



WARRIOR TRAIL (FOOTPATH) WAY MARKERS

- 1 FIVE BARROWS**
Ancient burial mounds past which Warrior would gallop
- 2 SIDLING PAUL FIELD**
Where young Warrior spent his early days 1908-10
- 3 BROOK CHURCH**
Nim, Jack Seely's first wife, was buried here in 1913
- 4 BROOK HOUSE**
Jack Seely and Warrior based here until 1925
- 5 BROOK HILL HOUSE**
Built in 1911/13 by Sir Charles Seely, Jack's father
- 6 BROOK**
Warrior shod by David Hookey, the Brook blacksmith
- 7 LIFEBOAT STATION**
Brook Lifeboat part of village life, Jack rowed in the boat
- 8 MOTTISTONE CHURCH**
Jack Seely's ashes and memorial in the side chapel
- 9 MOTTISTONE MANOR**
Home for Jack and Warrior until Warrior's death in 1941 and Jack's in 1947
- 10 THE LONGSTONE**
Neolithic ceremonial worshipping stones
- 11 BRIGHSTONE**
Local village where Warrior was local hero
- 12 YAFFORD**
Warrior's birthplace in 1908



CARISBROOKE CASTLE

For a castle that has lived through more than 800 years of service, including resisting a siege by the French and seeing off the Spanish Armada, Carisbrooke Castle is wonderfully well preserved. At the heart of the island's history, the castle is where King Charles I was imprisoned. There are all the ingredients here for a great value family day out on the Isle of Wight. Children will love dressing up as Norman soldiers or Civil War troopers, and meeting the castle's famous donkeys. While for the grown-ups, there is a fascinating museum which currently houses a dedicated WW1 exhibition, and the Edwardian-style Princess Beatrice Garden with its statue of the war-horse, Warrior.

During August the castle is the backdrop to an action-packed events programme. Enjoy Grand Medieval Jousts with knights battling on horseback and tournaments where knight clash in hand-to-hand combat. Kids can also go on a quest around the castle. For further details and opening times go to www.english-heritage.org.uk/carisbrookecastle



8 THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER & ST. PAUL, MOTTISTONE

Here, Jack Seely's ashes lie in front of the altar in the Cheke Chapel. The chapel is notable for the unusual use of oak. The pews are made from oak and the whole chapel is enclosed by a parclose screen of oak, around the top of which is a long Latin inscription which is a memorial to General Jack Seely. One small section reads "Much gifted, he lavished his talents in the service of all men. Wise in counsel and vigorous in action, his simple gaiety and imperturbable courage were the inspiration of many, and his loving kindness the delight of children". The parclose screen was designed by John Seely, the architect son of Jack, in memory of his father. John Seely became the second baron and was surveyor to the fabric of St. Paul's Cathedral. There is an inscription in south porch to the memory of John and Evelyn, Lady Mottistone.



3 ST. MARY THE VIRGIN CHURCH, BROOK

The 13th century church was almost totally destroyed by fire in December 1862 when a new gallery made from Cedar wood, caught fire. The wood had been salvaged from the wreck of the ship Cedarine. The church was rebuilt on the same site, reproducing the original gothic style.

Jack Seely will always be remembered locally for the outstanding part he played as a member and coxswain of Brook Lifeboat. Lifeboats had to be rowed and sailed and accomplished incredible feats of bravery. 381 lives were saved between the years of 1860 to 1937, and there are painted boards in the church recording rescues and showing appreciation of the lifeboat crews.

Opposite the church is a field called Sidling Paul where Warrior spent his young days.



THE SEELY FAMILY AT BROOK & MOTTISTONE

Charles Seely was born in 1803 of modest Lincolnshire millers, but by the time of his death in 1887 was one of the largest landowners in the country. He owned much of West Wight. He bought Brook House in 1857 and a number of other properties in the area. Charles and his wife Mary enlarged the house. Each of their three daughters settled in the Isle of Wight. Charles Seely set up the County Library service, a local school and the Lifeboat Station. Charles' son Sir Charles Seely, built Brook Hill House both for the views and because he had bronchial trouble and was advised to live higher up. The house was built in 1910 and has features similar to Dartmouth College. Sir Charles had nine children and over 50 grandchildren. Sir Charles left the Brook estate to his son General Jack Seely MP. Jack moved to Mottistone Manor in 1926 and sold Brook House to his brother.