

Newcourt News

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For residents of • The Fairways • Great Woodcote Park • Greenacres • Holland Park • Old Rydon Ley • Old Rydon Lane (east) • The Rydons • Rydon Lawns • Rydon Place

#### Dear Newcourt resident

If this is the first time you have received Newcourt News, welcome to this great community - and enjoy the read! Newcourt is a growing area, with at least four developers currently working here, Persimmon/Charles Church; Barratt/David Wilson; Heritage Homes; Bloor Homes. Apart from Old Rydon Lane and Old Rydon Ley, the first brand new homes were occupied about eight years ago. Now there are about 1300 homes and numbers will rise to 3500.

The Newcourt Community Association is an affiliation of residents who want to contribute to making Newcourt a great place to live. That might be a small thing like fixing a neighbour's washing machine, or agreeing to head up a team of residents to try to sort out yellow lines and parking.

You will find some of the more organised activities advertised in this edition of Newcourt News. There's a lot going on. Where could you get stuck in?

Living here is not without its challenges. There is no overall project manager for the development. Such a person would have had his/her finger on the pulse, setting and meeting deadlines, monitoring the various site plans and ensuring each developer complies with the plan. This lack presents a HUGE challenge for us as residents. We have no hope of bringing change without working together.

Two years ago, residents were asked to take on the running of the brand new Community Centre. This is a mammoth task and required the NCA to become a CIO (charity).

Here are some ways you could get involved:

- You may have some expertise that could help us. Do get in touch with me if you think you could offer your expertise to help build our community.
- Are you on the residents' email circulation list? If not, please e-mail the secretary at newcourtca@gmail.com
- If you weren't able to be at the recent Annual General Meeting you can find the brief summary notes on www.newcourtca.org.uk
- Check out what's going on at the Community Centre. www.newcourtcommunitycentre.com

The best way to feel part of the community is to get involved. It's certain that when neighbours know each other, communities are more fun and safer places to live. Let's work together to do just that!

With best wishes John Arkell

Chairman NCA



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# **NEWCOURT STREETS Part III**

The area of **Newcourt** includes the late 18th Century Newcourt House, Exeter Golf & Country Club (opened in 1929) and the former Royal Naval Supplies Depot. Half of the Golf Club was acquisitioned by the British Government for the depot. The RNSD was constructed in 1943 and operated by the American Navy in preparation for D-Day. It was the largest supply depot in southern England. The stores depot was finally closed in 1997. Our street names reflect these links.

Newcourt Drive

These take their names from Newcourt House - now used as offices by NHS and the RD&E.

Street names in Rydon Place and Rydon Lawns have a golf connection. ['Par' means the score may be above or below its normal figure.]

# Holland Park

There is a colourful history here, worth looking up!

The title Duke of Exeter was first given to John *Holland* (half-brother of King Richard II) in 1397. He was executed after the failed Epiphany Rising - the rebellion to restore Richard II as King and remove Henry IV from the throne.

Holland Park was formerly known as Weir Park. It remained the Duke of Exeter's estate until 1929 when it was sold to Exeter Golf and Country Club.

Albatross Road

An **albatross** (or 'double eagle') is a score of 3-under par on an individual hole; for example, making a '2' on a par-5 hole. Scoring an **albatross** is one of the rarest feats in **golf**, far less common than a hole-in-one.

Birdie Walk

A **birdie** means a score of one stroke under par, comes from the early 20th century American slang term 'bird', meaning anything excellent.

**Hook Drive** 

A **hook shot** is normally a badly hit ball that curves hard left. So as you walk up Hook Drive, you find yourself turning hard left!

Mulligan Drive

A *mulligan* is a second chance to perform an action, usually after the first chance went wrong through bad luck or blunder. Its best known meaning is when a player is informally allowed to replay a stroke, even though this is against the formal rules of golf.

**Bunker Square** 

A **bunker** is a hazard consisting of a prepared area of ground, often a hollow, from which turf or soil has been removed and replaced with **sand**.

Sand Grove
Caddy Place

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Old Rydon Lane

A *caddy* (or caddie) is the person who carries a player's bag and clubs and gives helpful advice and moral support. A good caddy is aware of challenges and obstacles on the course and the best strategy in playing it.

Old Rydon Ley

The Devonian name *Rydon* comes from the Old English 'Ryge Dun' meaning 'hill of Rye'. A *ley* (pronounced 'lay') is arable land put down to grass or pasture.

Parts I and II of Newcourt Street Names are in April 2015 & November 2015 editions of Newcourt News at www.newcourtca.org.uk







# **Cleaning up Newcourt**

11am till 12.30pm Meet at Community Centre

# Saturday Litter picks

16 July; 3 Sept; 19 Nov; 21 Jan 2017; 11 March 2017 bulb planting - 8 October \* picks & binbags provided \* bring gloves

Followed by coffee & cake!

NCA Environment Team clare.parkinson5@gmail.com

# (OMMUNITY ARTS NEW COURT (CAN)

An opportunity for residents to join forces in arranging and creating 'art' in Newcourt: from a fabric collage to Street Dancing; from a photo montage to station posters. We want to make Newcourt 'OUR' community with its own personality, through art in the community centre, the station and elsewhere. A drop-in session in March brought in lots of ideas and we want to move forward in the following areas:

- \* A big project making a fabric collage based on the history of Newcourt, and composed of sections made by different groups such as Brownies and Guides. This would be led by a community artist, hopefully funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund.
- A photo montage time-line of Newcourt, from the earliest record, to a photo with as many residents as possible in the garden of the community centre. (Research from the Devon Heritage Centre would include Newcourt House and the Americans in Newcourt during World War II).
- \* Free street dancing sessions
- Designing posters for the station platform telling the history of Newcourt.
- Art on canvas by individual artists living in **Newcourt** in the community centre rooms.

Any ideas and help would be appreciated, and you don't have to be an 'artist' to get involved! Get in touch with judy.cretney@talktalk.net



PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG!

# Pregnant & worried?

Confidential, caring support for those facing a crisis because of pregnancy. Contact our dedicated team of advisors for further information and appointments. Phone 07826 715377 or email choicespregnancyexeter@gmail.com



### **PCSO** Anthony Keller

### **Neighbourhood Police Update**

As our organisation shrinks, we are looking at ways to reduce demand on the police. Neighbourhood teams are becoming more focused on those that need our services most: the vulnerable, most at risk of harm and those who are victim to the most impactive crimes. You may not

see us walking the streets or at as many community events as you once did but rest assured, we are still hard at work in the community.

Due to ongoing concerns from residents and drivers of dangerous and speeding vehicles on Rydon Lane, we held a traffic operation in late April. We stopped many vehicles, issuing over 25 tickets for speeding above 50mph in the 40mph limit. The highest speed was 60mph. Speeding has a significant impact on the safety of motorists and pedestrians, with Countess Wear roundabout and Rydon Lane having a much higher than average accident and fatality rate. This event will be repeated.

Some roads in Newcourt are soon to be adopted by Devon County Council. We will be part of the consultation group discussing parking and restrictions to aid traffic flow and safety for residents. However, once adoption has taken place, please contact Devon County Council with any concerns, and not the police, as parking is not a police matter.

### **POP UP CAFÉ**

Wednesdays 2-4.30pm

Community Centre

- chat and a drink
- read-and-return library
  - table tennis
    - scrabble

Tea/coffee 50p a cup **Delicious biscuits** children's drinks crisps cakes at low prices!

If you would like to help the small team of residents in running the café, get in touch 01392 873560

# BEACH BAKE

for children aged 5 or over with Clare Parkinson

# SATURDAY 9th JULY

2pm till 4pm **Newcourt Community Centre** 

Baking - with premade biscuit mix Ice-cream cone cakes Beach theme lemon biscuits

COST £3.00 per child includes ingredients BRING Parent, apron, bun tray, mixing bowl, baking sheet, rolling pin.

**MUST BOOK - by contacting Clare** clare.parkinson5@gmail.com

STREET DANCE sessions in summer holidays for secondary age young people •weekly for 4 classes • at Community Centre

• more details and

to book, e-mail judy.cretney@talktalk.net

All community events advertised on pages 1-4 are run by volunteers. If you have a community non-profit event to advertise, contact comms@newcourtca.org.uk

# NEWCOURT babies & toddlers

...a safe & friendly place to meet and play at the heart of our community

# Wednesdays 10-11.30am

during term time - £1 per family **Newcourt Community Centre** 

For more information, or to book a place, contact Judy at judy.cretney@talktalk.net

organised & run by local parents sponsored by Trinity church

PHONE 101 if you see anything suspicious or are on the receiving end of any anti-social behaviour



# **Primary School**

Newcourt is scheduled to have a Primary School in the land behind Greenácres' houses.

Simon Niles from Devon County Council attended the recent NCA Annual General Meeting to give a short progress update regarding Trinity CofE Voluntary Aided Primary & Nursery School. Please see the AGM minutes on the NCA website for more information. www.newcourtca.org.uk

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## Rainbows. **Brownies & Guides**

Thursdays Newcourt Community Centre Rainbows 5-6pm

Brownies/Guides 6-7.30pm

If your daughter is interested, go to www.girlguiding.org.uk

'parents' section, where you will see all the units near to your address.

Choose 39th Exeter Rainbows/Brownies or Guides & register your daughter. Dawn Courtney

YMCA YMCA EXETER

### **New Community Job Club** Starting Thursday 30th June 2.30 - 4.30 PM

At the Newcourt Community Centre Blakeslee Drive, The Rydons, Exeter, EX2 7FN





# Do you like singing? Come & join the Digby & **Newcourt Community Choir.**

Even if you've never sung in a choir before and can't read music - it's fun! No audition, you just have to live here!

Wednesdays 8-9.30pm during term time MS Centre, Clyst Heath EX2 7EY Interested?

Contact John & Kate 07930 348210 or kate@arkells.net



for 7-11s

being planned to start in September!

At Newcourt Community Centre

If you would like to help, contact newcourtca@gmail.com

Newcourt Community Centre **Blakeslee Drive Exeter** EX2 7FN



#### **Available for Hire:**

Sunday to Thursday 8am-10pm Friday & Saturday 8am-11pm

dances • discos • seminars • parties wedding receptions • displays fitness classes • conferences presentations • public events



www.newcourtcommunitycentre.com • E: info@newcourtcommunitycentre.com



# CAR BOOT & TABLE TOP SALE

Sunday 5th June 12noon till 3pm

**Newcourt Community Centre & Car Park** £5 per car • £3 per table

**Book:** Jo: 07709 256342 or Gemma: gemmahallett7583@hotmail.co.uk

Men's Circuit Training

> **Thursdays** 6.30-7.30pm

**Community Centre** 

07930 348210

Could you ...

- deliver flyers and newsletters?
- help run a community event?

Contact: newcourtca @gmail.com

# **MORE TRAINS EVERY SUNDAY**

----- STARTING 15 MAY -----

NEWCOURT TO EXETER & EXMOUTH

HALF HOURLY THROUGH MOST OF THE DAY

WWW.SEIZETHESUNDAY.ORG

Devon & Cornwall RAIL PARTNERSHIP



# **Devon Cream Tea** to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday

All residents invited

to the Newcourt



on grass area opposite Community Centre. Scones, jam and cream provided!

Bring picnic blanket, folding chairs, drinks.

In Community Centre if wet.

£3/session

Contact John

£1 per

head

**Friday** 24th June 7.30pm

Newcourt Community Centre

Maximum 6 to a team. Make up a t<mark>eam, or</mark> joi<mark>n a</mark> team on the night.

Bring your own drinks!

# Christians in Newcourt

Whatever church you go to, come and meet up with other Christians who live here. Different months, different activities • could be a Sunday lunch • an early morning or evening hour to pray for our community • or Sunday afternoon tea. If you would like to come, contact Alex 875933 paulandalexandra@live.co.uk

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