

eNewsletter 5th January 2020

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS!

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

[Parish Council meeting](#) 7.30pm Monday 6th January Danby Room
[History Group](#) 8pm Tuesday 7th January Social Club
[Open Door Cafe](#) 2-4pm Thursday 16th January All Saints Church
[Minstead Players "Confusions"](#) 7.30pm Fri 17th & Sat 18th Jan in the Hall
[Transition Launch Training Day](#) 9.30am Sat 18th Jan Study Centre
[Fruit Pruning](#) 10am Sat 1st Feb Study Centre
[Aladdin in Lyndhurst](#) 6pm Sat 1st Feb, 2.30pm Sun 2nd Feb
(also 8th and 9th Feb)

Click on the links above to find out more!

*Information about events in February and later next year can be seen by
visiting <https://minstead.org.uk/news/events/>*

*Please let us know at minsteadpc@gmail.com if you would like us to notify the
village of any event or incident that would be of local interest. We are able to
do this via our [website](#), monthly [e-newsletter](#) and [Facebook](#) page.*

*If you know of anyone near to you who does not get emails and may like to read
this eNewsletter please print a copy and give it to them.*

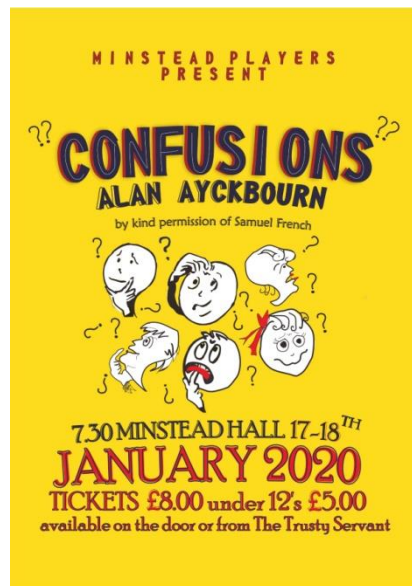
Please note that eNewsletters will be sent out monthly until further notice.

The next edition will be Sunday 2nd February

More urgent communications will be sent out on Facebook.

MINSTEAD PLAYERS 17TH & 18TH JANUARY

Do come along and support Minstead Players' latest production, Alan
Ayckbourn's '*Confusions*'



The cast and supporting team have been working hard to provide you with some much needed January entertainment. *Confusions* is a play consisting of a series of five interconnected one-act plays. It was first staged in 1974 (1976 in London) and the scenes are all loosely linked by characters or locations, but more subtly through the common underlying themes of obsession, isolation and human desire for companionship.

There will, no doubt, be the usual added piquancy of local colour that only Minstead Players can provide!

FATHER CHRISTMAS VISIT TO MINSTEAD 21ST DECEMBER

Many thanks to all the Trusty team, Father Christmas and the Minstead orchestra for making Father Christmas' visit to Minstead such a memorable event yet again. Everyone had a great time, the rain held off (more or less), loads of presents were handed out and a grand £114 was raised for the Children's Society.



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION 2019

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Royal British Legion collection in Minstead, Emery Down and Stoney Cross this year. We collected a total of £593.23p this year. This is down on last year because I did not have enough people to realistically do house to house collections, if anyone who has not helped before would like to volunteer next year we may be able to recommence doing house to house collections. - Helen Bennett

BEAT REPORT

Click [HERE](#) to read the Beat Report for December 2019. As ever it is full of interesting and useful information.

Please note that our PCSO, Richard Williams, hopes to be at the Open Door Cafe from 2pm on Thursday 16th January in All Saints Church.

Many thanks to our police for all their help and support over the last year.

Don't forget you can keep in touch by following [New Forest Heart Cops](#) on Facebook!

STRANGE GOINGS ON

Recently there have been unusual nighttime visitors to the Village Hall car park and to the large, but subdivided, field to its west - i.e. towards Furzey Gardens. Cars, people & lights have been seen, but thus far no obvious damage or missing items.

The Country Watch branch of our Hampshire Police force are Very Interested in what this might be about, and are keen that if anyone sees or hears this happening a call should be made immediately to 999 quoting that Country Watch

asked for the call.

For reporting purposes the postcode of the Hall is SO43 7FX.

EVEN MORE STRANGE GOINGS ON

Sometime between Boxing Day and New Year's Eve our village Christmas Tree was assaulted by a wannabe tree climber who managed to inflict some damage to the upper branches and totally destroy the lights depriving everyone from enjoying the tree for the rest of the festive period.

Any donation towards the cost of replacement lights would be welcome - anonymous is OK!

CHRISTMAS TREES

NFDC are providing Christmas Tree recycling points until 12th Jan, the nearest is in the main car park in Lyndhurst.

See <http://www.nfdc.gov.uk/christmasrefuse>

RECYCLING UNWANTED COMPUTER STUFF

Jo Hadfield is hoping to organise a pick-up from Jamie's Computers in January: they are a charity operating in Southampton (see <https://jamies.org.uk> if you can get it to work!) and guarantee to clear all data. So if you have any old computers, tablets, phones etc please let Jo know on jfhmin@yahoo.co.uk

MINSTEAD OIL

The order dates for 2020 are (all Wednesdays by 9am):

January 8th, February 12th, March 18th,

May 13th, July 15th,

September 16th, October 14th, November 11th and December 2nd.

Many thanks to Mike Hutton for keeping all your tanks topped up!

PARKING CLOCKS

Don't forget to renew your parking clock for 2020 - easily done online by visiting

<http://www.nfdc.gov.uk/parkingclocks>

No increase this year - still £25 for a short stay clock.

HWRC CAR REGISTRATION

If you wish to use a Hampshire Household Recycling Centre (HWRC) then from this year you need to register your car.

This is very easy to do on line by visiting
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/vehicle-registration-hwrc>

POLITICAL MAP OF NEW FOREST SET TO CHANGE

The independent Local Government Boundary Commission for England is asking local people for their help to draw up a new pattern of council wards for New Forest District Council.

Visit <http://www.nfdc.gov.uk/article/19282/Boundary-Review-Consultation-December-2019---March-2020>

Local people have until 2 March 2020 to submit their views in this consultation.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Click [HERE](#) to read the Parish and Benefice Notices for 5th February and subsequent Sundays in the month.

CITIZENS ADVICE NEW FOREST HELPS PEOPLE TO SLASH THE COST OF ENERGY BILLS

Citizens Advice New Forest is helping take the sting out of people's fuel bills this winter.

Citizens Advice New Forest is a local charity that provides free, confidential and impartial advice to help clients address the challenges they face and the options available. They are currently offering one-to-one advice appointments to help people get the best deal from their energy suppliers.

Struggling to pay your bills? An advice appointment can help you to understand what help you can get, including help checking your eligibility for Warm Home Discounts.

Get a better energy deal and save money. Book an appointment with Citizens Advice by ringing our New Forest Adviceline 0300 3309 009 or drop into one of their offices in the New Forest- Lymington, Fordingbridge, Hythe, New Milton, Ringwood, Totton (please see website www.newforestcab.org.uk for opening times).

MINSTEAD PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following Planning Applications for Minstead are out for consultation:

No: 19/00932
Address: The Cottage, Toms Lane Corner, Stoney Cross Plain Road, Newtown, Minstead, Lyndhurst, SO43 7GF

Proposal: First floor extensions; conversion of attached stables to facilitate additional accommodation; new pitched roof to existing attached garage; alterations to fenestration; raised patio; removal of existing porch

Comment by: Thu 16th Jan

No: 19/00911

Address: Peters Hold, Newtown Road, Minstead, Lyndhurst, SO43 7GJ

Proposal: Replacement dwelling; detached garage/carport; associated works and landscaping (demolition of existing dwelling and annex)

Comment by: Tue 7th Jan

No: 19/00909

Address: Hollyhock Cottage, The Grove, Minstead, Lyndhurst, SO43 7GG

Proposal: Continued use of land as residential

Comment by: Fri 10th Jan

No: 19/00890

Address: Hunters Brook, Lyndhurst Road, Minstead, SO43 7FX

Proposal: Outbuilding

Comment by: Thu 9th Jan

Visit the [NPA website](#) for further planning information.
