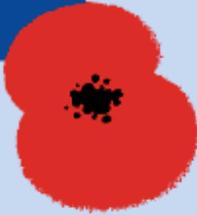




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Remembrance Day 2019

Remembrance Day, also known as Armistice Day or Poppy Day, is meant to honour the end of World War One, which occurred at 11am on the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918. However, Remembrance Day has long been a time to pay respect to the fallen from all wars. Traditions used to observe Remembrance Day include the wearing of poppies and a two-minute silence at 11am on the eleventh day of the eleventh month.

The poppy grew into a symbol of the fallen thanks to the poetry of a Canadian military physician, Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae. He wrote In Flanders Fields, which includes the following:

'In Flanders fields the poppies grow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.
Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.'

According to the British Legion official site, "Bright red Flanders poppies (Papaver rhoeas) were delicate but resilient flowers and grew in their thousands, flourishing even in the middle of chaos and destruction".

A thank you for the service on Sunday 10th November needs to go to: the volunteer marshals who kept us safe by closing the roads, first aiders, Churches Together for leading the service and of course the Royal British Legion-Ferndown Branch and the Parish Clerk for their co-ordination of the event. The uniting of West Moors community every year during the Remembrance Parade makes the Parish Council very proud.



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WEST MOORS, FERNDOWN & HORTON HEATH



Skate West Moors 2021

Thank you to everyone that braved the weather on Friday 27th September to join the parish council at West Moors Skate Park where pizza was enjoyed by all and the children had fun on the ramps whilst listening to Pop-Punk And Rock Songs played by our local resident Mr Nick Mills. A big thank you to Nick as he set up in the blustering wind and rain. Also to Mr Russell Kerr, our local voluntary First Responder, for providing first aid cover.

West Moors Parish Council skate park is under consultation for re-development. A thank you to Big Lottery Fund for the grant awarded in January this year, for the 'Fryer Field Youth Consultation'. This project has been undertaken by Dorset Community Action, on behalf of the parish council. At the heart of the party was a local skate park design and installation company, Maverick Industries, who offered their expertise and ideas on the future of the skate park. West Moors skate park has and still does play host to the local community of skaters and scooter riders. East Dorset PC Steve and PCSO James were delighted to see such positive engagement between the families and the possible plans for the park. Team Rubicon kindly tried to keep it safe for the children and handed out mini finger skate boards.

The range of raffle prizes for the younger and older skaters were thanks to '608 Skateshop', Wimborne and 'The Skate Shop', Poole.

The parish councillors and staff that gave their time, received many thanks for; the food and drink, free wristbands and extra mini ramps that were made by some of the local skaters.

It is hoped that the event has inspired many of you to get involved as we hope to boast a new skate park by 2021. Let's get fundraising!

The parish council are working with West Moors Youth Club to help raise funds. You can help by shopping with **Amazon Smile**, use the link to help raise money every time you shop with Amazon.

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk>



Above: Kev Mills, Dead Fast Jae, Lee Cooper, Louis Pulford, Steve Castle, Richard James (Steel)
The above gentlemen helped in the opening of West Moors skate park and are still regular users.



Jean Ware Legacy Award 2019 – DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER!

Due to the success of this award since 2012, the parish council are continuing to offer £1,000 to help towards training, travel or equipment costs in the subject they are excelling in.

The winning applicant must be a resident of West Moors and be aged between 11 and 17yrs and has demonstrated a particular talent in sporting or physical activities or The Arts (such as music, drama, painting or literature).

Apply now by downloading the form on www.westmoors-pc.gov.uk

The closing date is 29th November 2019.

If you are the applicant or you know of anyone who fits in the above category please do not hesitate to apply.

Apprentice Vocational Training Scheme 2019- STILL AVAILABLE!

In addition to the Jean Ware Legacy Award, the parish council offer the Apprentice Vocational Award, now in it's fourth year. It is a scheme that helps young people (aged between 16 and 20 years) reach their full potential. When entering apprenticeships or vocational training schemes, costs can be incurred. The parish council are awarding a grant up to £250 to assist with purchases of related tools and equipment.

Since 2016 the parish council have helped 5 young individuals all embarking on a new career.

The opportunity to receive this grant is still available. Submission of forms can be made anytime but applications will be considered 3 times a year in January, July and September.

If this is of interest to you or anyone you know please contact the parish office on 01202 861044, email office@westmoors-pc.gov.uk or alternatively visit us at 4 Park Way, West Moors, Dorset, BH22 0HL or download an application form and rules for the scheme from <http://www.westmoors-pc.gov.uk>

West Moors Memorial Hall

For many years, West Moors Parish Council have granted the Memorial Hall with £500 for the upkeep of their car park, which widely serves the community and is an asset to the village. In addition to this annual financial support the parish council presented the Hall with £1,000 earlier in 2019 to help fund the cost of new chairs throughout.

In September this year, a further £400 was awarded towards the car park maintenance.

The hall committee volunteer their time to ensure this venue, a lifeline for local clubs, associations and other diverse groups, stays safe and open.

The Memorial Hall have also served as a facilitator in parish council events by opening up their venue, car park and amenities willingly. Such a partnership is invaluable.

East Dorset Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB)

In previous years, West Moors Parish Council have awarded East Dorset CAB with grants to assist with the continuation of services by the CAB for West Moors residents. This September they received £450, an increase from the £300 in 2018. EDCAB provide free, confidential and independent information about almost any problem. We thank them for their continuous support.

Oakhurst Community Hub – R.I.S.E.

Originating from the initial REACT (Reaching and Educating Adults & Children Together) project, which started around 2011 within Oakhurst Community First School, the independent charity, 'Oakhurst Community Hub,' the R.I.S.E. project is being set up to 'Reduce Isolation and Social Exclusion'. Support from East Dorset District Council and Dorset Community Action helped to set the charity's objectives, appoint a board of Trustees and apply to the Charity Commission to register Oakhurst Community Hub as a CIO (Charitable Incorporated Organisation). This was accepted and the CIO registered with the Charity Commission in October 2016.

Two key projects emerged - support for those children suffering with anxiety / mental health issues and reducing social isolation and engagement within the community.

The funding of £500 will help meet the costs of the RISE project which include rent of the scout hut and facilitator costs to run the weekly activities, as well as provision of refreshments.



Chairman
Cllr Mike
Hawkes
and
Mrs Jane
Habgood
(Facilitator for
the 'Oakhurst
Community
Hub' charity)

School readers volunteers required



Schoolreaders:

- Improving literacy
- Increasing Life chances.

One-to-one reading practice to children in their primary schools.

To become a volunteer you will need a good command of english and some spare time each week of the school year (minimum of one year commitment).

Schoolreaders will match you to an appropriate local school.

JOIN IF YOU CAN – You can make a difference to a child’s life.

To find out more and to register, please visit www.schoolreaders.org

Tel: 01234 924111

Registered charity: 1159157 P0006

New Memorial on Petwyn



Gay Alexander, a local resident of West Moors recently funded the new Memorial on the Petwyn.

This Memorial is to dedicate thanks and ongoing gratitude to those that served, (Police, Fire and Medical services, Armed Forces and more) to ensure the well being of our Community.

The parish council held a small gathering on the Petwyn on Friday 8th November with a brief opening ceremony.

Photo left to right: Cllr Rob Smith, Clerk Judi Weedon, Chris Emery (Phoenix Marble & Granite) and Gay Alexander.

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