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Front cover - Helen Jewell, a netball coach from Rayleigh, carries the Olympic Flame in Maldon Road on the 6th July

Local events and happenings

Diary Dates

August

- 6 Parish Council meeting, village hall 7.30pm
- 8 Wine Club
- 11 Methodist Church coffee morning
- 12 Visit to Wisley, see page 4
- 23 Sponsored family walk, see page 10
- 24 Hadfelda WI visit to Essex Record Office
- 26 Essex Dog Day at Crix
- 26 Fun Day at Wheatsheaf for Helen Rollason charity, see back page
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September

- 1 St Andrew's coffee morning and toy sale
- 3 Parish Council meeting
- 5 Flower Club
- 8 Methodist Church coffee morning
- 8 Plant sale/coffee morning, Tudor Lodge
- 12 Wine Club
- 13 Folk Dance Club
- 22 Salvation Army coffee morning
- 22 Harlequin Children's Centre open day
- 25 WEA Autumn class begins, see page 7
- 26 Hadfelda WI
- 27 Folk Dance Club
- 29 Horticultural Society Autumn Show

October

- 1 Parish Council meeting
- 2 WEA, Model villages to Garden Cities, see page 7

Village hall happenings

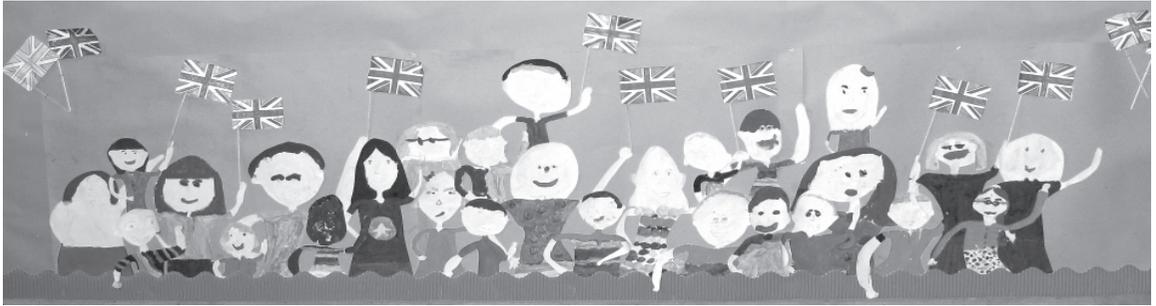
Opening times - Monday to Saturday 7pm - 11pm and Sundays 12 noon- 4.30pm, 7pm - 10.30pm.

Bingo - third Thursday in month 7.30 for 8pm Thursday 16th August

Poker - Saturday 18th August, 22nd September

Brag - Friday 3rd August, 7th September

All bookings for hall and meeting rooms ring 01245 381481 (hall telephone number) or call Alan on 07741 140732



It can only get better!

Following a relaxing break with the Horticultural Society in the delightful Isle of Wight, we learnt that unless the Review reaches the printers today (26th July) we may not get it for a couple of weeks. Panic! There's been pruning, cutting and, I'm afraid, some leaving out - you may also find some typos. But the sun is shining, its warm and all is right with the world - until the next time.

(Thank you to Infant School children for their Jubilee frieze, above)

Review distribution - every household in the village should receive a Review but it appears not everyone does - some get their copy second hand from family or friends. If this is you, or someone you know, please get in touch with our distribution organiser Marel Elliston (380827) email marelelliston@btinternet.com who will get a copy to you.

Baker Avenue footpath

Ken Earney, Parish Paths Partnership (P3) rep for Hatfield Peverel

Following our article in the last issue, we have been getting evidence of use questionnaires round to people we considered most likely to be frequent users of the path, those in the Baker Avenue and roads in the immediate vicinity, and also to those who have contacted us as a result of the article. We have distributed somewhere in the region of 80 or 90 forms, and have had 35 returned so far. We would still like to hear from anyone who has not yet been contacted who has made frequent use of this path within the last twenty years, but also anyone with experience of using it earlier, since it was created in the late 50s.

For those who have yet to complete the form, a plea. Please consider questions 1 and 19 carefully before answering, then give as good an estimate as you can as to how often and when you have used it. These are probably the most important questions in the form which will give the assessors the background to how important this path is to all of us. They are looking for how many people have used it over the more than the twenty years principally taken into account - when, how often, and the whole variety of different purposes, ie work, school, scouts and guides, cricket, allotments, village shops and services etc. In Q19 it is proving difficult for most people to say how many, and how often, they have seen others on the path over all the years that they have used, but have a go and try to give a feeling for it. For instance, you might say something along the lines of 'impossible to be certain, I was usually alone and saw maybe one or two individuals most days that I used it'. (You will already have given an estimate of how many times per week, month or year in Q1.) The fuller an impression you give of path use the better - but please don't exaggerate!

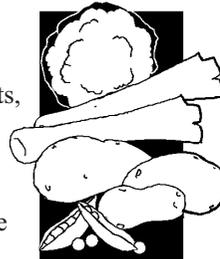
By the way, I've noticed that a number of respondents have both walked and cycled on the path. If we are successful in getting ECC to adopt the path then it will no longer be legal to cycle on it.

I'm aiming to get the exercise completed by the end of August, so please try and get yours back to any one of us as soon as possible:- Ken Earney, 59 Willow Crescent, 01245 381235; Alan Ingram, 6 Baker Avenue, 01245 381880; Bernie Heard, 8 Baker Avenue, 01245 380370.

Rain, rain, go away

Allotment Association - David Goodey (01245 380389)

Well, that's the Ark finished and the search for animals begins. We have rabbits, wood pigeons, deer and alligators so far. The rain has been horrendous and has caused problems with access to work the sites in the constant bad weather and the ongoing war against weeds which are prodigious to say the least. Fruit crops have been fine but some root crops, potatoes in particular, have rotted in the ground. Slugs and snails have had a field day in the damp – but the thrushes have been happy!



Allotment people are hardy sorts and our annual competition was held on 30th June, judged in the rain of course, by Darren Fazackerley the Essex Chairman of the National Society of Allotment and Leisure Gardeners. The outcome was decisive and popular, with Peter and Steph Gammons winning with their gorgeous plot on the old site. The full results were:-

Old site

1st 138 points, Pete and Steph Gammons
2nd 120 points. Terry and Liz Atkinson
3rd 116 points, Andy and Rachel

New site

1st 123 points, Julie Ruzbridge
2nd 120 points, Phil and Sheila Turner
3rd 101 points, Barbara James

Soft drinks and nibbles followed. Many thanks to Mick and Margaret Seaman, John and Ann Cockell, Michele Ridgewell and everyone else who helped to make the morning a very pleasant occasion. My plot was commended for best return to natural wilderness!

Presently we have plots available for letting on both sites. For the new site, next to the cricket pitch, call Paul Waite 01245 380429, and for the old site, next to the church, call John Cockell 01245 381646.

Apologies David for not including the 'protect your sheds and allotments' article - see it in October

Sunshine at a premium!

Horticultural Society - Sarah Barker

There must be lots of good people in the society: the sun shone for the visit to Hockley, an award-winning garden featured on BBC's Gardener's World; for the delightful garden event at Tudor Lodge (thank you Hedley and David) where everyone partook so heartily of the wonderful food they had difficulty in getting round the garden - and bowling for the pig, a splendid joint of pork; and last but not least, the glorious five day, four night trip to the Isle of Wight when a coachload of members and friends enjoyed the delights of this magical island.

The sun shone and flowers bloomed to a great height - yes, they have had plenty of rain like us. The sea was a step away, time for a quick paddle before setting out to see the various gardens with such delightful names as Crab Cottage. Of

particular interest was Osborne House, favourite residence of Queen Victoria and her family, and visited by Queen Elizabeth on Wednesday 25th July for the opening of the refurbished beach hut.

RHS garden, Wisley, Sunday 12th August

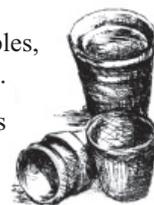
Many changes have taken place since our last visit some five years ago, there are new glass houses and surrounding gardens. There will be plants for sale - they were a bit lean on the Isle of Wight!

Plant sale and coffee morning, Saturday 8th September, Tudor Lodge 10am

Autumn Show, Saturday 29th September, village hall 10am.

Plenty of time to tend your vegetables, bake a cake or finish the handicraft.

Information on events and tickets for Wisley from Clive Emberson, 01245 381704.



Successful art exhibition

Peter Walker, Secretary (01245 381798)

Website www.hatfieldpeverelartgroup.co.uk

The Art Group exhibition held on Saturday 16th June in the Salvation Army hall was again a great success with a very good throughput of visitors showing interest in more than 150 paintings on display. These were the work of Art Club members and visiting artists and included exhibits from pupils at St Andrew's Junior School reflecting a theme of the Diamond Jubilee. Special features were a demonstration of pastel/acrylic painting by group tutor Trevor Harwood and a painting workshop for younger potential artists masterminded by Brian Corrie.

The positive atmosphere in the hall made the much-appreciated efforts of group members and their families very worthwhile. The excellent refreshments on offer were a popular attraction.

Our thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of the event, especially our sponsors, the artists who created the exhibits and the visitors to the exhibition on the day.

For information on the group, contact Peter Walker 381798, or visit our website, see above.

Talking Tots

Contact Amanda on 07887 955741,
amanda@talkingtots.info

Talking Tots is the UK's leading programme for developing children's speech and language skills

- Self esteem and social confidence
- Great listening and attention
- Turn taking and sharing skills
- Confident communication
- Imagination and storytelling
- Good pre-literacy skills



Classes at Scout and Guide HQ Monday am

Sprites	(1-2yrs)	9.30am
Sprinters	(2-3yrs)	10.30am
Sparklers	(3-4yrs)	11.30am

Booking are now being taken for the Autumn term beginning 10th September - book now and first two classes are free!

History in the making - the Olympic Torch relay

Tony French on behalf of the Party in the Park Committee

After the rain in the morning of the Torch Relay through Hatfield Peverel (the rain stopped) the sun came out and the recreation ground dried out for our Party in the Park



The village hall was full after the torch with people drying out and taking advantage of free tea and coffee and bacon butties. This was followed by bingo, the quiz, a free lunch and a singer in the hall, before the children arrived to be enthralled by Mr Happy. To keep the older young people and adults happy, we had secured a climbing wall which proved to be very popular. Also in the hall were craft stalls and a local dance troupe. Food and drink outlets were provided both inside and outside. Our special treat for the day was our very own Olympic runner, Graham Lindsay, who happily posed with his torch, allowing villagers to hold it, all proceeds going to Helen Rollason.

In the evening we livened up proceedings with a local majorette group followed by music from Ian Jordan and Loaded Dice. A happy fun filled day for the entire village.

None of this would have been possible without the people of Hatfield Peverel and Nounsley, the tremendous support we had from the entertainers who gave us their time for free, the stewards and committee who organised and kept the whole event going and of course our sponsors, primarily Arla Foods. Special thanks to Emma Morris who was the inspiration behind most of the entertainment (and a lot of the equipment as well).

Our primary aim was to host a family event for the whole of the village. Our secondary objective was to raise funds for Helen Rollason and I am glad to report that our preliminary estimate is that we will be able to present them with a cheque for over £1,000.

We are now thinking about following it in 2013.

Parish Council news

Lisa Miller, Clerk to the Parish Council

36 Rossendale, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 2UA Tel 01245 344439

clerk.hatfieldpeverelpc@blueyonder.co.uk

Please call the above number to make an appointment with the Clerk at the Parish Office

Planning

All planning meetings are open to the public. Notification of these meetings will be erected in the village notice boards three clear days prior to each meeting.

The following applications have recently been made

Amendment to previously approved application (11/00669/FUL) to connect the garage to the bungalow – proposed conversion of existing bungalow to one and a half storey dwelling at Badgers Hollow, Maldon Road. No comment; erection of ground floor and second floor extension at Clematis, Maldon Road. No comment; construction of new vehicular access forming an in/out driveway at Hackington, London Road. No comment; removal of existing conservatory, erection of two storey side extension and alterations to existing boundary screen wall at 10 Ranulph Way. No comment; conversion of existing outbuilding for use as a home study and playroom ancillary to the main dwelling at Small Acres, Maldon Road. No comment.

Erection of additional storey to create an additional three self contained flats, proposed demolition of existing garage block and the construction of a new detached garage/carport block, additional parking and storage facilities at Priory Court, The Street. No comment; erection of front porch and two storey rear extension at Rose Cottage, Ulting Road. No comment; installation of 50kw ground mounted PV solar array at Whitelands, Terling Road. No comment; erection of porch to entrance door to public house at The Cross Keys PH, The Green. No comment.

The following applications have been approved by the District Council

Proposed new entrance gates to front and rear at Rainbirds, Paper Mill Bridge; erection of a two storey side extension to existing two storey semi-detached dwelling and erection of single storey front porch/bay extension at 29 New Road; erection of single storey rear extension at Vinehurst, The Street; amended proposal for approved planning application ref: 11/01020/FUL for five dwellings and associated car parking at land at Prospect Close.

The following applications have been refused by the District Council

Erection of new dwelling at land adjacent to 1 New Road; erection of two storey side extension with alteration to existing roof at 4 Yew Tree Close.

The Youth Bus will be visiting the village hall each week during the school holidays again this year. Which day of the week is yet to be confirmed so please check the notice boards.

Parish Council meetings in village hall at 7.30pm on Monday 6th August and 3rd September.

Expansion of food waste collection

Richard Bisset, Interim Manager, Operations, Braintree District Council

Planned expansion of our food waste collection service will take place **from Monday, 24th September. Collection day for Hatfield Peverel will be a Monday.** The expansion funded by Essex County Council will complete the roll-out of this service to all accessible households in Braintree District. Key benefits will include consistency of service provision across the District, weekly collections of food waste for a majority of residents, improved customer satisfaction, reduced processing costs, increased recycling and higher diversion of waste from land fill to a more sustainable option.

Food waste vehicle routes will match green waste routes as far as possible to ensure the green waste vehicle on that route collects just pure green waste. Contamination of green waste will result in the entire load requiring the more expensive 'in vessel' composting treatment - **it is important that residents do not put food waste into their green bin once the food waste collections commence.**

Process for extending the scheme

Households new to the scheme will receive an introductory letter and leaflet in July, followed by delivery of a small food waste container and instruction pack in August and September. **Collections** of the new food waste container will commence from **Monday 24 September 2012**. Collection dates will be provided.

How the scheme works

Householders will be required to separate all their food waste (including fish, meat and bones; cooked and uncooked food) and put it in their food waste container. This will be collected on a weekly basis on the same day (as far as possible) as the refuse and recycling and sent for 'in-vessel' composting. The grey and green bins will remain on alternating weekly collections.

Food waste can be put straight into the new food bin or wrapped in newspaper or in compostable caddy liners. Information about which caddy liners are suitable will be included in the instruction pack delivered with the containers. Information will also be available on the Council's website.

Once the new weekly food waste collection service has been introduced, it is essential that residents do not put any food waste into their green or grey wheeled bins.

We are able to offer a limited number of food waste surgeries, drop-in sessions or parish briefings prior to the start of the service. If you would like to take advantage of this offer, please contact Sarah Cross, Waste Recycling Officer, on 01376 332374. If you have any questions about the new service, please contact me or a member of my team - **Richard Bisset, tel: 01376 552525 ext 3334; fax 01376 340920; email richardbisset@braintree.gov.uk**

Saffron Walden here we come



A group of WEA members and friends enjoyed a day out in the market town of Saffron Walden in June where round every corner there is something of delight and interest. Our guide, Terry Bard, a one time inhabitant of this fascinating place, gave us some personal glimpses - St Mary's church, the largest in Essex, and further along The Sun Inn, a chaotic building with seven gables renowned for its pargetting. The Gibson family wholly or partly funded many of the institutions in Saffron Walden including the general hospital and grammar school, Friends Meeting House, swimming pool and public baths, alms houses for the town and their own employees, and the wonderful Bridge End gardens, a picture on this warm sunny day. Everyone found their way to the excellent eating houses before spending the afternoon exploring.

Forthcoming programme .

Mixing with Music is the autumn 10-week course, starting on Tuesday 25th September in the Scout and Guide HQ, Church Road.. Come and share music, discussions and discoveries with tutor Quintus Benziger.

Evening talks

Model Villages to Garden Cities - housing for the working classes - with Jim Page on Tuesday 2nd October in the Methodist Church hall.

Looking at the Stars - weather permitting, on Wednesday 11th November St Andrew's Church hall, an evening looking at the night sky with North Essex Astronomical Society.

Brief Encounter - personal reminiscences of Chelmsford's greatest experiment in chemistry, on Tuesday 4th December with Brian Bourn.

Everyone is welcome - for further information contact Terry Bard on 01245 381289.

Letter spot

In recent months and more particularly in recent weeks the post has been arriving at odd times, on one occasion at 6.30pm. Having made enquiries it would seem that parts of the village are without a designated postman. Until 6 months ago the village had four postmen but due to ill health Les the postman who delivered to my road has left the service and remains very poorly.



It appears that the powers that be have instructed the three remaining postmen to sort it out between themselves for a trial period of 38 weeks; we are now about 25 weeks in and the postal service is becoming poorer by the day. The remaining postmen are supposed to tag us at the end of the day after they have finished their own rounds. An example is a birthday card with a 1st class stamp posted in Birmingham on 5 July arrived mid afternoon on 11 July. Other mail which senders have assured us has been posted remains undelivered or arrives days later than we would have expected. It seems to me we are receiving a sub standard service compared to the rest of the village.

This morning I contacted the Royal Mail to put in a complaint which will be sent to a local manager.

The affected roads are: The Street, The Pines and all the roads leading off, The Pines, Strutt Close, Mortimer Road, and Arthy Close

The very helpful lady in the complaints department has issued a complaint number in case any other residents/businesses wish to complain in which case the complaint will then be handed to an area manager. If you telephone or write please quote reference 1-2228136471. Put Royal Mail complaints into Google and follow the links or telephone 08457 740 740 (it was not easy to find the number)

A concerned resident - name and address supplied.

Marie Curie Cancer Care tea party

Wendy Doe 01245 381276

The tea party held on 11th July was a great success and raised an amazing £540 for the charity. I would like to thank everyone who attended and a special thank you for all donations received. Roll on next year.

Dressed to kill

Hadfleda WI - Marel Elliston

If you walked into the village hall in June expecting to join our usual WI meeting, you were in for a surprise! Lots of very elegant ladies wearing smart outfits and various combinations of crowns and tiaras would have greeted you. The tables were laid up with white and blue table clothes, Union Jack serviettes and flags. An excellent buffet of assorted quiches, salads and new potatoes followed by a selection of sweets, including strawberries and cream, and all washed down with a glass of wine: Hadfleda celebrated the Queens Diamond Jubilee in style, and the members had a very jolly evening.

At our July meeting we were in for another treat. Our excellent speaker, Paula Short, entertained us with the life story of Coco Chanel, and what a fascinating life it was. From humble beginnings, through hard work and determination, she became a famous fashion designer and, of course, produced the perfume Chanel No 5.



A successful 'Afternoon Tea' was held on 11th July in Chris Mark's lovely garden. There were plenty of delicious cakes and sandwiches and the weather was fairly kind! A gardening quiz got the little grey cells working.

For our next meeting we are hoping to arrange a tour of the Chelmsford Records Office on 24th August; if anyone is interested please contact Anne Dickson. The competition letter is L.

We welcomed several visitors to our July meeting, so, if you haven't been before, why not join us in August? We are a friendly group and always happy to see new faces.

Nursery celebrates Queen's Diamond Jubilee

Thank you for the three delightful drawings on the right

This term has been a very busy one. The children have participated in celebrations for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and activities have included making crowns, cooking and icing cakes and finishing with a tea party. Children wore red, white and blue to nursery and raised £63 for the children's charity Brainwaves based in Witham.

The Olympic torch caused great excitement with children making and drawing torches and medals. They also participated in different sports activities.

Towards the end of term we took forty children, who will be leaving Nursery to go to school, to Adventure Lane in Colchester.

There are limited places in September: for availability please telephone 01245 382450.

Future of Toddler Group secured!

Liane Rowland, on behalf of Hatfield Peverel Toddlers

I am delighted to announce that we have secured the future of the group as we now have sufficient committee members to cover the essential roles.

Your Committee is

Liane Rowland, Chairperson
Sally Marks, Secretary
Toni Mason, Treasurer
Faye Treacy, Member
Fiona Figaro, Member

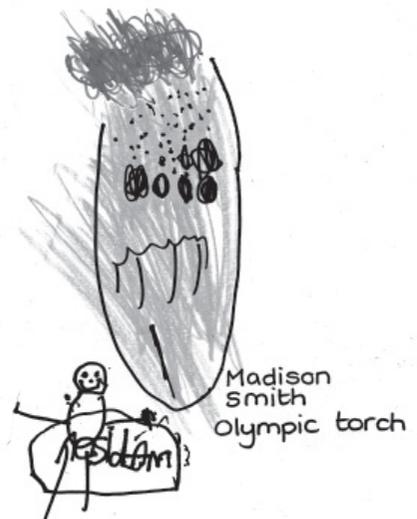
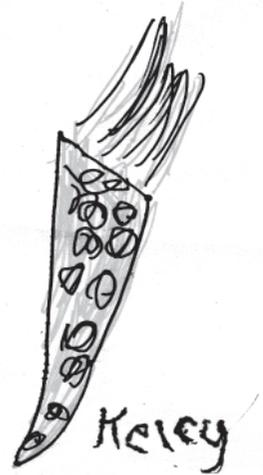
Please feel free to talk to us and to make suggestions to improve the group - we are volunteers not experts and can't do it without your continued support!

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the out-going committee on everyone's behalf. They have done a fantastic job in keeping this group going over the last 2-3 (4?!) years and making sure it has gone from strength to strength. We wish Steph, Sonia, Lou and Andrea and their children every success for their futures.

Finally, a few dates for your diaries

5th September - Toddler Group returns
26th September - photographer
10th October - Phoenix Cards
7th November (tbc) Chocoholics
5th December (tbc) - Christmas Party

Have a great summer break. Good luck to the children starting school, see you all in September!



From museums and the Mississippi to Maldon and Mateus Rosé!

Peverel Wine Club
Vee Green, Secretary
(01245 355723)



Wine Club members have enjoyed being out and about in Essex over the summer, getting plenty of exercise dodging between the raindrops! June's outing to the Museum of Power at Langford was, amazingly, a dry and pleasant evening. Those with a technical disposition enjoyed some impressive engines being put through their paces by the enthusiastic team of volunteers who looked after us on the evening. Those with a more poetic turn of mind enjoyed our picnic tea and a stroll around the beautiful grounds, one keen ornithologist being sure she could hear a nightingale! Many thanks to Bernard and Jean Prayell for organizing such an interesting and informative evening.

July was a different story – we were scheduled to celebrate a belated Independence Day on 11th July in the garden of John and Lindsey Glasman, but weather forecasts were rain, rain and more rain, accompanied by less than clement temperatures! The decision was taken to move back to the village hall, and we were able to settle down and enjoy an American supper contributed by members, sampling such Transatlantic delights as Virtually Virginia Ham, Waldorf salad, Pecan Pie and Brownies, washed down with Californian wines.

Everyone entered into the spirit of the evening with their clothes, mostly sporting combinations of stars, stripes and various shades of red, white and blue, but one or two ten gallon hats were on view, and Bob Hill was spotted wearing a very fetching pair of cowboy boots!

Fingers are already crossed for good weather on Wednesday 8th August when we meet down on the quayside in Maldon for a walking treasure hunt with clues devised by Sandra and Graham Bushby. We can't guarantee that there will be a brass band playing tiddley om pom pom at the end of an interesting stroll along the prom, prom,

prom, but we can be almost 100% certain that the evening will finish with supper in the Jolly Sailor!

Anyone thinking of coming along to a Wine Club meeting for the first time would find the perfect opportunity in September. We shall be marking the Club's 35th anniversary on Wednesday 12th September at 8pm in the village hall with a light-hearted and nostalgic look back at the sort of things we ate and drank in 1977! Come along with a retro-style bottle of wine (or possibly a bottle of Chianti you converted to a table lamp!) and join in the celebrations! Please give Vee a ring beforehand on 01245 355723 to confirm attendance plus start times etc.

Hatfield Peverel Walkers

Sandra Bushby (01245 38047)

The June walk, in the dry, took us around the old gravel extraction works starting from the village hall using the well marked footpaths to Letch's Corner, Gipsy Lane, past Willowmead Nursing Home, Latneys boarding kennels and back to the hall. The 4.5 mile walk was led by Chris Johnson and took around two hours. In July cars took us to Woodham Walter where Peter and Lesley Naish had organised a morning walk.

Sponsored family walk in August

The walk on Thursday 23rd August, 10am from the village hall, will be a sponsored 'Family Walk' to Papermill Lock, a refreshment break and return via the River Chelmer towpath and Nounsley to the hall. Hatfield Peverel Walkers are organising this walk in aid of Graham and Sandra Bushby's grandson who has cerebral palsy and needs an operation in America, costing £60,000, to enable him to walk and lead a more active life - more details can be found on www.findingfrasersfeet.co.uk The walk is about 5 miles, split into two roughly equal sections which allows for a refreshment break at Papermill Lock. Sponsorship forms will be available at focal points in the village or from Hollies, Maldon Road (next to the big blue building site) and more information can be obtained on 01245 380472 or sandraebushby@btinternet.com



1st Hatfield Peverel Scout Group

(For boys and girls 6-18 yrs)

Suzanne Evans, Group Secretary

(01245-382 397)

Annual General Meeting

Our AGM was a great success with awards, a film show, BBQ and drinks. Many thanks to everyone who supported the event by helping, attending, donating prizes and buying tickets for our fund- raising raffle and tombola. The prizes literally flew off the table and we raised £238 toward the refurbishment of the HQ. Awards were made to the following members



Beaver of the Year - Rafe Louis;

Cub of the Year - Samuel Lawn; **Most Improved Scout** - Christopher Cutner; **Family of the Year** - The Marshall Family If you missed this extremely enjoyable social event, make sure you're there next year.

Beavers celebrated the Diamond Jubilee with a street party and they dressed in red, white and blue (see photo top right). The children also enjoyed a sleepover at Cardfield's Education Centre where they experienced pond dipping, orienteering, brass rubbing, a blind trail and BMX biking. The weather was kind and a great time was had by all. A recent meeting was made particularly special by the arrival of construction equipment, kindly supplied by Nick Marshall of Relay Ltd. Everyone, including leaders, were very interested to learn about, and very keen to operate, the mini-digger!

Cubs held an Olympic-themed camp at Prances in Wickham Bishops. They experienced a 5 mile hike, an obstacle course, a water fight and enjoyed a campfire evening with another local group. The weather was mainly fine and the children returned home tired, but happy. Recent meetings have included ballistics (building a catapult using canes, a yogurt pot and elastic bands) athletics at the cricket ground, campfire cooking, tracking and an end-of-term water night.

Scouts and Explorers - during the Whitsun half-term holiday, thirteen Hatfield Peverel scouts travelled to Germany along with other Scouts from the Maldon and East Essex district. They stayed in a historic German castle and experienced a wonderful week of culture, abseiling, swimming and hiking. Many thanks to Tony Price for his organisation and for accompanying them. The Scouts and Explorers, along with the

Guides, held a fund-raising bag pack at a local supermarket; the fantastic amount raised toward the HQ refurbishment was £652.

In August, Scouts and Explorers will attend the Essex International Jamboree. Held every four years, this massive event allows youngsters from all over the country, and the world, to interact and learn about each others cultures. Photo shows Scouts and Explorers with the sub-camp gate they will be re-building at the Jamboree. (Photo left)



News from St Andrews

Last month I began by writing ‘I see brilliant sunshine and temperature in the mid-20s. Summer is on its way! With reckless abandon I have left my jacket behind and I might wash my jumper...’ That jumper did get washed but I was back in it almost before I emailed this to Ken and Jackie Earney. So I am not saying anything about the weather, beyond admiring how patient the children of our two schools were whilst being soaked waiting for the Olympic Torch and how wonderful was the evening celebration in the village playing field.



The Outdoor Service was entitled ‘Turn On the Tap!’ and was centred around the lack of access to clean water that afflicts a huge number of people in the world. Due to excessive water, it was indoors. This marks the start of a collection for WaterAid, a charity whose sole aim is to find and extract clean water for African villages by digging wells. Collecting tins have gone out (the plastic water bottles mentioned in the last Review) and will be returned and blessed at Harvest Festival on Sunday 9th September at the 10.15am service. Thanks to Mary Daw for putting together this service.

The Harvest for the Hungry has finished with about twelve boxes of lentils, rice and sugar collected. These will go off to Eastern Europe in the autumn.

‘Messy Church Olympics’ held at Crouchmans in July, will be reported in the next Review. Meanwhile the usual round of coffee mornings, Luncheon Club and ‘Soup and Sandwich’ have taken place and we always look forward to meeting old friends and making new ones at these events.

Here are a few dates for your diary

Saturday 4th August - coffee morning 10am to 12 noon in the church hall. Cakes, coffee, nearly new stall, books, raffle. Everyone welcome.

Saturday 1st September - coffee morning and toy sale (see separate advertisement). Please note that we are collecting **good as new toys NOW**.

Sunday 9th September - Harvest Festival and Thanksgiving for the work of WaterAid.

Please pray for: the residents of New Road, Nounsley Road, Nursery Drive, Old School Road, Orchard Close, Peverel Avenue, The Pines, Priory Close, Priory Farm Road, Priory Mews, Prospect Close.

Support for the homeless

Mother’s Union

15th May - We had an interesting talk by Helen Poulter from the Chelmsford branch of CHES - the Churches Homeless Emergency Support Scheme. The charity has been in existence for 25 years and the Chelmsford branch active since 1994, starting as a soup run to the street homeless and now providing emergency shelters and multiple-occupancy houses. CHES aims to (1) provide temporary accommodation for homeless adults; (2) meet their basic needs for sustenance and hygiene; (3) implement a plan for a more settled way of life and a sense of self worth and security, and (4) recognise the dignity and cultural individuality of those who use the



facilities offered. In Chelmsford the main shelter has eight beds in seven bedrooms with a further seventeen beds in four other properties in the City. Residents were originally allocated a room for about a month but in today’s economic climate this sometimes has to be extended to six months, as finding employment and helping them plan their way to independent living is much harder.

The shelter provides a cooked meal every morning before it closes for the day, and another when it opens for the night. During their stay residents are helped with various legal requirements by support workers - obtaining birth certificates, housing advice, benefits, CVs, applying for jobs, etc. They are expected to pay

approx. £3.50 per day from their benefit to help with accommodation costs, to keep their rooms clean and tidy and to keep appointments with health officials. Alcohol and drugs are strictly banned, and they are expected to take part in any learning or training activities which are agreed as being appropriate. There are Monday morning prayer meetings to emphasise the Christian ethos of CHES, and a weekly job club to help

people into work and maybe a new home. It is a sobering thought to realise that homelessness is no respecter of people or profession and, in these days of economic hardship, it is affecting more and more of us, and CHES exists alongside the local Authorities to offer help and support to anyone in trouble.

We were very grateful for Helen's talk which opened our eyes and gave us much to think about.

Methodist Church

This report is written in the midst of celebrations for the Olympic torch arrival in this village. At 7.30am on Friday 6th July, Maldon Road showed no signs of the imminent arrival of this event but within the hour paths were filled with people of all ages from babies in prams to elderly in wheelchairs. Everyone was excited to see the torch being carried through our own roads as it continued its journey through Great Britain. Despite the rain everyone enjoyed the occasion. Well done to the village organising committee, which included two of our church members, who organised a day's activity in the village hall and the recreation ground.

Our Olympic theme continued with the service on the following Sunday when our preacher for the day, Esther Hume, spoke about the work of Action for Children, the Methodist based charity which supports and speaks out for the UK's most vulnerable and neglected children and young people, on their life's journey. She spoke emotionally of her own granddaughter, Chloe Bond, who had been nominated to carry the Olympic torch in recognition of her work with young people. Chloe had been interviewed for TV and said the torch she was carrying was the light of God which was shining around the world. Chloe has just finished her degree in Social care and will now begin working professionally in that area. We wish her success. We sang: -

We are pilgrims on a journey
and companions on the road:
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

We extend a warm welcome to our Church to everyone who is seeking to find God's presence in their life.

Special events

23rd September 11am - Harvest service led by Rev Peter Cutmore followed by lunch

Regular events

Every Sunday 11am - Morning Service
- everyone welcome

Every Thursday 10am-12 noon - Open Door
- come and join us for tea/coffee and friendly chat

2nd Saturday in month 10am-12 noon -
coffee morning and cake stall

1st Monday in month 7.30pm - House Group

Coffee Morning & Toy Sale



Saturday 1st September

The Church Hall
from
10.15am

*We are collecting **Good As New** toys
during July & August*

*Please leave them in the Church Baptistry,
The Vicarage or 5 Gardenfield*





Not cricketing weather!

Adrian Bird, secretary

Inevitably, the weather has dominated proceedings at the club so far this season, although as I write I can see a large yellow object in the sky that I've reported to the authorities for investigation!

Despite losing many matches and practice sessions to the elements the colts section is in rude health with undiminished enthusiasm from the boys and girls of all age groups.

In senior cricket the First XI, playing in the T Rippon Premier League (see photo), is well positioned towards the top of the table to mount a challenge for the title in the final six matches. The Second XI has struggled a little but in the exalted company of League 2 many players are gaining invaluable experience that will benefit next season. The Sunday team enjoy good cricket with emphasis on the social aspect and they continue to forge reciprocal relationships with surrounding clubs.

Last, but not least, the Twenty20 team reached finals day on Sunday 29th July, hosted again by HPCC, where they hope to have won the trophy.

Anybody interest in joining as a player or social member should contact Mark Norton on 07966 264307.

Don't let the weather beat you!

Bowling Club - Bob Gammie, President (381497)

Oh dear, what an exceptional season weather-wise! While several games have been rained off, we have struggled against the elements in others and rarely have we had a sunny finish. Despite this our results have been good. In the Central Midweek League at the half way stage we fluctuate between third and fourth, and in the Knock Out Shield we are doing well and are through to the semi finals. We have won many more games than we have lost in our friendly games and in the Chelmer Ladies League our ladies are a creditable third in the table. It is early days in the pairs and singles competitions but no doubt there will be some upsets before finals day on 18th September.

In our annual President versus Captain match it was no doubt the President's displeasure to present the trophy to the Captain who had won overall by two shots! There followed the usual strawberry tea and despite doubts, the strawberries were tastefully ripe and not watery. The club is grateful to Denise Brazier and Ron Jarvis together with the helpers who made the day a success. It is traditional for the proceeds of the raffle to be donated to a charity nominated by the President and this is preferred to be a local good cause. This year it is with pleasure that a cheque for £125 has been sent to the Helen Rollason Cancer charity to go specifically towards the refurbishment of Mary Stewart House in the village.

The bowling green is playing exceptionally well, no doubt due to the efforts of the working parties, but we are anxiously waiting to see the amount of moss the adverse weather will generate.

On the short mats considerably more friendlies have been won rather than lost and the internal leagues and cup competitions continue towards the summer finals night on 20th October.

Do come and join us, our website <http://hatfieldpeverelbowling.website.orange.co.uk> shows what we are about, and initial coaching will be given.



*The First XI's Jason Fox hits out against Great Totham.
Essex Chronicle Series photo*

Useful telephone numbers

Please contact the editors for additions/errors.

Age Concern Essex	01245 264499
Anglian Water, 24 hours	0800 919 155
Braintree District Council	01376 552525
Witham Area Office	01376 519625

Churches

St Andrew's (C of E), vicar	01245 380958
Methodist Church, minister	01621 853423
Salvation Army, officer i/c	01245 381897
Catholic Church, Witham, priest	01376 512219

Citizens Advice Bureau Witham	0844 4994719
Drop-in sessions Mon/Tue/Thur/Fri 10am-1pm	
Appointments only Thurs afternoon 1-4pm	

Doctors, health services

Hatfield Peverel doctors' surgery	01245 380324
Boreham doctors' surgery	01245 467364
NHS Direct	0845 4647
Pharmacy, Hadfelda Square	01245 380130

Electricity - emergency	0800 7838838
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Essex County Council	01245 492211
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Essex & Suffolk Water 24 hours	0845 7820999
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First Essex Buses Ltd	01245 293400
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Gas - emergency	0800 111999
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Harlequin Children's Centre	01376 535270
Free support and services for children under 5	

Hospitals

Broomfield (A&E); St John's,	0124 5443673
St Peter's	

Libraries

Hatfield Peverel	01245 380988
Witham	01376 519625

Police, non-emergency calls	0300 3334444
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Local Officer PC Jason Corrigan	07791 402133
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Post Office	01245 380201
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Railway Information

National Express East Anglia	0845 6007245
National Rail Enquiries (24 hrs)	08457 484950

Registrar of Births, Marriages & Deaths

Witham, by appointment only	01376 323463
Braintree, by appointment only	01376 320762

Relate	01245 258680
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Samaritans (24 hours - toll free)	08457 909090
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Schools

St Andrew's Junior School	01245 380131
Hatfield Peverel Infant School	01245 380220
Hatfield Peverel Day Nursery	01245 382450
Acorn Childcare	07979 851257

Social Services	0845 6037630
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Village Agent Sally Austin	0800 9775858
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Village Hall (after 7pm)	01245 381481
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Let us know of useful services to add to this list

Hatfield Peverel Parish Council

Councillors and their working parties

Lisa Miller, Parish Clerk	01245 344439
clerk.hatfieldpeverelpc@blueyonder.co.uk	

David Broddle, Chairman	01245 382829
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Graham Bushby, Traffic	01245 380472
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Peter Endersby, Env (chair)	01245 381919
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Colin Giffin, Planning (chair)	01621 892351
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Elise Gwyn-Williams	01245 382883
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John Hannah, Traffic (chair)	01245 381874
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Bernard Heard, Vice Chairman	01245 380370
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Alan Ingram, Environment	01245 381880
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Ted Munt, Environment	01245 381135
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Eugene Murphy	01245 380113
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Alan Steele	07739 398453
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Diane Wallace	01245 381485
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After-eight Social Club

For information call Mike on 01621 856219 or visit www.aftereightsocialclub.co.uk

We welcome new faces any time - give us a ring or look on our website.

Dates for your diary

8th September - Quiz Night Langford village hall

15th September - trip to Hever Castle

22nd September - disco Hatfield Peverel village hall

6th October - meal at The Bell, Rettenden

13th October - Quiz Night at Langford village hall

27th October - live band 'Abbey Rogues' Maldon Football Club

Volunteers for Willowmead - can you help?

Linda Carlyon - Activities Organiser

mobile phone 07795 964194

email lindikins66@btinternet.com

I would like to compile a list of people for helping when we go out on visits, pushing wheelchairs - that sort of thing. If you are interested, please give me a ring on the number or email address above

A busy summer in Hatfield Peverel

Heather Baldwin - 08456 80 20 47

heather.baldwin@helenrollason.org.uk

We have a busy calendar of events this summer - no two weeks are the same for Helen Rollason Cancer Charity's fund-raising team! Current economic problems are making 2012 a difficult year and we are very grateful to our local supporters.

Our Vintage Fayre at Cressing was a big success. The bad weather has not been kind to many outdoor events and so we were delighted that the sun came out and 2,500 people joined us, raising £11,000.

We met local MP Priti Patel in June. Priti had kindly agreed to have her portrait painted by artist James Wilkinson as part his 'Back to Black' exhibition to raise money for us. Priti visited James' studio and was very impressed with her portrait, saying, 'The exhibition is a brilliant, eye-catching creative initiative. I feel privileged to be part of it and to help raise money for Helen Rollason Cancer Charity.' The evening of art and live music raised £3,750.

We were delighted to be part of the Olympic torch celebrations at the Party in the Park on 6th July. We had a stall and local torch bearer Graham Lindsay kindly posed for photographs to raise money. Thank you to the event organisers for inviting us to take part and for the generous donation of over £1,000. Thank you too to the Hatfield Peverel Fund-raising Group which has now raised over £2,500. In July, they held a film night showing 'The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel' with all profits going to the charity, raising £550.

Fun Day, Sunday 26th August

We received a generous donation of £283 from Cliff Cochrane and friends at The Wheatsheaf pub. On Sunday 26 August, The Wheatsheaf is holding a Fun Day from 2-8pm. There will be a barbecue, mini beer festival and stalls plus games and a raffle providing fun for all of the family!

Village market, Monday 27th August

Hatfield Peverel fundraisers next event is a village market which will be held from 10am to 1pm at St Andrews Church hall and grounds on Monday 27th August. If anybody would like to take part - selling items like crafts, plant cuttings and garden produce - or donate items to be sold, please contact Lindsey Glasman on 01245 380682 or Kay Coombes on 01245 381342.

Stitching for charity

Mary Harrowell, 01245 381589

Local sewing group Peverel Quilters will be joining the Horticultural Society at their Autumn Show in the village hall on Saturday 29th September, 2pm - 5pm. We will be in meeting room 1 with a display of our



patchwork and quilting, and have a selection of hand made items for sale with all proceeds to be

Please remember...

Your local library in the village is open every Wednesday morning from 9am - 1pm