



NOTICEBOARD – May 2020

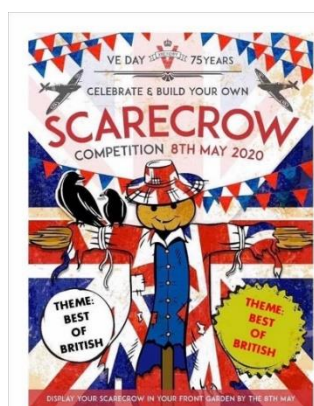
CORONAVIRUS LATEST UPDATE AND COMMUNITY EFFORT

Please refer to the Northlew Parish Council website homepage for information on the latest position – there is a useful [links](#) page which will direct you to specific sites being updated regularly. The Northlew community continues to make a superb effort in coming together at this difficult time, including a support group specifically set up during this period which comprises a list of volunteers and parishioners who may like their assistance. This is being co-ordinated by Nicola Povey at nicolapovey@gmail.com Tel: 01409 221591 or mobile 0770 6094511. There is also a WhatsApp Support Group to which you can subscribe. Please refer to the website and Northlew & Ashbury Life Facebook page for up-to date information.

NHS Clap – please continue to join the nation in saying thanks to all our keyworkers every Thursday at 8pm.

Note of Thanks has been received from parishioner Maureen Voaden as follows:- ‘What a lovely surprise! Tracey, a big thank you for getting all our neighbours outside in Station Road to sing happy birthday to Betty and me. I’ve known Betty since I was a little girl and we’ve always been neighbours. Thank you again for the yummy cakes – much appreciated. Maureen’.

Ruby Photographic Competition – this is the fourth year of the competition which is usually run during Hatherleigh Festival but due to the current situation makes it impossible. Organisers would still like to achieve the aim of creating a calendar for next year. This year’s subject is ‘Photos taken during lockdown and social distancing’. Selected winners will as usual be used to create a calendar for next year. Please enter by email to charlesdumpleton@yahoo.co.uk or by post to Hatherleigh Visitor Information Centre, 15 Market Street, Hatherleigh EX20 3JN. Deadline 10th August.



Scarecrow Competition - a call to all households to get your creative thinking caps on and let your imagination run wild and brighten up everyone’s exercise walks with displays on the weekend beginning Friday 8th May 2020. Scarecrows don’t have to be at ground level and should be seen from the road, or a footpath. If you aren’t in the main part of the village, we would love you to take part - just add a message so that folks can plan their walks to see your masterpieces. One entry per

household, no entry fee. There may even be prizes! It’s been a long time since we have had a Scarecrow Festival in the village, so let’s make the 2020 one the best ever and something to remember!

HIGHWAYS

Roadworks/Closures - A3079 Fowley Cross to Halwill Junction and Cookworthy Farm works are continuing until 19th May. More information on this and other planned works can be found [here](#).

LOCAL PARISH AND TOWN COUNCIL NOTIFICATIONS

Devon Air Ambulance have taken the very difficult decision to temporarily stand down their aircraft and operate solely using their two Critical Care Cars – see [link](#) which means the playing fields will be free from any night landings for the time being.

Devon County Council's call for High Impact Volunteers – DCC are looking for people with recent experience as a health or social care worker, both qualified and unqualified to support to the most vulnerable in our communities. For more information see [link](#) and contact volunteering@westdevonccvs.org.uk.

Northlew News - the monthly edition of the [Northlew News](#) will be suspended until the coronavirus lockdown restrictions have been lifted. In the meantime, this noticeboard and the website will continue to be updated and if you have anything to add please contact the Clerk. Anyone interested in becoming the new editor, please also contact the Clerk.

Okehampton Library - following the temporary closure of Okehampton Library and all Devon Libraries, the staff would like to let you know that although the buildings may be closed, the Library Service is very much open. Click [here](#) for further information.

Parish Council Meetings – following the virtual meeting held on 29th April, this format will continue until further notice. Please consult the website for information on future meeting dates which may vary from those advertised. All parishioners are invited to these meetings and the Zoom invite details are included on the Agenda. There will be no Annual General Meeting in May due to the Coronavirus.

Councillor Changes – a notice has been posted on the website and has been distributed around the village noticeboards advertising the new Councillor position. You have until 7th May to request an election, after which time the vacancy will be filled by co-option.

The Square Shop in Northlew continues to remain open and support the community during the coronavirus epidemic. The opening hours are 10.00 am till 1.00 pm weekdays and 10.00am till noon weekends. Deliveries will be available to assist the elderly and residents with impaired mobility and there is a click and collect service. Contact: Steve Lofthouse/Tim Williams Email: squashopnorthlew@outlook.com or Mobile Number: 07533 017938. **J&R Foodservice Ltd** in Exeter (www.jrfoodservice.com) are offering to help deliver foods and non food products during the current situation. Please telephone 01392 445510 to speak to one of their team to see how they can help you.

The Playground, Public Lavatories and Green Dragon Pub- these remain closed for the foreseeable future.

RECYCLING

Recycling centres continue to be closed for the foreseeable future. <https://www.devonnewscentre.info/devons-recycling-centres-closed-until-further-notice/>.

If you have any community related news for inclusion on the Noticeboard, please contact clerk@northlewparishcouncil.org.uk.