

Minstead eNewsletter 9th November 2020

COMING UP THIS MONTH

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November Armistice Day

8pm Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December Flower Show Society AGM (to be held on Zoom)

For the latest visit <https://minstead.org.uk/>

and



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

At November's Parish Council meeting Jack Smith was co-opted onto the Parish Council to replace Cllr Steve Cattell

THE MINSTEAD RESILIENCE PLAN

We are in the process of reactivating the Resilience Plan to provide help and support to Minstead parishioners. More details will follow but in the meantime if you need assistance please contact Helen Bennett on 07804046122 or [helenbennettpc@yahoo.com](mailto:helenbennettpc@yahoo.com)

COMMUNITY SHOP CHRISTMAS FARE



Despite the pandemic Christmas will still be coming and Minstead Community Shop will be doing its best to bring some Christmas cheer to the village.

We will be expanding our food range with lots of delicious Christmas themed items from New Forest producers:

Mince pies, Christmas cake slices and shortcake, biscotti in cranberry and walnut flavour as well as stem ginger and dark chocolate.

Christmas preserves and chutneys; Beetroot, Port & Orange Pickle, Blackcurrant, Rhubarb & Cassis Jam and Boozy Christmas Marmalade,

A wide range of cheeses from Lyburn, Isle of Wight Blue and Rosary Goats Cheese and we will be taking orders for whole 1kg Lyburn Stoney Cross cheeses

For those with a sweet tooth Fordingbridge Fudge are supplying Amoretti and Christmas pudding flavoured fudge

We will also have a collection of locally made beautiful Christmas gifts and stocking fillers including:

Soft toys made with wool from the Hollyhock flock

Toiletries and candles from New Forest Aromatics

Hand turned wooden fruit and bowls from Minstead Trust

Beautiful handmade woven willow baskets

Christmas decorations made by Minstead Makers

festive Father Christmas and Reindeer from village Craftsmen!

and also a range of cards by Karen Frampton, New Forest Images and the Minstead Trust.

Keep an eye on [Facebook](#) for further updates.

Lyndhurst shops and businesses have set up an online Xmas event. Great way to get all the Xmas shopping done locally during lockdown. <https://lyndhurstcommunityhub.co.uk/>

### DITCHES

Every resident is reminded that everyone with ditches is responsible for making sure they are clear. This applies if they are adjacent to but outside your boundary. We suggest that now is a good time of year to do this as hedges are being cut and the

weather has not yet overwhelmed us!

In sum, please encourage everyone to respect the [New Forest Code](#), not to feed the animals and keep their distance from all forest stock.

#### ALL SAINTS CHURCH

For the latest from the Reverend David click [HERE](#).

#### PHOTOS OF DUNBRIDGE COTTAGE

Some kind person has left a large framed Francis Frith photo and 2 smaller ones of Dunbridge Cottage in the background plus a History of Minstead by Peter Roberts outside the front door on Monday. The owners would like to thank them and ensure they are the intended recipient as there was no note left with the delivery. Please contact Tim on [07928 888892](tel:07928888892) or email [tim\\_nicholson@btinternet.com](mailto:tim_nicholson@btinternet.com)

#### MINSTEAD PLAYERS

*Did you know...?*

*In 1945, 84 dances were held in the village hall. That's at least 3 dances every fortnight! What's more, one lady living at Castle Malwood was tasked with ensuring that all of the girls working there made it back to their own beds rather than the bed of an American GI!*

*The history of our hall represents a tapestry of fascinating stories that have been at the heart of the village for the last 100 years. To celebrate the centenary of our village hall, the Minstead Players are producing a 4-part docudrama which will be released online. We were aiming for December although the new lockdown makes that more challenging...but it will be worth the wait!*

*While production gets underway, the Players would love to receive any material relating to the hall that may be included in the docudrama. If you have any photos, video clips, interesting stories or memorabilia then please email Paul*

[pastor@lyndhurstbaptistchurch.org.uk](mailto:pastor@lyndhurstbaptistchurch.org.uk) and Andy ([andyjamessimpson@gmail.com](mailto:andyjamessimpson@gmail.com)).

### NFDC WASTE DISPOSAL CONSULTATION

NFDC are about to publish a consultation on a draft waste strategy which you may be interested to read when it comes out towards the end of this week.

Click [HERE](#) to find out more.

### Nominate the best building designs in the New Forest

The New Forest National Park Authority is calling for nominations for its prestigious Building Design Awards 2021.

Click [HERE](#) to find out more.