHEAD and DISTRICT HISTORY SOCIETY

The Society has restarted following the pandemic but would love to have more members. So far we have had talks on the A38 and the town stream and the building of All Saints' Church at Rockwell Green and its connections with Freemasonry. The following talks have been arranged to start at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall:

Friday 9th December 2022 - Dr Clive Wilson will talk on "The History of the Meteorological Office"

Friday 13th January 2023 - John Young will talk on "The Bible Christians and their incursion into Somerset"

Friday 10th February 2023 - Dr Carole Lomas will talk on "Why the landscape matters"

DOG POO ON FOOTPATHS


Dog poo is beginning to be a problem again on our footpaths, in particular the path from the Memorial Hall to the Treatment Works. Not only is it unsightly but small children are stepping in it, other dogs are in danger of disease from eating it and our volunteers are at risk from the mess flying up when they are strimming. Please pick it up and either take it home or put it in the bin in the Hall car park.

I hope you will co-operate and many thanks. - *Joe Frost - Footpath Liaison Officer*

AVIAN INFLUENZA PREVENTION ZONE
REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL POULTRY AND CAPTIVE BIRD KEEPERS

- ✓ Keep free-ranging birds in fenced areas to minimise contact with wild birds, neighbouring poultry or captive birds.
- ✓ Inspect outdoor areas, removing wild bird contaminants like faeces, feathers and wild bird carcasses.
- ✓ Fence off or put netting over areas of standing water or ponds.
- ✓ Provide feed and water undercover, so wild birds can't access it.
- ✓ Make your premises unattractive to wild birds. Use bird scarers, foils or streamers.
- ✓ Keep ducks and geese separate from other poultry.
- ✓ Store bedding under cover to reduce the risk of contamination.
- ✓ Clean and disinfect footwear before and after tending to your birds. If you own more than 50 birds, place foot dips containing Government approved disinfectant at all entry and exit points.
- ✓ Clean and disinfect hard surfaces regularly.
- ✓ Clean and disinfect equipment and vehicles to avoid disease spread between premises.
- ✓ Minimise the movement of people, vehicles and equipment to and from bird areas and keep records of movements.
- ✓ Keep records of poultry, captive bird and egg movements.
- ✓ Maintain buildings that house birds to prevent water ingress
- ✓ Ensure pest control is effective.



 Animal & Plant Health Agency

Non-compliance with these biosecurity measures may be an offence.

NEWSLETTER

My thanks as always to David Raybould, Duncan Linklater, Hilary Hooper, Sandra and Joe Frost, Jackie Day and Gary Sparks for their help with the printing and delivery of the newsletter.

This is your newsletter. If you would like to contribute, either in an article, with a 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.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all.

DIARY

Event	Date	Venue	Time
Police surgery	Thursday 8th December	Outside Memorial Hall	2.00/3.00 pm
History Society meeting	Friday 9th December	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Club Christmas parties	Saturday 10th December	Nynehead Club	Children 6.30 pm Adults 8.00 pm
Holy Communion	Sunday 11th December	All Saints Church	11.00 am
Garden Club AGM and Christmas party	Monday 12th September	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Nynehead Natters Christmas tea	Friday 16th December	Memorial Hall	2.00/4.00 pm
Carol service	Sunday 18th December	All Saints Church	3.00 pm
Nynehead Club open	Saturday 24th December	Nynehead Club	8.00/11.00 pm
Family Holy Communion	Sunday 25th December	All Saints Church	11.00 am
Nynehead Club open	Saturday 31st December	Nynehead Club	8.00 pm/12.30 am
Nynehead Natters lunch	Friday 6th January	Memorial Hall	1.00/3.00 pm
History Society meeting	Friday 13th January	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Parish Council meeting	Monday 16th January	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Nynehead Natters lunch	Friday 20th January	Memorial Hall	1.00/3.00 pm
Nynehead Natters lunch	Friday 3rd February	Memorial Hall	1.00/3.00 pm
History Society meeting	Friday 10th February	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Nynehead Natters lunch	Friday 17th February	Memorial Hall	1.00/3.00 pm
Parish Council meeting	Monday 20th February	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm

USEFUL CONTACTS

	Telephone No.		Telephone No.
NHS – Non-urgent	111	Police – Non-urgent	101

Organisation	Contact	Telephone No.	Email Address
Parish Council			
Chairman	Jan Butterley	461349	jan@nyneheadfruit.co.uk
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	Rachael Ball Risk	975826	rachaelnyneheadparish@gmail.com
	Malcolm Vest	461758	malcolm.vest@btinternet.com
Clerk to the Council	Judy Jones	664352	nyneheadclerk@gmail.com
Footpath Liaison Officer	Joe Frost	663909	sanJo7@talktalk.net
District and County Councillor	Gwilym Wren	400657	cllr.g.wren@somersetwestandtaunton.gov.uk
Police	PCSO Vicky Henderson	07889 655302	victoria.henderson@avonandsomerset.police.uk
All Saints Church			
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Secretary and Events	David Raybould	07967 657122	daraybould@btinternet.com
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History Society	Sheila Rabson	666609	rabsons@btinternet.com
Jubilee Playing Field	Hazel Williams	619363	hazevans@gmail.com
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Village Agent	Elaine Gardner	07494 883134	elaineg@somersetccc.org.uk
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The proposed dates for the newsletter for the next year are as follows:

Deadline for copy

Tuesday 21st February 2023
 Sunday 21st May 2023
 Monday 21st August 2023
 Tuesday 21st November 2023

Publication date

Wednesday 1st March 2023
 Thursday 1st June 2023
 Friday 1st September 2023
 Friday 1st December 2023



Vacancy for Parish Clerk & RFO

Applications are invited for the position of Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer (RFO) for Nynehead Parish Council to commence on the 1st February 2023.

The Clerk is responsible for organising meetings of the Council and assisting the Chairman. Responsibilities include: administration of Council's paperwork and governance (including policies), advice on procedure and implementing instructions of Council. As RFO, the Clerk is responsible for financial management of Council ensuring full transparency and accountability.

Attendance would be required at the monthly meetings usually held on the third Monday of every month in Nynehead Memorial Hall at 19.30. The Clerk works from home and office expenses are paid with a laptop and printer supplied.

The Clerk is expected to work at least 22 hours per month. Salary is subject to level of experience. Free professional training is available. For more information about the village and Nynehead Parish Council visit nynehead.org



**Please send a letter of application and C.V. to the Chairman, Dr J Butterley.
Email: jan@nyneheadfruit.co.uk | Tel: 01823 461349 / 07899 924671**

Closing date for applications is the 20th December 2022

