

## **Morden news for May 2010**

### **COMMUNITY**

CHURCH FLOWERS 1 May Meg Wilkins, 8 & 15 May Sally Miles, 22 & 29 May Katherine Rowat, 5 & 12 June Hazel Beal.

### HIGHWOOD GARDENS OPEN - Sunday 9 May 2010

By kind permission of the Drax family. Do come and see the glorious rhododendrons and azalias in a natural woodland setting and enjoy home-made cakes and tea in the park. Proceeds from the sale of teas for Morden Church. We would be grateful for any donations of cakes or helping with the teas of car parking on the day - please contact Sarah Bowerman on 01929 459204

### MICHAEL EASTMENT 1936 - 2010

Mike was born in Affpuddle but moved to Morden when a child and thereafter spent most of his life living in the village. He was best known for his work and dedication to the traditional craft of a hurdle maker and also making spars for the thatchers, working in many coppices until his retirement in 2006. He was truly a very country wise man. He is so sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Dorothy and family would like to say thank you to everyone who sent kind words of sympathy and support at their very sad time – they are very much appreciated.

### NORMAN SHELDRAKE - Parish Volunteer of the Year for Morden.

In last month's magazine it was reported that I had been nominated for this award.

On 17 March, we had to go to Westport House, we being me and my wife Florrie, Alex Brenton (Chair of Morden Parish Council) and my daughter Lynne. On arrival it was in to the council chamber with nine others and their guests.

My time soon came round for Alex to present me to the Mayor of Purbeck District Council and after a few words he presented me with the scroll for my award. Then Alex addressed those present as to why I was chosen for the award and for the work in the past. After all the awards were presented, we rounded off the evening with drinks, canapés and a chat. A very enjoyable evening.

I would like to thank Morden Parish Council for putting my name forward and to Alex for saying all the good things about me and forgetting the bad!! I would say that we have a good team of volunteers in the village and pass my thanks to them all.

Norman, a very proud man.

### **MORDEN PARISH COUNCIL**

Polling for the District Council and the General Election takes place at Morden Village Hall on Thursday 6th May 2010.

There were 7 nominations for the 7 places on Morden Parish Council so no election is necessary. The following were returned unopposed: Nigel Amey, Alex Brenton, Jason Bowerman, Annie Linley-Adams, Iain Machin, Mary Mathers, Ann Miller.

Malcolm Green decided not to stand again as he will shortly be moving from the village. We would like to thank Malcolm for his many years serving on the Parish Council and wish him and Felicity every happiness in their new home.

The next meeting will be on Monday 10 May at 7:30 pm. This will be the Annual General Meeting. All welcome.

**WHAT'S ON AT MORDEN VILLAGE HALL**

CAR BOOT SALES begin on Sunday 9 May and are held every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays from May to August. So start your spring clear out and come down to make some extra cash or just come along to find a bargain and enjoy a cup of tea and home-made cakes!

TENNIS – now that the warm weather has finally arrived, why not dust off your racquets and head for the tennis courts. They only cost £1 per person per hour. Annual subscription £30 per family. Bookings Norman Sheldrake on 01929 459321.