

RYDA Newsletter

11/2022

WHAT AN HONOUR!

Jon Moore has been the Standard Bearer for the Yealm Branch Royal British Legion since 2012. He had the privilege of parading the Branch Standard on the Grand Pilgrimage to the battlefields of The Somme and Ypres in 2018, but an even greater honour was awaiting him. Last month he was the sole representative from RBL Devon to be invited to parade the Branch Standard at the funeral of HM The Queen Elizabeth. Jon's personal account of this momentous event is below.



As we know, HM Queen Elizabeth died on Thursday 8th September and a long, rehearsed and meticulously planned chain of events, events that nobody hoped would ever happen, sprang into action. Operation London Bridge was executed.

I have been the RBL Standard bearer for the Yealm Branch since 2012, joining after completing 24 years' service in the Royal Navy, all of them in submarines. I received an urgent e-mail on Friday 9th September telling me that I had been selected to be a RBL Standard bearer at the funeral of HM Queen Elizabeth and I was to confirm my attendance by noon the next day and be in London on Tuesday. It took me less than 2 minutes to reply with a resounding 'yes'.

Time off work was quickly sorted out and a weekend of booking travel and sorting/finding/cleaning kit ensued, still with no details of the coming weeks arrangements. I arrived in London on Tuesday afternoon to meet up with other Standard bearers who had been selected. Our part in the funeral was to be the Massed Standards of the RBL and we would line Whitehall, standing either side of the Cenotaph as Her Majesty made her final journey from Westminster Abbey to Windsor. There were 72 of us, drawn from across the country, trying to cover as many counties and districts as possible, I think all of us still in shock at being chosen. Training and briefings became a daily event. We had overnight practice, full dress rehearsals taking place throughout the night, this is when the enormity of the event started to sink in. There is something deeply emotional about watching Britain's Armed forces march past in all their splendour, followed by the Royal Navy pulling an empty gun carriage through the streets of London at 4 o-clock in the morning, in silence, only the sound of marching feet and horses hooves audible.

The day of the funeral started extremely early as we made our way to Whitehall to prepare ourselves to be part of an incredibly sad day in history. We marched onto Whitehall and formed up either side of the Cenotaph while the funeral service took place in Westminster. The streets were rammed with people, some waved flags, some clapped, others cried. Our 72 Standards were lowered as one, for the 2-minute silence and the 'new' National Anthem, and a few tears were shed. This signalled the end of the Westminster service and the start of the funeral procession. It was amazing to watch branches from across our Armed Services march past, perfectly in time, not a single mistake made, doing what we do best. As Her Majesty passed in front of us, traditionally pulled by Royal Navy sailors on her gun carriage, our Standards were again lowered as one, as a final RBL mark of respect, and raised once the rest of the Royal family had passed.

As the procession finished, we left turned and, to the sound of the Royal Marines band, marched off Whitehall to rounds of applause and cheers. Back to the safety of our building we could relax and let the enormity of what had just happened sink in. To say I was honoured and proud to be part of such a historic day would be a massive understatement. I feel immensely privileged to have been able to represent not only the Yealm Branch of the RBL, but the whole of Devon.

PLEASE KEEP A SECRET!

'TREVOR THE BUTCHER'

It is now widely known that Trevor and Debbie Randle will be retiring in the next few weeks and so our local butcher will be closing for good. They have not yet decided on a final date but it will probably be around the end of November, certainly before Christmas. Trevor is now in his 41st year of supplying locals, visitors and tradesmen with his meat, pies and pasties, not to mention his irresistible Scotch eggs.

As a farewell and thank you to Trevor and Debbie, there is a collection box in the Post Office if you wish to make a donation.

Finally, it is hoped to keep the collection a secret from them both, so Mum's the word!

Jon Moore

More Bees and Butterflies in your Garden?

Let's make the gardens in our villages a haven for pollinating insects. They would play an



important role in halting and reversing insect declines if enough of us were to make our green spaces insect-friendly. It does mean avoiding the use of pesticides/weedkillers and not being too tidy! Below are a few suggestions for choosing plants/bulbs flowers that will thrive in this area in winter/spring and provide bees and insects with nectar during winter and early spring. Remember that on the whole single flowers are

better for bees as they can find it difficult to access the nectar in double.

Garden bulbs - plant soon! Alliums Grape hyacinth Hyacinth

Snowdrop Winter aconite Crocus

Iris reticulata English bluebell Snake's Head Fritillary

Perennials

Early flowering single hellebores, Native primroses Lungwort (pulmonaria officinalis) Forget-me-not Thrift Winter flowering clematis

Shrubs/trees

Magnolia Winter flowering heather Flowering cherry Pussy Willow Mahonia Viburnum Ivy Bee Kind - Angela Macpherson



Work Work Didlage Control DIGITAL DROP-INS Friday 10.30 – 11.30am



at Newton Ferrers WIC Hall, on The Green

The November 2022 programme of talks, which start at 10.45am, will be as follows:

4th November -11th November -18th November-25th NovemberWhat 3 Words 'Where Am I? Android Tablets & Phones N & N Parish & Facebook WhatsApp



If you have a question on '**how to**' do something on your phone/tablet or laptop then come and see if we can help you. Contact: Peter Hinchliffe, Mary Ayres, Email: NNdigitaldropins@gmail.com

Teaching Kids to Sail



Some of you may have seen and heard excited children sailing little white boats with multi-coloured sails in Newton Creek and wondered who they were.

4 years ago, Yealm Yacht Club took over the assets and responsibilities of the local Community Sailing organization. That is 8 Optimist Dinghies and a commitment to provide low-cost sailing instruction to local primary school children.

Since then, we have been running courses for beginners and improvers during the summer months. This year was our busiest so far with 5 courses of 3 sessions each. Over 40 children participated.

Instruction is provided by paid RYA senior instructors, assisted by appropriately qualified volunteer club members.

You do not have to be a full member of the club to participate. However, the courses provide a good starting point for those who would like to move on to the thriving cadet section of the club. We are pleased that after the courses many families do decide to join.

If you are an experienced dinghy sailor, funding may be available for attending an RYA dinghy instructor course. There would be an expectation that you would join the team of volunteer instructors for at least the next 2 years.

Anyone who might like to train as a dinghy instructor or help run these courses should get in touch with me

Duncan Macpherson. Community Sailing Coordinator for Yealm Yacht Club Tel.RYDA 872645. E Mail.oppies@yealmyachtclub.co.uk

Gig Rowing for Children.

The resources accrued from the sale of the 'Spirit of the Yealm' have for some time now been giving grants to local good causes. Some examples thus far have been:

£1,000 To each of: The River Yealm Regatta, Newton and Noss Village Hall, and the WIC Hall.

£500 To each of Yealm Cricket Club, Brookings Down Wood, Bennett's Wood, Yealm Gig Club, the Tilly Institute, Newton and Noss Defibrillators, Noss Park 'Play Boat' and The Newton and Noss COVID 19 Fund.

We have also provided some other grants. These sums include repaying the seed funding of the book itself by the Revelstoke Trust of £3,000.

We have now granted a further sum of £1,000 to the Yealm Gig Club, specifically to enable them to buy a set of Child sized gig oars. The Gigs remain the only boats not taken out of the water for the winter season; the Regatta boats and crabbers being laid up for the winter.

This grant will enable all children from our community to learn to row all year round. *Robin Hogg*

CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERY Fundraising for the WIC Hall and Newton and Noss Village Hall Delivery available to Newton Ferrers, Noss Mayo, Membland and Netton only. Minimum donation 25p per card Boxes available 28th November – 10th December Boxes outside Parry-Smith's at 10, Revelstoke Road, Noss Mayo and outside Luscombe-Maye, Newton Hill, Newton Ferrers Payment by leaving money with cards in box or by using the QR code on the NNVH website

please mark your payment with your name as reference

The Environment Agency court case against International Paints for polluting the Yealm concluded this week with IP being found guilty of 2 charges. Sentencing has been deferred till January. The link to the EA press release is below. It makes disturbing reading, knowing that the offences were committed in 2015/16 even though the site had closed in 2011.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/international-paint-spills-banned-chemical-intoconservation-area

| | Your Christmas present purchases could support the Newton and Noss Village Hall |
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| | Amazon donates 0.5% of the value of eligible purchases to your chosen charity. |
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| | amazon smile |
| | Use your normal Amazon login details with <u>smile.amazon.co.uk</u> and select Newton and Noss Village Hall or your own charity |
| | A huge thank you to everyone who has already supported the NNVH with their purchases 🙂 |
| Newton & Noss Village Hall 200 | Club Lottery - November 2022 |
| Congratulations to the winners in the 8 th | th of the 12 monthly draws. |
| ⇒ 1 st Prize - £50 - Number 2209 - Chris Bra | idley |
| ⇒ 2 nd Prize - £30 - Number 2126 - Lisa Davie | es |
| ⇒ 3 rd Prize - £20 - Number 2017 - Sharon M | Nay |
| ⇒ 4 th Prize - Bike Service kindly donated by I | Bridgend Bike Services |
| - Number 2192 - Roger Gundle | |
| 4 more draws to take place and for f | £10 you too could be a lucky winner |
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PLANNING

Planning Application Ref: <u>3401/22/HHO</u>

Linden Lea, Church Park (affecting Yealm Road), Newton Ferrers.

This application is for the removal of a section of stone boundary wall on Yealm Road (opposite Holy Cross Church) & the installation of a timber vehicle gate giving access to a new parking area with space for two vehicles and on-site turning. This is a resubmission of an earlier application which was refused following concerns from Devon County Highways. The revised application has additional information on visibility splays and turning space. Given that parking in this section of road often reduces the available width and requires vehicles to travel over the centre of the road and that the new entrance is closer to the bend in the road than the vehicle entrance of the neighbouring property, you may understand the concern.

59 Yealm Road

Replacement of existing dwelling with single dwelling - 1501/20/VAR (Variation to 3117/17/FUL)

Construction work has started on the old "Westerly" site at 59 Yealm Road and a large Mobile Home placed on the site, we assume this is for use to provide site facilities or as temporary accommodation during the build. In either case, we understand that this is permissible.

You may remember that approval was sought but refused for a second house on the site.

Whats On



WI Craft Group 8th November 2-4pm We will be making decoupage Christmas cards £1 per card for materials



The Neighbourhood Plan is due for a review!

Hard to believe it but it will soon be five years since you all took part in preparing our very successful Neighbourhood Plan, which was adopted as law in July 2018.

Used by the Planning Department in South Hams in conjunction with the South Devon Joint Local Plan and National Planning legislation, our Neighbourhood Plan has been instrumental in guiding Planning Policy in the Parish; protecting the Waterfront, our Heritage, encouraging the right sort of Development and discouraging poor planning proposals and overdevelopment.

So, we are holding Consultation events to gather your thoughts

Please come along and let us know what changes you think need to be made

Friday 11th November 2.30 – 6.00pm

WIC Hall, Newton Ferrers

Saturday 12th November 10.00am – 1.00pm

Revelstoke Room, Village Hall, Noss Mayo

Further events will be held next Spring

The Policies covered in the NP address Planning Permission criteria for Housing, Local Business, Infrastructure, Health and Wellbeing, Environment, Heritage and Conservation.

The full Plan can be seen on the Parish Council Website:

https://www.newtonandnoss-pc.gov.uk/the-parishcouncil/neighbourhood-plan/

If you would like to get involved in the review, to help ensure a sustainable future for the whole Parish please contact

Philip Parry Smith, Chris Phillipson, Caroline Adams or Tam Gambie, our Parish Clerk

GENTLE EXERCISE CLASSES

Every Wednesday morning from 10.00 to 11.00am in the Newton and Noss W I Community Hall. With any luck we will have mince pies with our tea/coffee on 21st December!

The weekly classes led by our team of Physiotherapists are continuing as usual until we have a short break for Christmas.

There will NOT be a class on 28th December.

Contact Jane Hansford (872627) or Barry Pratten (872619) for more details



Holbeton Film Club - November's film is **Summerland** (certificate 12A, *brief, moderate threat*). During World War II, reclusive writer Alice has her solitary life upended when Frank, an evacuee from the London Blitz, is left in her care. Despite initially resolving to be rid of him, Alice finds herself and her emotions reawakened by him.

This is showing on **Saturday the 12th November** in Holbeton Village Hall. Doors open 7pm. The programme starts at 7:30pm. Tickets on the door still only £4 (cash only). Ice creams will be on sale for £1.

Our programme for the coming months is:

The Duke, 12A, Friday 9th December

Operation Mincemeat, 12A, Saturday 14th January 2023

Where The Crawdads Sing, 15, Friday 10th February

Downton Abbey: a new era, PG, Saturday 11th March

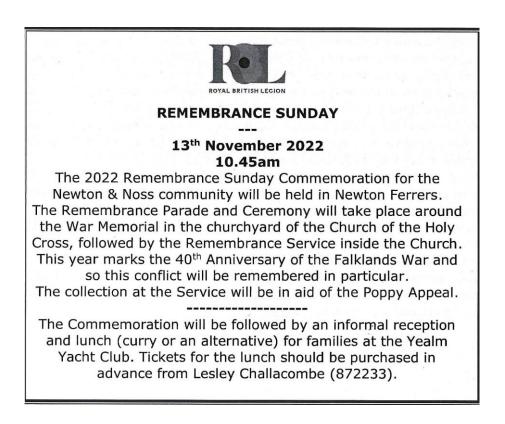
Fisherman's Friends: one and all, 12A, Friday 14th April

Mrs Harris Goes To Paris, PG, Saturday 13th May



SUMMERLAND







Yealm Parchment Craft WI Hall, Newton Ferrers 2-4 pm Next lesson 18th November 2022 Project: Threaded Christmas



Equipment supplied if you don't have it £8 per session

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Whitework is the art of gently embossing parchment until it turns white and becomes proud



RIVER YEALM REGATTA

АТТА AGM FRIDAY 18^{тн} NOVEMBER 6.30pm at the Tilly Institute All welcome Come along and find out more about making our wonderful Regatta happen



Yealm Art Society - Painting workshop

Saturday 19th November Abstract in the Landscape

with Michael Hill Yealmpton Community Centre, PL8 2HF 10.00am – 4.00pm



For full details and to reserve a place - email <u>lin.f@btinternet.con</u> More details on our website www.yealmartsociety.com

Newton & Noss Village Hall

presents a

Kurling Evening

Including supper & dessert

Saturday 19th November at 7.00pm The Village Hall, Noss Mayo Tickets **£12.50** available from

Jean Ellis (873144) and Tubb's Pharmacy A fun target game inspired by the game of curling **U30** Yealm u3a Talk: *Thursday, 24th November* WIC Hall, Newton Ferrers Doors open at 2.00pm for 2.30pm start



'Passports, Assassins, Traitors & Spies' (Passport stories from history) Talk by Martin Lloyd

Martin presents a dramatic account of how the actions of a group of assassins brought about a change in the passport regulations; how the unmasking of a spy caused a modification in passport design and how, for one man, the passport itself turned into a killer.

Not long ago, Martin presented a talk to us about Vladimir Putin, which was very well received and now returns to share his knowledge about the British passport, which, when in December 2017, the Home Office made an announcement that it would change to a new blue cover, media companies, including the BBC, bombarded him with requests for an interview.

> Open meeting for all U3A Members New members welcome. Non-Members £3 donation For membership details see; <u>www.yealmu3a.org.uk</u>

THURSDAY LUNCH CLUB

We look forward to seeing you at our next TLC Lunch

in

Newton & Noss Village Hall Thursday 24th November at 12.15pm New Members always welcome £6.00 for a delicious 2 course meal, followed by tea/coffee *Please contact Jane Barnett to confirm your attendance and/or more information on 872663* <u>mrandmrsbarnett@gmail.com</u>

Newton and Noss Carer Support Group AGM

The AGM for Newton and Noss Carer Support Group, which incorporates the weekly Gentle Exercise Classes, will take place at 7, Archers Court Newton Ferrers by kind invitation of Mr and Mrs B Pratten.

> <u>Date</u> Thursday 1st December 2022. <u>Time</u> 2.00pm Further details, if required, from Jane Hansford (872627)



HOLY CROSS CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 3rd December at 2.00pm in Holy Cross Church

After a successful family fair last year we are looking forward to seeing everyone again!

Offers of help;

or leave in box at back of the church

1st TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB

We look forward to welcoming you to our next lunch which will be held on 1st November at 12 noon in the WIC hall

Please note DECEMBER LUNCH is on 2nd Tuesday of the month i.e. December 13th. As this is our Christmas lunch, with all the trimmings, for a minimum donation of £10, you are asked to book a place. Bookings will be taken at the November lunch, and we request that you inform us of any special dietary requirements please.

If you are unable to attend the November lunch and would like to book for the Christmas lunch then please phone Jeanne 872442 or Jane 872627



An Evening of Christmas Music

With Annabel Kennedy, Royal College of Music and Kathryn Henry, Chicago Lyric Opera

Accompanied by David Green

Monday 19th December

7.00pm

Holy Cross Church, Newton Ferrers

Tickets are £10 (U16 free) to include a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie. Tickets available from Tubb's Pharmacy or Adrienne (872059)



Celebrating 10 Years of Support

November 2022 Contact Maxine 07450 206312

| Tuesday | 1 | Gentle Exercise 10.30 – 11.30 Yealmpton Methodist Hall £5.00 |
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| Wednesday | 2 | Walking Group Wembury 10.30am. Meet in car park at end of Barton Close Wembury |
| Thursday | 3 | Reading Group in person 10.30-12noon Yealmpton Parish Room £2.00. Or by Zoom. Request code to join |
| Friday | 4 | |
| Saturday | 5 | |
| Sunday | 6 | |
| Monday | 7 | Art & Craft Group 10.30am – 12.00pm Yealmpton Comm Centre £3.00 |
| Tuesday | 8 | Gentle Exercise 10.30 – 11.30 Yealmpton Methodist Hall £5.00 |
| Wednesday | 9 | Walking Group Wembury 10.30am. Meet in car park at end of Barton Close Wembury |
| Thursday | 10 | Reading Group in person 10.30-12noon Yealmpton Parish Room £2.00. Or by Zoom. Request code to join |
| Friday | 11 | New Group Coffee & Chat 2-3.30pm Rose and Crown Yealmpton £2.50 |
| Saturday | 12 | |
| Sunday | 13 | |
| Monday | 14 | |
| Tuesday | 15 | Gentle Exercise 10.30 – 11.30 Yealmpton Methodist Hall £5.00 |
| Wednesday | 16 | Walking Group Wembury 10.30am. Meet in car park at end of Barton Close Wembury |
| Thursday | 17 | Reading Group in person 10.30-12noon Yealmpton Parish Room £2.00. Or by Zoom. Request code to join |
| Friday | 18 | Singing Along, community singing with the Brixton Village-Airs 2-3.30pm Yealmpton Methodist Hall £3.00 |
| Saturday | 19 | |
| Sunday | 20 | |
| Monday | 21 | Art & Craft Group 10.30am – 12.00pm Yealmpton Comm Centre £3.00 |
| Tuesday | 22 | Gentle Exercise 10.30 – 11.30 Yealmpton Methodist Hall £5.00 |
| Wednesday | 23 | Walking Group Wembury 10.30am. Meet in car park at end of Barton Close Wembury |
| Thursday | 24 | Reading Group in person 10.30-12noon Yealmpton Parish Room £2.00. Or by Zoom. Request code to join |
| Friday | 25 | Carer Support on Zoom 2.30-3.30 call Maxine for the Zoom link if you would like to attend and aren't already on the list. |
| Saturday | 26 | |
| Sunday | 27 | |
| Monday | 28 | |
| Tuesday | 29 | Gentle Exercise 10.30 – 11.30 Yealmpton Methodist Hall £5.00 |
| Wednesday | 30 | Walking Group Wembury 10.30am. Meet in car park at end of Barton Close Wembury |