

# THE NARTH AND DISTRICT NEWSLETTER: February 2019

## WHAT WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS WE HAVE

First of all, very many thanks to all those involved in organising the Christmas events that created a wonderful festive atmosphere in the village. Special thanks to:

- the Management Team and volunteers of the Glade Tavern,
- Wye Valley Women - and particularly Santa,
- all who sorted/ delivered Christmas cards,

We are lucky to have a village in which so many people participate in so many ways, but, as this is the start of the year, I would like to thank all the Village Hall Committee members for their hard work - which often goes unseen. Like everyone who helps the Hall, we are all volunteers, donating our free time to the benefit of residents. Between us we:

- ensure the Hall finances are accurate
- ensure we comply with Charity Commission legislation
- ensure we comply with Licensing laws
- ensure compliance with all laws relating to community buildings
- manage bookings for the Hall, including diary management and problem solving
- oversee the heating of the hall
- manage health and safety/risk assessments
- organise lost property
- tidy the Hall garden & surroundings
- do small maintenance jobs around the Hall
- order items needed to keep the Hall running
- have a presence on the Glade Tavern Management Team
- order & control bar stocks
- suggest/plan and oversee major projects
- apply for grants/financial aid for major work
- run the newsletter
- keep accurate records of Committee meetings
- organise Nights Out
- manage distribution of newsletters
- manage delivery of Christmas cards
- provide publicity for Hall events
- manage the website & send out emails
- assist with various events in the Hall
- attend the Joint Halls Committee
- deal with all correspondence
- run the Film Nights and liaise with Pelham Hall
- run the 100 Club & other fundraising

Plus, of course, dealing with any other business that appears!

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### GLADE TAVERN, Friday March 1st from 7pm.

The welcoming Glade Tavern volunteers will be providing the monthly village bar, with a selection of curries from Brendon Pardington. Proceeds from food to Lisa Dorel's Marie Curie fundraising. **Sat March 16th, Super Saturday showings** from midday. Basic bar (ale, cans and wine) plus food (type to be confirmed) mid-afternoon. From 12.30: Italy v France; Wales v Ireland and England v Scotland. A must for rugby fans!

### FILMS ON THE NARTH

Friday 22nd Feb: **Christopher Robin**

Friday 22nd March: **Widows**

Doors open at 7pm; films start 7.30. Licensed bar available. No booking needed. Entry £5. Further details & films screened at Penallt are on the Hall Website. (Details on next page.)



**Sunday 14th April at 3 pm..** Entertainment by members of the Chepstow Singing Club and a ritzy raffle as well. Entry price includes a full afternoon tea and you can buy a glass (or two) of bubbly at the bar. Tickets: Adults £7, children of school age £4, via Rosemary Thomas on 860141 All proceeds will be split between the Village Hall and iNEED.

### CARMINA, Saturday, May 11th at 7.30

This highly recommended Celtic, jazz and folk band will be appearing as part of our Night Out Programme. Licensed bar. Tickets £8.50. Booking essential. Contact Stephen Dix on [stephen.dix@live.co.uk](mailto:stephen.dix@live.co.uk) or phone 860664.

### GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE

**Saturday, May 25th from 10-12** at the Hall.

A great chance to buy quality plants and shrubs at bargain prices, as well as unusual plants often

not found elsewhere. More details of talks and visits for the year are on the Hall website.

## WYE VALLEY WOMEN

### Lunch and Crafts, Thurs, March 14th, 12-2 pm.

Join WYW for soup, bread & butter, tea/coffee and cakes for £3. You may wish to stay on for the regular Coffee and Crafts Afternoon from 2-4 pm. £1 members; £3 non-members. Bring along any craft (or nothing) for a sociable afternoon.

### Walk-and-Talk, 9.30 am, 5th March

Meet outside the Hall on the first Tuesday of each month for about 3 miles of gentle walking and conversation. The March walk will be on Beacon Hill. If you wish to avoid the first uphill section, meet at 9.40 at the car park opposite the lane to Maryland. All are welcome, including well-behaved dogs on leads. For more information, contact Jane on 861974.

## JOIN THE OIL BUYING GROUP THIS YEAR

A subscription of only £8 a year can save you on average over £15 on 500 litres of oil. The fee raises funds for the Village Hall. Complete the form on the Hall website or telephone 861836.

## WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS

If you have new neighbours, please let Rosemary Thomas or Jane Brackstone know, so they can deliver a welcome pack. Contact Jane via email: janebrackstone123@btinternet.com or phone 860422 or phone Rosemary on 860141.

## BOOKING THE VILLAGE HALL

Residents' private parties - £10/hour or £75 for a 24 hour period. Local groups - £7.50/hour. Other groups on application. Contact Sue on 860373 or Marilyn on 860031 or use our online booking enquiry form on the website. Full booking conditions are on the Village Hall website: [www.thenarthhall.org.uk](http://www.thenarthhall.org.uk)

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## VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Clark Atkinson	wenandclark@gmail.com
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Ruth Williams	860351

The Committee can also be contacted via the *Contact Us* form on [www.thenarthhall.org.uk](http://www.thenarthhall.org.uk)

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## VILLAGE ACTIVITIES & GROUPS

**Discount Oil Buying Group:** save money on fuel. Contact Larry Stoter on answerphone 861836

**Films on The Narth and Penallt:** usually every second and fourth Friday at 7.30 pm. Contact Marilyn (The Narth) on 860031 or David May (Penallt) via email david@themays.org.uk

**Footpaths Project:** monthly maintenance group, as well as special work parties, to maintain and enhance local footpaths. Contact Brian Mahony on 860199

**Gardening Club:** usually last Tuesday of the month, plus visits away. Contact Wendy Hill on 860121

**The Glade Tavern:** Your local pop-up pub; 7 pm on the first Friday of the month. Contact nikkigodfrey@mayphil.com

**Ladies Keep Fit:** Mondays at 10 am. Contact Lucia Ashton on 07735 221928

**Local Links Club:** for over 50s; 1.30-3.30 pm on Wednesdays. Contact: Age Cymru 01291 673300

**The Narth Singers:** 7.30 pm on Wednesdays. Contact Alan and Jean Francis on 01600 716189 or dousland@googlemail.com

**Table Tennis:** 5.30 pm on Tuesdays. Contact Steve Widdicks on 869142

**Tai Chi:** classes every fortnight on Sundays at 10.30 am and practice sessions on Mondays at 7.15 in the week between. Contact Simon 07813 104468 or email: simonjones01@hotmail.com

**Whist Drive:** every 3rd Friday at 7.30 pm. Contact Kay Bowen on 860594

**Wild Tots** - Nature-based activities for children. Check dates via Facebook "Wild Tots in Manor Woods".

**Wye Valley Women:** 7.30 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month (except June, July & December). Contact Jane Gilliard on 861974 or email: wyevalleywomen1@gmail.com

**Yoga:** 10 am on Wednesdays. Contact Emily via yoga.emily@googlemail.com

**Zumba:** 7 pm on Thursdays. Contact Nikki Reed on 07742 994540 or email: nikkireed.zumba@btinternet.com

**ENDNOTES:** The RNIB thank all who donated stamps to their national appeal, raising £14,000. Jane Gilliard will continue to collect and forward stamps throughout the year. Contact her on 861974 or deliver to her door.

**June 15th: Ceilidh** with Cannon Fodder; great music and dancing. Put in your diary now.