# E a s t B o l d r e and beyond e-newsletter

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Hello Everyone

This month's newsletter includes some local events and the usual monthly police report in our Neighbourhood Watch section. 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.

### PRE-LOVED CLOTHING SALE

A charity event in aid of Hampshire & IOW AIR AMBULANCE

**DATE**: Tuesday 18th November

**TIME**: 12 noon till 7pm

**VENUE**: The Chapel, Lymington Road

East End, SO41 5SS

Nearly- new ladies clothing
Accessories
Bric-a-brac

Come and grab a bargain and enjoy a complimentary glass of wine!

Donations of items to sell can be dropped off at: Corner Cottage, Norleywood, SO41 5RS

## **Parish Council News**

The Council met 9th September 2025, chaired by Cllr Beverley Hawker. Key updates included:

- Councillor resignation a casual vacancy has been announced and advertised on the Council noticeboards and website
- Planning: Concerns raised to NFNPA regarding application 25/00848FULL
- New Parish Clerk appointed: Mrs Susan James will be the new Parish Clerk officially taking over from the Locum Clerk on 17th October.
- One of the bus shelters will be refurbished imminently.
- There were various updates regarding meetings Councillors had attended as representatives of the Parish Council.
- Quotes are being obtained to undertake some refurbishment of railings and village signs.
- Full minutes are available on the Council website.
- The next meeting is 14th October 2025 venue to be confirmed.

Helen Symmons, PSLCC Locum Parish Clerk & RFO clerk@eastboldre-pc.gov.uk 07562 985631

## **Boldre Parish History Society Programme** at Boldre War Memorial Hall

Friday, 10th October 2025 at 7.00 p.m.

Speaker: Marc Heighway, "RAF Lymington: An American Airfield in

Lymington/Pylewell"

#### **EXHIBITION**

Sat/Sun. 11th & 12th October 10.00a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

Admission free. Refreshments

Learn about local people, local history & local places

Friday, 14th November 2025 at 7.00 p.m.

AGM followed by Speaker: Philip St. Lawrence, "The Spanish Armada"

Friday, 12th December 2025 at 7.00 p.m.

Speaker: Nick Saunders, "The Murder of Muriel Sutherland"

Friday, 9th January 2026 at 7.00 p.m.

An Archive Evening

Friday, 13th February 2026 at 700p.m.

Speaker: Professor Emeritus Tony King, "Romans Along the Lymington River. New

excavations in the Forest"

Friday, 13th March 2026 at 7.00 p.m.

Speaker: Sandy Shore, "The Life of a Crown Keeper in the New Forest."

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION: £15 OR £5 per lecture. Further Information: Pamela Keen 01590 626654

## Come & Sing Fauré for Remembrance

Music at Beaulieu Abbey are having a' Come and Sing' of Fauré Requiem with poetry on Saturday November 8th in aid of the church. Rehearsals at 2pm for singers and the concert begins at 5pm for singers and choir. All welcome to join in, especially aspiring singers.

Conducted by Chris Burton, this special evening offers a unique opportunity to reflect and remember through the power of music and words.

Rehearsal for the singers, 2pm with interval for tea. Score hire £5 or bring your own

Doors for the concert will be open from 5:15pm

## **An Article from Action Hampshire**

Supporting Hampshire's Heart: Help for Community Groups, Charities & Village Halls

Did you know there's a local charity dedicated to helping small community groups, village halls, and charities thrive across Hampshire?

Action Hampshire has been empowering local communities for over 70 years. Whether you're running a village hall, starting a community project, or managing a small charity, they offer practical support to help you succeed.

From governance and training to grants and advice, Action Hampshire provides tailored guidance to help your group grow. They run workshops and events to build skills and connect with others doing similar work. They offer specialist help for community buildings, including funding, networking opportunities, and best practice guides.

Action Hampshire works on behalf of all local charities to represent the sector's needs to local authorities and funders. Their regular e-newsletter contains useful updates and links to new funding opportunities as well as details about new project funds they are delivering. Their projects focus on tackling health inequalities, organisational development, poverty and cost of living, community led research, and rural affordable housing.

They are currently inviting applications for several community-focused projects, including funding opportunities for initiatives such as 'Healthwatch Hampshire Engagement', 'Safe and Warm Communities', and 'Let's Be Smoke Free'. Visit <a href="https://www.actionhampshire.org.uk">www.actionhampshire.org.uk</a> or call 01962 854971 to learn more and see how they can support your group.

## **HOPe** Needs You

Dorothy found it very difficult being on her own after her husband was moved into a nursing home and having recently moved into the area, with no family, she was feeling isolated. Dorothy was looking for someone she could trust and chat with on a regular basis. When HOPe befriending service came along it really did change her life

"My befriender has played a major role in getting me out and about in the community, this makes me want to live again."

Help us to help vulnerable older people find comfort, support and friendship! www.hopenewforest.org or call 01425 629 009

## Services at Beaulieu, Exbury and East Boldre Churches

For full details of Church Services at Beaulieu, Exbury and East Boldre, go to the Beaulieu Churches website.

We are having a Come and Sing of Fauré Requiem with poetry on Saturday November 8th in aid of the church with rehearsals at 2pm for singers and concert at 5pm for singers and choir. All welcome especially aspiring singers

## **Neighbourhood Watch**

#### **Local Beat Report**

Hello and welcome to the September 2025 Beat Report for the New Forest Heart area. Your team is PC 24901 Mark ROBERTS and PCSO 14495 Richard WILLIAMS.

In October we will be at the Lyndhurst Parish Council Offices at the back of the Community Centre on Wednesday 15th at 11am and on Tuesday 21st we will be at the Bramshaw Village Stores at 8am, outside the Post Office in Bartley at 9am and at the Happy Cheese in Ashurst with the Ashurst and Colbury Neighbourhood watch team from 11am.

Our Beat Surgeries last for 30 minutes, unless demand is high of course, but as we always say if you can't come to any of these meetings you can always call or email us, but to report a crime or any anti-social behaviour dial 101 or go the Hampshire and IOW Police website. Of course, if it's an emergency always call 999.

Are you a member of a local group or organisation that would appreciate a visit from the new Forest Heart team to discuss the latest Scams and Frauds that are doing the rounds and how to best avoid becoming a victim. We've put together a 45-minute talk with some great advice and hints and tips so if you would like us to come and visit you and your group email richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk.

Eight sheds, garages and other outbuildings were broken into this month and the usual mix of power tools and garden and sporting equipment stolen. The areas affected were Winsor, Bartley, Lyndhurst, Ashurst, Brockenhurst and Minstead. We've also had six vehicles, including a motorhome and two mopeds, stolen from driveways and roads in Bucklers Hard, Cadnam, Woodlands and Ower. Also stolen this month was the electric cabling from an EV charger outside a house in Lyndhurst.

The total number of vehicles broken into this month was seven, with four of them being vans parked in hotel car parks in Ower and Lyndhurst. The other cars were in Ashurst, Minstead and Brockenhurst.

Last month we told you about several thefts from boats moored on the Beaulieu River and in the Marina. This month we had a couple more reported to us, but an arrest has been made and the investigation into those thefts is ongoing.

Two more shopliftings were reported this month again at the Co Op in Brockenhurst. A teenage boy from Hythe has been sentenced to a six-month Detention and Training Order after admitting six offences including theft and assault. His crimes included a shoplifting offence and a common assault at the Co Op in Brockenhurst at the beginning of the month.

Vintage car badges were also stolen from a stall at the Beaulieu Auto Jumble and an expensive vintage car was also deliberately scratched at the same event. An air conditioning unit was stolen from a building site in Brockenhurst and finally one expensive bicycle was stolen in September – it was attached to a camper van at the Ashurst campsite and was taken during the night. Thieves entered the maintenance area at Paultons Park and stole thousands of pounds worth of tools and machinery.

A 45-year-old male was arrested this month in connection with handling stolen goods after the theft of tools from a van parked in Portsmouth. As well as the arrest, a large number of tools were also seized, suspected to be stolen, and further enquiries are underway to determine this.

We held three Op Mountie sessions in September. After the deaths of three animals in just over one week on the Roger Penny Way between Godshill and Telegraph Hill we took the Op Mountie team to the area and during the operation we stopped four vehicles and gave two tickets to drivers for recording speeds of 54 and 55mph on a 40mph road – the other two drivers were spoken to by our partners.

OP MOUNTIE is our multi agency approach to reducing speed and animal accidents across the New Forest and for every operation we are joined by our partners @ForestryEngland @NewForestNationalPark and the New Forest Roads Awareness Team who educate drivers stopped on why the roads in the Forest are so special and why we all need to take so much extra care.

Earlier in the month we held two operations at the same locations but two days apart. On Monday 8th we spent two hours between 6.30am and 8.30am at both Crockford Clump and Hawkhill car parks and then did exactly the same two days later. The figures make interesting reading in that over the four sessions on both days we only stopped 12 vehicles for exceeding the 40 mph limit. Eight drivers were given educational advice by our partners @ForestryEngland @NewForestNationalPark and the New Forest Roads Awareness Team and four were given tickets for speeds of 51, 53, 53 and a very disappointing 62mph. And sadly, three of the four drivers given tickets were locals living in or on the outskirts of the Forest. But again, as always, thank you to all the drivers who did stick to the limit – we really do appreciate it.

Your local Police team are:

richard.williams@hampshire.police.uk 07554 775469

mark.roberts.24091@hampshire.police.uk 07392 314340

## **Dates for your Diary**

#### Music at Beaulieu

Tickets for all concerts except Glyndebourne can be bought online.

It is possible to buy tickets directly from the Ticket Office by calling 07770 859900 and on the day at the door, if the concerts are not sold out and subject to availability.

#### **Beaulieu and District Gardening Club**

Membership is £10 per annum. Membership secretary Lynne Hubbard 01590 612408. Visitors to talks £4.

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### 9 October

7.30pm, Beaulieu Village Hall. Beaulieu and District Gardening Club - A talk by Bryan Madders on Dahlias

#### 1 November

Music at Beaulieu presents The King of Instruments (Organ)

#### 6 November

6.30pm, Beaulieu and District Gardening Club Annual General Meeting, Beaulieu Village Hall, followed by refreshments.

#### 6 December

Music at Beaulieu presents New Forest Choirs

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