

East Boldre *and beyond* e-newsletter

15 October 2020

Hello Everyone

This newsletter contains news from East Boldre Parish Council, news about the East Boldre Oral History Project, details of the next Music at Beaulieu concert and some Neighbourhood Watch notices. Please don't forget to send in your notices and advertise your events in this free newsletter. And please tell your friends about it or forward a copy to them. They can request a copy on the village website using the link above.

East Boldre Parish Council News

1. New village signs
With joint funding from NFNPA the parish council has commissioned two beautiful new cast signs for the village which will be installed in the next few weeks replacing the East End/East Boldre signs at the far end of the village. The original cast village sign on Main Road was damaged earlier this year and has now received some TLC. This will be reinstalled with the other village signs.
2. Some time ago, the parish council adopted and renovated the BT kiosk opposite SFT Hall, along with the glass kiosk at East End. Two defibrillators have now been ordered and will be installed in the kiosks in mid-November. Cllr Mans kindly contributed a grant from his devolved budget to help purchase them.
3. The parish council has received notification from Ian Gillespie of English Rural Housing that the trustees of the late Michael Stansfield's estate have withdrawn the offer to sell English Rural the land South of Sherfield Cottage. Further work in the pursuit of affordable housing in East Boldre has been suspended.
4. Cllr Holmes and Cllr Clark attended a meeting with NFNPA and FE at Hatchet Pond on 16/9/20
 - Proposals were outlined to remove the toilet block and relocate the parking away from the waterside.
 - Signage and interpretation will be improved.
 - NFNPA and FE hope that these measures will emphasize the importance of the site as a nature reserve and wildlife habitat rather than a leisure venue where visitors tend to stay for prolonged periods of time.
 - FE had hoped to run a public consultation on the proposed work but increased Covid measures have made this impossible. It is felt that at the current time it would be irresponsible to organise a community event in person.
 - FE remain committed to community engagement and therefore they will be creating a new webpage on the Forestry England website to host all the information.
 - There will also be an email account for enquiries specifically about Hatchet Pond and this will be advertised through press releases and social media over the next few weeks. The parish council will share this information once it is available.
 - FE ranger team are up to speed on the plans so can talk with people whilst out on their patrols around the area.

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East Boldre Oral History Project

LOTS TO TALK ABOUT

East Boldre Oral History (EBOH) has gathered and collated memories and social history from residents of the parish of East Boldre, who were born and brought up in the village. This exciting project explores how the village has changed, from its origin as a squatter's settlement to the present day.

EBOH has recorded and transcribed memories from residents and now the stories can be heard through listening stations which have been installed in the village. The Turfcutters Arms houses a listening station where the public can hear stories about East Boldre Characters and childhood memories (this is accessible during pub opening hours). Three further listening stations are installed in East Boldre Village Hall and School Fields Trust Hall (these are accessible by appointment). Oral history interpretation is also sited in the adopted BT kiosk at Hatchet Pond - this includes a QR codes which link to a sound cloud where audio recordings are available: <https://soundcloud.com/user-510714237>

Project aims:

- Record memories and tales of an East Boldre as it was.
- Install a sense of community and pride – giving a voice to the families who have lived in the village for generations and who are aware of the fast-changing community.
- Capture memories before they are lost.
- Help people who live in or visit East Boldre recognise its history and character.
- Encourage people to share time together to talk about heritage.
- Celebrate gypsy traveller and commoning heritage.
- Work with local schools to help children understand the village history. We have run workshops at South Baddesley, William Gilpin and will also work with Beaulieu School; taking contributors to the schools to discuss their memories.

This project has support and funding from: New Forest National Park Authority, East Boldre Parish Council, Hampshire County Council, Beaufort Trust, East Boldre Village Hall Trust, East Boldre School Fields Trust, NF Heritage Centre and New Forest District Council.

Sadly Covid 19 has temporarily scuppered our plans for a big official opening of the listening stations but we do plan to celebrate when restrictions are lifted. This has been a hugely successful project which celebrates heritage and pride in belonging to an amazing community!

The following photos show the listening stations at East Boldre Village Hall.



Contributors Cliff and Wendy Harvey listening to stories for the first time



Cllr Bev Hawker viewing photos of contributors – then and now



Cllr Bev Hawker using the listening station



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Music at Beaulieu Trust
Registered Charity 1080651
Website: www.musicatbeaulieu.org
Box Office: 07770 859900
www.ticketsource.co.uk/musicatbeaulieu

Music at Beaulieu

Nova Foresta Classical Players

Conductor - Paul Ingram

Elgar - Serenade for Strings
Handel - Harp Concerto with harp soloist, **Rosie Gill**
Barber - Adagio for Strings
Holst - St Paul's Suite

BEAULIEU
ABBEY CHURCH
Saturday
24th October
7pm
Doors open at
6.40pm
Tickets £20
obtainable only on
line through
ticketsource or the
Music at Beaulieu
website.

No tickets on the
door.



Usual COVID 19 restrictions will apply:
Hand sanitiser, Masks, Social distancing.
Air flow in the building is important so warm
clothing needed.

There are no seat cushions on the pews
Tickets are very limited, so buy early to avoid
disappointment

This concert is sponsored by SenSpa at Careys Manor

There will be very limited tickets (max capacity 50) and no tickets will be sold on the door. Tickets are currently sold out. To check for ticket returns, call the box office on **01590 611404**.

Neighbourhood Watch

The September Police Beat Report for the New Forest Heart area:

Beat Surgeries: The “rule of six”, which has stopped any social gatherings of more than six people, means that we are still unable to resume any of our face to face Beat surgeries. But we will be using our Facebook page, NEW FOREST HEART COPS, to hold an online event so that you can ask us any questions you might have. That will take place between 6pm and 7pm on Wednesday 21st October 2020. But again, our contact details are listed below so please feel to contact any of us directly if you any queries or concerns.

Burglaries: Two houses in Brockenhurst were burgled on the same day at the beginning of the month. Luckily one of the intruders was disturbed and ran off before taking anything from the house. Investigations into both break ins are ongoing so if you have any information that might help us identify those responsible then please call 101 and quote the crime number 44200342330. Another house, this time an empty property in Copythorne was also targeted this month but the thieves did not manage to get inside. Six outbuildings have been broken into in September, three of them in Beaulieu on the same night. The other sheds and garages were in Winsor and Brockenhurst and power and garden tools were taken. Also this month, a group of people were disturbed trying to break into the garages at the Balmer Lawn Hotel in Brockenhurst.

Other thefts this month include a concrete mixer from outside a house in Bartley, a flat packed shed from a field at Longdown and a trailer has been taken from outside a house in Cadnam.

Only one bicycle was stolen in September even though it was locked to the back of a car parked at the Balmer Lawn Hotel in Brockenhurst.

Vehicle Crime: There have been twelve thefts from vehicles parked in the Forest this month. These include one that was in a pub car park in Winsor, another outside the schools in Ashurst and two in Fritham car park. Attempts were made to break into three vans parked overnight in a pub car park in Lyndhurst while tools were taken from a van also parked in the village. And on a different night but also in Lyndhurst a catalytic converter was stolen from a car parked in a residential area of the village. Two cars in Brook were also damaged during attempted thefts.

Speed Watch: You may have seen the Copythorne Speed Watch team back in action in the Copythorne and Cadnam areas. On 17 August, the team went out on their first survey since the lockdown began and they have completed four surveys in August and eight in September. In August they monitored 1,493 vehicles and 178 drivers were found to be exceeding the speed limit, and in September 2,365 vehicles went through their survey point and 311 drivers were speeding. All of them will be receiving letters from the Police warning them about their driving. The most staggering statistic is that in September, 13 drivers were caught doing over 50 mph in a 30 mph limit.

When the rule of six is eased we will be looking to set up new Speed Watch teams in Netley Marsh and Ashurst so if you would like to get involved in those areas or where you live just let us know.

Don't forget you can contact any of us on the New Forest Heart Police team on the details below but please use 999, 101 or the on line reporting page on the Hampshire Police website to record crimes or incidents of anti-social behaviour. Your local police officers are:

Jason Eastwood - jason.eastwood@hampshire.pnn.police.uk 07979 707939

Vicki Pressey - vicki.presse@hampshire.pnn.police.uk 07785 500952

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