# Hatfield Peverel Review 249 - August 2015



Summer cricket in the village - a photo by Meloney Dale entered in the 'Cherished countryside views' competition at the Party in the Park event on the 11th July



# Local events and happenings round and about

# **Hatfield Peverel Review**

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# **Diary Dates**

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#### August

- 1 St Andrews coffee morning 10am
- 8 Methodist Church coffee morning 10am
- 12 Wine Club walking treasure hunt
- 14 Beeleigh Abbey gardens open, see page 16
- 15 Helen Rollason coffee morning 10am
- 22 Salvation Army coffee morning 10am
- 27 Hatfield Peverel Walkers
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#### September

- 2 Flower Club
- 5 St Andrews coffee morning 10am
- 6 Cressing Village Fayre
- 7 Parish Council meeting, village hall 7.30pm
- 9 Wine Club
- 10 Folk Dance Club
- 12 Horticultural Society plant sale at Tudor Lodge 10am - 12 noon
- 12 Methodist Church coffee morning 10am
- 19 Helen Rollason coffee morning 10am
- 24 Folk Dance Club
- 26 Salvation Army coffee morning 10am
- 29 WEA Autumn course begins, see page 17

#### October

- 3 St Andrew coffee morning 10am
- 5 Parish Council meeting, village hall
- 8 Folk Dance Club
- 10 Methodist Churh coffee morning

# There's two sides to every story

I agree that Essex is one of the driest places in this country of ours - and I could say that my garden is the driest - I say 'my' because apart from mowing the lawns and cutting the edges (very well) and emptying the barrow of my bits, he who must be obeyed will be most annoyed to hear this, he doesn't love and care for the plants (let water never pass their petals is his motto) except for the herbs of which he is particularly fond (thyme), as I do. Once he's behind the mower this usually mild tempered man gets aggresive especially with those plants that dare to raise their heads onto his lawn. They suffer, and I find them afterwards - I always go round to check - with their stems broken and twisted. Is he sorry? He believes they get in his way on purpose.

But there we are, we should at this moment be on our way to our regular music festival WOMAD in rural Wiltshire but this August Review - when we do get it out will be the earliest it has been in its history - has gone on rather. Holes in pages have to be fixed and the copy is either too long or too short. Sorry if you have been left out or 'cropped'.

There are good things in this Review, particluarly the Party in the Park, for which the sun shone (but not too hot), and its many attractions. Lovely to see so many young people and their children enjoying themselves, the stalls run by various clubs and groups, the tug of war, and the wonderful selection of photographs taken by so many of you for the 'cherished countryside views' competition run by the NDP on display in the village hall.

Every cloud has a silver lining and it hopefully it'll soon be raining!

# Lord Rayleigh's Farms closure of farm road beside railway

Lord Rayleigh's Farms have recently found it necessary to close off access to the concrete farm track beside the railway from the back of Railway Cottages up to the bridge over the railway by Dancing Dick's Wood.

This was never a public right of way, but LRF has tacitly allowed residents behaving responsibly to walk it for many years as an unofficial permissive path. Now a few individuals who have ridden motorbikes on the track, and others who have adopted an aggressive attitude when challenged by the farmer have resulted in the move by LRF.

A pity, a few spoiling it for the many.

# He who must be obeyed...

...(see above) utterly refutes this vile calumny. Only those plants that seriously overhang the lawn - obviously they're getting to the end of their alloted span - will regretably suffer under the blade of the mower. It's not personal!

# Apologies...

...to David Bebb for not following up on the information he supplied about the results of the District Council election.

David was re-elected as one of our District Councillors, the other, newly elected, being Daryn Hufton-Rees, who succeeds Derrick Louis. Derrick remains a County Councillor.

The list of councillors on page 19 has been duly amended

# **Rotting food in litter bins**

Emptying litter bins is not the most pleasant of tasks but when people deposit meat and the like into these bins, even though well wrapped, the food goes off in the hot weather, the smell can be very offensive and blow flies breed.

We have a food collection every Thursday: if you have anything to throw away, keep it in your fridge or freezer until collection day, wrap it in paper and put it into the green food bin. It will make the lives of our litter pickers, who do a good job, that much better,

## Annual best allotment competition Allotment and growing news Sean Pettit HPAA Chairman. 01621 851929, www.hpaa.org.uk

We recently held our Best Allotment of the Year competition on the 4th of July: there was a great attendance and quite a close run event, but the honours went to Pete and Steph Gammons again this year, so well done to the pair of them!

Last year was the first time we had a special prize for the best new comers, one winner for each of the allotment sites, and this was judged by the two letting officers, John Cockell for the old site and Drew Price for the new site. Winners for the old site were Charlotte and Richard Fenwick, and for the new site Andy Dumore and the boys. Well done and keep up the amazing work you have already done this year.

More information can be found on our web site regarding the competition, so anyone interested head over and have a look, you will find information on growing and cooking too!

Harvesting going well! Despite the very dry summer so far I have had amazing raspberries and strawberries, with many pots of jam made. Been busy digging potatoes over the last couple of weeks, they started out very poor but have picked up and are now doing well. Also tomatoes have started to ripen, picked my first bunch today, and look forward to many more. All in all this year is shaping up to be a bumper one.

#### **Dengie 100 and Maldon Bee Keepers**

Following on from the last article regarding bees, we invited the Dengie 100 & Maldon Bee Keepers to give a talk on bee keeping, which was a huge hit with many of our members. Darren and Carly bought with them an observation hive and gave a really interesting and informative talk on bee keeping and the honey bee. I for one learnt a great deal, so a big thank you to Carly and Darren.

#### Party in the Park

We also attended the Party in the Park and had a stall which was well received and great fun to chat to gardeners from all walks of life. We had a raffle that raised over £100 for the Allotment Association, and I would like to thank Perrywoods for their kind donation and to all that purchased raffle tickets.

Happy growing to all!

# The Horticultural Society has a new website...

It is www.essexinfo.net/hatpevgardens/ The old site is no longer online.

#### And now to other things

I'm sure you will all agree that once again Clive and his wife Janet (don't forget, it is still true that behind every good man there is good woman) gave us a holiday to remember on the five day visit to Lincolnshire this year. Slightly fewer of us this time - Ken was alone on the back seat (seats), more chance to read the paper between gardens.

Kenwick Park Hotel at Louth was excellent with a wonderful view of a very fine golf course.

En-route we visited Geoff Hamilton's Barnsdale garden in Rutland. Other highlights included Joseph Banks tribute garden (a voyager with James Cook aboard the Endeavour) in Horncastle followed by a lunchtime cruise on the River Witham aboard the Boston Belle. Ken's hat blew overboard but wasn't the food wonderful!

We came home heavier round the waste but light on the plants!

**Plant sale/coffee morning** at Tudor Lodge, the Street, Saturday 12th September 10am to 12 noon.

Weighing the potatoes - September is the time those who entered the annual competition get their crops weighed. Start feeding them now.

# Vintage fun for all the family

**Love all things vintage?** Be transported back to a bygone era as Helen Rollason Cancer Charity's (HRCC) annual Vintage Fayre returns to Cressing Temple Barns on Sunday 6th September between 10am and 5pm. The event includes something for everyone

The Kingsmen will perform with music from the fifties; DJ Rockabilly will also perform and dance group A2 Jive will wow the crowds with their distinctive 1940s style. Adding a British flavour will be the Chelmsford Morris Men.



For children there are Punch and Judy shows, donkey rides, swing boats and face painting. And you can get your hair styled courtesy of the Juggling Jules hair salon. There are stalls selling vintage clothing, crafts, jewellery, collectables, upcycled items, accessories and food including a pop-up vintage tea-shop.

Admission adults £5, concessions £4 and under 16s free. There is ample free parking but no dogs (other than guide dogs) are allowed on site to comply with Essex County Council regulations.

Embracing the best of yesteryear... Step back in time for a great day out

Vintage Fayre

Sunday 6 September 2015

Cressing Temple Barns, Witham Road Cressing Near Braintree CM77 8PD

Call 01245 380719 for more details

www.helenrollason.org.uk

# Summer reading challenge

The theme of this year's reading challenge in our library is 'Record Breakers'. In the three to twelve age group between now and 5th September children will have six books to read and will talk to library staff about them. For the over-tens the subject is 'Imagination Challenge' where young people will read two books, write stories and keep a diary about what they have read.

#### Library opening hours are



The administrative offices of HRCC are based in our village of Hatfield Peverel and we are delighted to support their **coffee mornings in the old bank buildings in The Street on the third Thursday of the month**, as well as **quiz nights sponsored by The Wheatsheaf on the second Monday of each month.** 

If you would like to help with the vintage fayre, volunteers are wanted to help before or during the event. If you have a spare couple of hours please contact the Fund-raising Team on 01245 380719 or email fundraising@helenrollason.org.uk

#### The Danbury Society

## 43rd Annual Art Exhibition 2015

Danbury Sports & Social Centre Main Road, Danbury, CM3 4NQ

#### Displays of paintings by Essex artists

Friday 28th August 12.00 - 20.00 Saturday 29th August 10.00 - 18.00 Sunday 30th August 10.00 - 17.00

Refreshments available on site www.danburysociety.org.uk

# **Parish Council news**

Lisa Miller, Clerk to the Parish Council, Chestnut House, Church Road, West Hanningfield, Chelmsford, Essex CM2 8UJ. Tel 01245 403071 Email: parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.co.uk

## Vacancies on the Council

Following an uncontested election, the Parish Council currently has several vacancies. For anyone interested in local issues and has a few spare moments each month, please contact the Clerk on the above.



**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

Outline planning application for the development of up to 163 homes and creation of new publicly accessible open space (all matters reserved) on land south east of the Lion Inn, Main Road, Boreham. Demolition of existing garage and single storey rear extensions and erection of side extension incorporating internal garage. Adapt existing roof to incorporate new pitched roof to side extension and new dormers to front and rear of main roof to serve new bedroom accommodation in roof space at St Andrews, Ulting Road;. proposed new entrance gates to front and rear at Rainbirds, Paper Mill Bridge, Hatfield Peverel; erection of single storey rear/side extension at 21 Woodham Drive.

## The following application has been approved by the District Council

Change of use from day nursery to offices at 3 Wheelwrights Yard, The Street.

## The following application has been refused by the District Council

Partial demolition of existing rear extension and erection of part single and two storey extension to the rear of the property at Dagmar, Nounsley Road.

Tree Preservation Order refused - work to trees at 107 Church Road.

## Dog Mess

The Parish Council has received many complaints recently about dog mess around the village particularly on The Strutt Memorial recreation ground. A gentle reminder that it is the responsibility of the dog owner to clear up their dogs mess and carries a fine of up to £1000 if not adhered to. We have been in contact with the Dog Warden at Braintree District Council who has agreed to make regular visits to the site in order to crack down on this problem. If the problem persists, the Parish Council may have to consider introducing a 'Dogs on leash only' control on the recreation ground.

**Website** - don't forget you can view all Parish Council news on its new website which can be found at: http://www.essex.info.net/hatfieldpeverel/

**Parish Council meetings** - village hall 7.30pm on the first Monday of the month unless otherwise stated. **7th September, 5th October, but note that there is no August meeting.** 

# **Baby scan photos**

Ultra-sound scan baby photos taken at St Johns hospital in January 2008 were found in a book bought at the Beavers book sale in April. If you left them in the book and want to have them back please call Jackie or Ken on 01245 381235.

## Who's who in photos opposite From the top

The Pink Ladies, Teresa Weale, Emma Cook and Lorraine Chipperfield, and back Ian Jordan; WI tea ladies Hilary, Virgina, Margaret and Marel; Andy from Warescot Farm; Community Association tug of war team

## Party in the Park an outstanding success Mark Weale Party in Park Chairman

#### Saturday 11th July 2015

Well, it was the fourth Party in the Park event, and what a glorious day. The sun shone and it was very well attended.

We had some fabulous stalls and great entertainers. The theme was Grease, and many thanks to the American cars for being there which made it even more special, and to the working party for taking the time to dress up as they had more than enough to do!

The afternoon kicked of with the Dunmow Wind Band, followed by a tug of war tournament won by The Wheatsheaf. Well done lads.

The bands and singers included Half a Whopper with Ian Jordan, Lara George, Natasha Corringham, and the Cobwebs who kept us entertained, and to end the evening the popular band Loaded Dice. Also, performing in the hall Hadfelda Ladies Choir and Naomi Cockrill.

There are so many people to thank for giving up their time for free. I cannot name you all but thank you from the bottom of my heart for making it such a well organised and successful day to put on an event for the local community.







Hope you all enjoyed it and looking forward to next year. Don't forget, if you want join the committee or just help out on the day then please contact me by email -Herbertweale@aol.com

Thank you to Diane Wallace for an excellent selection of photographs to give you a taste of a most successful day. For who's who see page 6

## **Tuesday Tots party** Major John Turner

When the Salvation Army opened its doors to mums and tots after Easter of this year, no one expected the joy and happiness this would bring into the hall on Maldon Road. Since that first Tuesday, on average twenty five children have come with mothers, grandmothers or carers to enjoy playing together. Whilst the children played, mums made new friends as they talked together and exchanged phone numbers. At the conclusion of the end of term party, each child



received a goody bag filled with small gifts.Families and staff are all looking forward to meeting up again on Tuesday 8th September.

# Action needed on speeding traffic

A letter from Susie Blythe concerned about the traffic problem in our village

Speeding traffic through the village is an ongoing, and increasing problem - The Street, Church Road and Maldon Road in particular. The Street has some calming throughout the day with parked cars and volume of traffic, and Church Road has a sharp bend and a narrow stretch of road that forces most, but not all I know, cars to slow down, but Maldon Road seems to be the highway to heaven for some - no parked cars, and a lovely long straight and wide stretch of road and off they go, cars, motorbikes and lorries hurtling along throughout the day, every day, late at night and early morning at speeds that make your eyes water.

So what to do? The village has Speedwatch, a band of volunteers that monitor speeds from time to time, but I am informed by one of the Parish Councillors who champions this as the best option that Speedwatch has no powers to prosecute, and further, they have to wear high visibility coats which ensures every motorist slows down before their speed is noted, and they are not allowed to monitor speeds after dark because of Health and Safety! And we also have the smiley and no smiley face signs that tell you that you have exceeded the speed limit when you have already exceeded the speed limit.

I have suggested on the Facebook page 'Hatfield Peverel Community Hub' that the village needs more 30 mph signs. Currently there are none, aside from the ones when you first approach the village and one of those is currently obscured by an overhanging tree bough, and crucially, speed cameras along the Maldon Road .....one each side of the road perhaps somewhere between the zebra crossing and The Wheatsheaf. I believe this is the only way to stop the high speeds along that road, they are 'official', they'll hit your pocket, they are always there and there's no escape from them!

A councillor has advised that a campaign would be the only route to get this actioned, as the Parish Council doesn't have much 'clout' with highway matters. I am going to attend the next meeting at the village hall (Monday 7th September at 7.30) to try and get the ball rolling. If you are interested in supporting this, please come along?

## **Girlguiding** Julie Down, Rainbow Leader

#### Rainbows

This has been a busy half term for Rainbows. Our meetings have been full of energy and excitement! We made bird feeders from pine cones, smothered in peanut butter and rolled in wild bird food. String was attached to them and Rainbows took them home to hang out for the birds.

We had a First Aid Instructor talk about getting help in an emergency, how to treat nose bleeds and other minor bleeding and how to use the resuscitation dolls. Rainbows learnt so much. We made teddy parachutes at our teddy evening and tried them out. We had a vote about each of the cuddly teddies - 'best dressed' etc. We also planted sunflower seeds for a competition to see who can grow the tallest sunflower. Rainbows need to take photos and measurements and keep a diary of the sunflower.

For our last week, we held a family picnic where Rainbows came with their families in onesies and pyjamas to enjoy a campfire singalong! Thank you to our Leaders who make Rainbows such fun and the continued support of our parents.

**Brownies** completed their Out and About badge. We drew maps, followed a route, packed a day bag and went on a Penny hike around the village. On our way, we learnt about Road Safety, the Country Code and how to keep ourselves safe. We have enjoyed being outside for a fitness evening and a very wet water challenge evening (see photo). We finished with a Teddy Bears picnic during which five new Brownies were enrolled and two older Brownies 'jumped out' to Guides (see photo).

**Guides** have had a busy summer term. There has been outdoor cooking, a campfire with older Brownies, pioneering at Prances campsite in Wickham Bishops and a camp on Mersey Island with other County guides. Our Guide unit is celebrating 70 years since its registration this year - some of you will remember there were Guides in the village before and during the war, but sadly their registration is lost. As part of our celebrations, we had a photography competition and a party with cake! Always a good combination! The





photography competition was part of the GENE Radio Challenge Badge. To complete this badge, the girls have interviewed each other, recorded sounds to produce radio plays, made personal profiles, videoed their own 'news reports' (giraffe escapes from London Zoo!), made photo story boards and much more.

Hatfield Peverel Girlguiding Leaders and some parents helped at the recent working party for some DIY, gardening etc, at the Scout and Guide HQ. Thank you to those who helped!

At Party in the Park, leaders and volunteers held a hot-dog and burger stall and Tombola stall which included lucky dip and other items (see photo). This was successful and extremely busy! Money raised goes towards the upkeep of the Scout and Guide HQ. Thank you to all who helped make this successful.

## **Cherished Countryside Views** Hatfield Peverel Parish photograph competition

Thank you to everyone who submitted entries to our competition: it raised plenty of comments and will add evidence for our Neighbourhood Development Plan that the areas we value most should be preserved.

Seventy four photographs were entered by villagers and in total 309 votes were cast by the public at Party in the Park 11th July 2015. The top three individual photos were: 1 Sportsmans Lane in the winter snow (Carol Allen) – 29 votes; 2 Footpath bridge over the River Ter, near Gregorys Cottage (Kevin Dale) – 16 votes; 3 Horse grazing on Church Road looking towards Baddow ridge (Irene McIlroy) – 14 votes.

The Cherished Countryside views were grouped into 14 classes. \* 1st place: (45 votes) Scout HQ and cricket ground, footpaths, land and views beyond, Vicky Button, Meloney Dale, Belinda Hunt, Irene McIlroy (class winner).

\* 2nd place: (43 votes) Sportsmans Lane, Carol Allen (class winner), Vicky Button, Meloney Dale, Sean Osborne.

\* 3rd place: (30 votes) Nounsley Ford (HATF 322), Vicky Button, Kevin Dale, Meloney Dale, Stella Scrivener (class winner), Joe Quieros.

\* 4th place: (29 votes) view from Upson's Farm Shop footpath, looking southwest to Baddow Ridge (HATF 318), Meloney Dale (class winner), Irene McIlroy, Stella Scrivener.

\* 5th place: (28 votes) Badgers Oak – Paigle Meadow (HATF 320 - 322), Vicky Button, Meloney Dale, Claire Harris (class winner).

\* 6th place: (26 votes) The River Ter, Vicky Button, Kevin Dale (class winner), Meloney Dale.

\* 7th place: (22 votes) Crabbs Hill - Stonepath Drive and land behind the William B (HATF 314), Jodi Singfield, Melononey Dale (class winner).

\* 8th place: (20 votes) area between Wickham Bishops Road.and Spring Lane - area designated for Country Park (east of HATF 321), Diane Wallace (class winner).

\* 9th place: (19 votes) Manor Road. – Peverel Avenue area of Nounsley (HATF 514 - 515), Ian May, Sean Osborne, Stella Scrivener (class winner).

\* 10th place: (16 votes) birds, animals and grazing livestock, Belinda Brett, Meloney Dale, Diane Wallace (class winner) and Joe Quieros.

\* 11th place: (10 votes) Ulting Road (from Upson's Farm to southern edge of the Parish., Stella Scrivener (class winner).

\* 12th place: (8 votes) The Vinyards (HATF 311 & 312) and views towards Terling Hall estat, Chris Johnson and Jodi Singfield (class winner).

\* joint 12th place: (8 votes) general views around Nounsley, Kevin Dale (class winner), Ian May, Stella Scrivener.

\* 14th place: (5 votes) St. Andrews Church, Meloney Dale (class winner), Jodi Springfield.







# It's been good meeting

## you

Neighbourhood Development Plan Progress to date

The Topic Groups under the Steering Group have all been busy the last couple of months gathering evidence in



relation to housing, the environment, economy and facilities and infrastructure.

The Engagement Team have also been busy visiting clubs and events with the NDP Exhibition. They started with the Quiz Night, then the Mother and Tots Club, Every Members Club, Flower Club, Thomson Day, St Andrews Garden Fete, and Party in the Park. The team enjoyed spending time with you, and would thank you all again for your hospitality.

These visits enable the team to speak to as many residents as possible, and to gather their views and comments.

Also, prior to the plan going out to referendum the whole community will have been made aware of the same, and of the policies formed from the evidence now being gathered for the village over the next twenty years.

The next survey will be delivered in October with the Review and it is important to complete and return this.

The team will be looking for volunteers to personally collect the survey in October. We hope you will be able to help. Please do email hatfield peverelplan@gmail.com or ring Diane 381485 or Les 380404.

The Quiz Night held on the 12th June was an enjoyable evening, and our thanks go to the Community Association, Cricket Club, Graham Bushby, John and Ann Cockell, and Mark Weale for all their help. £180 was raised which was donated to the Cricket Club.

At Party in the Park on the 11th July, Kevin Dale organised and held a photo competition of Cherished Countryside Views. Thank you to everyone who entered the competition. See results, with photographs, on pages 10 and 11.

If you have not already completed the Survey Monkey on the Vision and Objectives, there is still time to do this, please go to http://svy. mk/1Gz3sXh

We now have a welcome pack for new members. If you are interested in joining the Steering Group then please do get in touch or just come along to the next meeting.

An Exhibition Event is planned for the 18th August. All developers and landowners have been invited to attend to present their proposals for the various sites put forward to BDC in the call for sites. This will be an opportunity for the community to view and discuss directly with the people concerned.

#### **Diary Dates**

15th August - RCCE coffee morning 10am to 12 noon at Feering

18th August - NDP Exhibition Event for developers/landowners at village hall 4pm to 8pm

19th August - 6th Steering Group meeting - meeting room 2 at 7.30pm

26th August - NDP Exhibition at WI meeting in the village hall at 7.30pm

30<sup>th</sup> August - NDP Exhibition at Essex Dog Day at Crix

9<sup>th</sup> September - NDP Exhibition at Wine Club meeting village hall

29<sup>th</sup> September - 7th Steering Group meeting – meeting room 2 at 7.30pm

# Fun run raises £2,075

Congratulations to St Andrew's Junior School children who, before Easter, took part in a sponsored fun run and raised an incredible £2,075.

The children chose to split this between the international Ebola appeal and improvements in the playground.

Well done everyone!

# 3,000 Essex Cubs enjoy Skreens Park

1st Hatfield Peverel Scout Group Group Secretary Suzanne Evans (01245 382397)

## Mega Cubs

In excess of 3,000 Cubs from all over Essex enjoyed Mega Camp at Skreens Park in Roxwell. Our Cub Pack attended the event for first time and had a brilliant experience - meeting children from other districts and taking part in some fabulous activities. The icing on the cake was a weekend of great weather! Back in Hatfield Peverel, the Cubs spent two evenings at the



village cricket ground, working towards their Athletic Activity Badge. Many thanks to HP Cricket Club for allowing the use of their facilities. A walking quiz around the village, concluding with supper at our local fish and chip shop, was enjoyed by all.

## **Chief Scout Awards**

The Essex County Chief Scout Awards Ceremony was held in June at Skreen's Park in Roxwell. Richard Baker, County Commissioner, presented the awards and congratulated the youngsters on their achievements. Many thanks to our own Asst Beaver Leader, Gillian McNally, who co-ordinated, not only the attendees from the 1st Hatfield Peverel Scout Group, but those from the whole of the Maldon and East Essex District as well. (see photograph).

## An enjoyable evening...

Our annual BBQ and social evening was well attended and everyone enjoyed burgers and hot-dogs expertly cooked by the Explorers. To add to the fun, we held a fund-raising raffle and tombola, which were both a great success. Many thanks to local businesses, parents, grandparents and friends who kindly donated prizes. The evening commenced with our AGM, which was attended by Ann Dukes, Assistant Deputy Commissioner of the Maldon and East Essex District, of which we are part. Ann gave a speech and congratulated us on our achievements during the past year. The following awards were presented: Beaver of the year - Zachary Hale; Bob Boyden Cub of the year - Daniel Gowers; Tom Upson award for the most improved Scout - Sophie Shields.

## **Useful Contacts**

**Website:** www.hpscouts.org.uk; HQ Bookings: Louise Ware, 01245-381753; Membership enquiries: Michelle Spicer, hpscoutgroup@gmail.com, 01245-380630; Monthly newspaper collection: Jonathan Dormon, 01245 - 382981, jonathan.dormon@btinternet.com; Secretary: Suzanne Evans, 01245-382397, boons\_calibre\_travel@lineone.net

# Cardboard cartons in the Scouts paper skip

Many thanks to folk who have taken notice of the item appearing in the last issue of the Review regarding the need to flatten your cardboard cartons when depositing them in the paper skip in Church Road. A number of people may not receive the Review and are therefore still depositing unflattened cardboard items. This means the skip is flowing over at the doors and when they are opened everything falls out.

Please, if anyone knows who this is, have a polite word with him or her. Your help is greatly appreciated.

# **News from St Andrews**

S ummer is here. The Vicarage lawn feels hard enough to take all the rush-hour traffic on the A12 without fear of damage to it! I ate my first blackberry a few days ago and it was sweet and juicy, despite the lack of rain.

We have now finished the accounts for the Summer Fete and it looks like we took in about £860. A big thank you to everyone who



contributed so generously, both in time and resources. Our Outdoor Service in July was actually indoors due to rain. Mike Wigley led fifty of us on his guitar and we learnt about valuing God's creation.

#### What is happening over the next month or two

Coffee mornings: Monday 10th August	<ul><li>These continue on the first Saturday of the month as usual, 10am to midday on 1st August, 5th September and 3rd October.</li><li>'A Quiet Space' Prayer Group meets at Windmilll Lodge; Ulting Road from 6pm to 6.45pm.</li></ul>
Samaritan's Purse	The shoeboxes! Now is the time to begin collecting small items to pack into these boxes. They will be divided into 3 -5 years, 6 - 11 years and teenagers (of both sexes).

Please pray for those living in Arthy Close, Ash Close, Baker Avenue, Beech Rise, Bennett Way, Birkdale Close, Bury Lane, Cardfields Lane, Chestnut Avenue, Church Road, Conquerors Close, Crabbs Hill, De Vere Close.

Stop press - total raised at the church summer fete on Sunday 19th July was £864

# **Mothers Union**

#### Jean Ashby

We were sorry that in June our speaker, Mrs Bubb, who was to give us a talk about Myanmar, was unable to come because of family illness. Mary Daw gamely stepped into her place to give us a very interesting meeting on the subject of 'Time'. We always seem to be complaining about the lack of it, so we were given paper and pencils and encouraged to write down our ideas under the following headings -

- 1 It's too late to...
- 2 It's too soon to...
- 3 There's still time to...
- 4 It's the right time to...

The ideas came thick and fast, and we had an amusing and thought provoking time when Mary collected in our papers and read out the answers. We all agreed we had enjoyed the afternoon very much and thanked Mary for making it so interesting. We hope we may be able to invite Mrs Bubb to talk to us on another occasion.

Pat gave out the notices. At our meeting in July our speaker was Canon Eileen French, a very interesting lady who gave us a quiz on the Families First magazine.

# Edward Bear would like to see you

## Nicky Shelley - 01245 380814 nickyshelley@aol.com

I would like to thank everyone who supported the Edward Bear stall at the



summer church fete, those who donated toys and came to buy and support us. We have said good bye to our older children who will be attending school in September, we wish them all well in their new schools.

Edward Bear starts again on 3rd September - please come along and join us, we meet every Thursday 10am to 11.15am with a service in the church every other week.

# **Methodist Church**

Recently we were contacted by the wife of a previous Minister (Rev John Beard) who had a tablecloth from 1961 embroidered with a picture of our Church and surrounded with signatures of villagers connected to our Church. We now have it on display. If you remember our village then you may know many of the names shown and we would love to know more about these people. Please come along to one of our events and help us with this history.

On 17th May we celebrated a further year of Methodist worship in our Church. We were joined by our friends from our Witham Church so the singing was robust. Our preacher, Jim Lowe, reminded us that whilst we should celebrate the past 140 years we should not be afraid of change in the future. We finished with a celebratory lunch. The following week our own Minister, Rev Sue, continued the theme of embracing change and reaffirmed to us that the Holy Spirit will give us strength to overcome our obstacles.

Our Church members are very conscious that we are not attracting many new members to our services. We have met with our Minister to discuss options for our Church and we decided to pray for guidance from God to show how this Church should move forward. To this end we have chosen that at 8pm on a Sunday evening, wherever we are, to pray for God's direction for our Church, whatever the outcome!

In our services for the following 2 weeks both preachers chose the subject of revival and growth. Glenda gave us four examples of revivals in the past. In the mining towns of Wales in the early 20th century, the Hebrides, and much further a field in China where Christianity had been subdued in the mid 20th century but was now growing strongly and North Africa where Christianity is being established in Algeria and Tunisia, both Islamic countries. She said that all these movements had been started by one person or a small group of people who wanted to expand Christianity. The next week Peter Robb reminded us that the disciples were sent out by Jesus to teach to all with goodwill and no fear. Both preachers gave us encouragement to reach out to more in our community.

#### Special event

20th September 11am Harvest Service with Maureen Crilley **Regular events** 

**Every Sunday** 11am morning service – everyone welcome **Every Thursday** 10am - 12 noon Open Door - join us for tea, coffee and friendly chat

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



## **'Blooming Great Tea Party'** Wendy Doe

A nother great success, the tea party held on 2nd July raised an amazing £480 for the Marie Curie Cancer Care charity. Many thanks to everyone who attended and to all who kindly donated prizes for the raffle. Roll on next year!

# From treasure seeking in Maldon to beer and wine drinking in Bavaria!

Peverel Wine Club -Vee Green, Secretary (01245 355723) www.peverelwineclub.co.uk or email peverelwineclub@hotmail.co.uk



We have been enjoying a wide variety of activities over the summer so far, with plenty more to look forward to! In June, members congregated at New Hall vineyard in Purleigh for the 3 Ts – a tour of the vineyard, a talk about its history and progress and (most importantly) a tasting of some of the wines at our local winery. The evening finished with a ploughman's supper, and the whole event was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended. Many thanks to Bernard Prayell for organizing this on behalf of the Club.

July saw the Tour de France pass through Nounsley, when we held a French evening in Bob and Julia Gammie's lovely garden. The weather had been unpredictable earlier in the day, but stayed fine for the evening. Everyone dressed up, either French style, in cycling gear or in red, white and blue, and we started with a virtual Tour de France around the garden, tracking down towns on the 2015 Tour de France route. Winner of the Yellow Jersey was guest Steve Spearman, who was happy to exchange his maillot for the real prize – a bottle of appropriately-named Bicicleta wine! We then tucked into several courses of French food – duck paté, Normandy chicken casserole, a French regional cheeseboard and 4 mini-desserts, all washed down by our own French wines and accompanied by the strains of French accordion music. Not bad value for a fiver! Many thanks to Bob and Julia for their hospitality.

Three days later, we were preparing our stall at the Party in the Park. We varied the theme slightly from our usual Punch up in the Park by having two punches to taste free when buying a ticket for our colourful Bottle Tombola and Count the Corks competitions. Winner of the Adult cork competition was Carol Lane of Maldon Road, very close to the actual 208 corks with her guess of 210, and winner of the Junior cork competition was Max Angell, also incredibly close to the actual number of junior corks (58) with his guess of 56. Well done both – Carol won a bottle of Bordeaux and Max a delicious (but non-alcoholic) bag of wine gums! Thanks to all who participated and who took flyers about the Wine Club – do hope we see some of you at future meetings.

The next item on the Wine Club calendar in August is the traditional walking treasure hunt around a local place of interest – this time the alleys and byways of Maldon in search of clues, finishing at the Oak House for results and a welldeserved supper. As evenings start drawing in, our September meeting is in the village hall at 8pm on Wednesday 9th September, when we shall be enjoying a Septemberfest of Bavarian food, wine and possibly beer. If you would like to join us for a light-hearted evening, polish up your lederhosen and starch your dirndls before giving Vee a ring to confirm attendance (and to ensure we have enough of everything to eat and drink!) on 01245 355723. The club meets normally on the second Wednesday of the month at 8pm in the village hall, but with some exceptions, so always phone first, especially during the summer months.

The Wine Club now has its own website, courtesy of the skills of Fred Brown, which can be accessed direct via www.peverelwineclub.co.uk or via the Hatfield Peverel site at www.essexinfo.net/ hatfieldpeverel/clubs-and-societies/ Find out more about the Wine Club, its activities and its history.

# A local garden to enjoy

Beeleigh Abbey gardens are a short drive - or even a bike ride - away from our village and with three acres of riverside gardens in a historic setting dating from the 13th century, worth a visit.

Last open day is Friday 14th August, 10.30am -4.30pm, last admission 3.30pm. Admission: adult £5, children 5 - 16 years £2.50, children under 5 free. Refreshments, plant sales and free parking

# A look back to spring and forward forward to the future

Our Spring programme saw members and friends enjoying the delights of birdwatching at Heybridge Basin - a bracing but succesful day on the sea wall, and a different type of flight, on another bracing day in June, at Stow Maries, the most complete surviving World War 1 aerodrome in Europe.

The sea wall is there for everyone, any time, and hopefully with birds, but Stow Maries open days are Friday, Saturday and Sunday with fly-in days coming up on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th September. Well worth a visit.

(Sorry, the promised article on Stow Maries mentioned in the June issue is on hold but as a taster we have a couple of photographs - thank you Lesley)

#### Autumn term

We are excited about our Autumn course, **'Islam and Muslims in the UK and the modern world'** with tutor Muhammad Manwar Ali.which starts in the Scout and Guide HQ on Tuesday 29th September at 10am. This is a frank, outspoken and critically interactive course exploring controversial and sensitive issues. We hope to see you there.

**Autumn evening talks** will be held in the Methodist Church, 8pm

Tuesday 6th October to be arranged

**Tuesday 3rd November '**The history of light houses' with tutor Mark Lewis

**Tuesday 1st December** 'Maldon's place in English history' with tutor Robert Long.



## **Bowlers enjoy warm and sunny weather** Rita Thomson, Club Captain, 01245 380038 www.hatfieldpeverelbowling.org

The weather has been warm and sunny for most of the outside matches - won some, lost **I** some - but we enjoy meeting bowlers from all over the county. We held our Captain and President challenge on 4th July: our president's teams won this year, inside and outside bowlers took part and sixty bowlers and guests enjoyed a stawberries and cream tea at the end. Our charity this year is Diabetes UK.

The short mats have held several friendlies and the Tuesday league is going well. We are finding it hard in the outside mid week league as the bowling is a very high standard and we got promotion last season. The outside pairs and singles competitions have been played for several weeks, I wonder who will be in the finals in September?

We had a stall at the Party in the Park, lovely day and a big crowd. Several people were interested so I hope the club will get some new players.

Please call me if you are interested in having a try, we'll make you feel welcome.

# Village hall happenings

Facebook under Hatfield Peverel village hall

Normal opening times 7pm - 11pm

**Special events** 

Friday 21st August 8pm Quiz night in the bar lounge

Friday 25th September 8pm Physic meeting with Richard Harrison, £5 entry

## **Regular happenings**

Bingo (third Thursday in month) 20th August, 17th September

Brag (first Friday in month) 7th August, 4th September, 1st October

Poker (third Saturday in month) 15th August, 19th September

Darts Monday nights Ladies team Tuesdays

Booking for hall, meeting rooms HPCA bookings@gmail.com Phone Alan on 07741 140732

Village hall (after 7pm) 01245 381481

# Come and see what we do

Maldon and District University of the Third Age (U3A) is holding an open day on 21st September 1 - 4pm in Maldon Town Hall.



What is it? - it has 900 local clubs nationwide Who are we? - over 400 sociable members who use their own skills and experience to enjoy a combination of leisure, learning and fun What do we do? - there are 40+ different activity and interest groups run by members

Where do we do it? in members' homes, local halls, seaports, aerodromes, galleries.

We hold a monthly general meeting with guest speaker.

Come and see what we do or contact chairman Malcolm Case at malcolmcase@talktalk.net. ring 01245 329435, or membership secretary Alan Clarke at AlanLClarke@gmail.com 01621 828093. Website – www.maldonu3a.co.ukParish

#### Lateness...

If you're there before its over, you're on time James J Walker If you're late, don't hurry - you're already late Proverb

# **Useful telephone numbers**

Please contact the editors for additions/errors.

Age Concern Essex Anglian Water, 24 hours Braintree District Council Clean Team ring number above a Customer Services			
Witham Area Office in Witham L			
- for walk-in enquiries only	01376 519625		
Churches			
St Andrew's (C of E), vicar	01245 380958		
Methodist Church, minister	01621 853423		
Salvation Army, officer i/c	01245 380842		
Catholic Church, Witham, priest	01376 512219		
Citizens Advice Bureau Witham	0844 4994719		
Drop-in sessions Mon/Tue/Thur/	-		
Appoinments only Thurs afternoo	on 1 - 4pm		
Doctors, health services			
Hatfield Peverel doctors' surgery			
Boreham doctors' surgery	01245 467364		
NHS - non-emergency helpline	111		
Pharmacy, Hadfelda Square	01245 380130		
Electricity - emergency	0800 7838838		
Essex County Council	01245 492211		
Essex & Suffolk Water 24 hours	0845 7820999		
First Essex Buses Ltd	01245 293400		
Gas - emergency	0800 111999		
Harlequin Children's Centre	01376 535270		
Free support and services for chi	ildren under 5		
Hospitals			
Broomfield (A&E); St John's,	01245 362000		
St Peter's, Maldon			
Libraries			
Hatfield Peverel	01245 380988		
Tuesday, Thursday 1 - 5pm			
Wednesday, Saturday 9am - 1pt	m		
Witham	01376 519625		
Police Non-emergency calls	101		
Use 101 also for the local o	fficer		
Emergency calls	999		
Witham Police Station opening hours			
Monday - Saturday 12 noon			
Post Office	01245 380201		
Railway Information			
National Express East Anglia	0845 6007245		
National Rail Enquiries (24 hrs)	08457 484950		

Registrar of Births, Marriages & Deaths

Registrar of Dirtils, Marriages & Deaths			
Witham, by appointment only	01376 323463		
Braintree, by appointment only 01376 320762			
Relate	01245 258680		
Samaritans (24 hours - toll free)	08457 909090		
Schools			
St Andrew's Junior School	01245 380131		
Hatfield Peverel Infant School	01245 380220		
Hatfield Peverel Day Nursery	01245 382450		
Acorn Childcare	07580 834417		
Social Services	0845 6037630		
Village Agent Richard Ould	0800 9775858		
Village hall (after 7pm)	01245 381481		

Let us know of useful services to add to this list

# **Hatfield Peverel Parish Council**

**Committees and working parties** 

Burial Ground Working Party (B) Country Park Focus Group (CP) External Audit Review (A) Football Pavilion (F) Keith Bigden Memorial Ground User Group (KB) Neighbourhood Development Plan (N) Planning (P), Traffic (T) Village Environment (E)

### **Councillors (and their working parties)**

01245 403071			
parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.co.uk			
01245 382829			
01245 380496			
01245 381618			
01245 381919			
01245 381135			
01245 380404			
01245 382669			
01245 381485			

Please note: there are currently seven parish council vacancies

District Councillors	
David Bebb	01245 381065
<b>Daryn Hufton-Rees</b>	01245 233759
<b>County Councillor</b>	
Derrick Louis	07918 721526



Hatfield Peverel Nursery celebrates its recent judgement from OFSTED. A similar photograph appeared in the June issue of the Review but this one, courtesy of the Essex Chronicle, was not available in time to use then. We are sure you will agree this in an 'outstanding' image of a happy day

# Oliver Wingrave gets on his bike

If you are reading this on Sunday 2nd August (perhaps in bed drinking a cuppa) think of Oliver Wingrave who will be out at the start - or depending on the time - at the finish, of a 100-mile bike ride. Oliver, who

lives in Station Road with his wife and two young children, has set himself the challenge of taking part in Ride London 100, a charity bike ride of 100 miles (160km), from Stratford, London, through Surrey and back up to London finishing on The Mall. His sister Kate has a very rare terminal disease that affects just over 1 woman in a million and his target is to raise £1,500. If you would like to make a donation he has a fund-raising page on the Just Giving website: https://www.justgiving.com/Oliver-Wingrave/

Pre ride Oliver tells me he has been training hard, steadily increasing distances in preparation for the 'big one' and is looking forward to the challenge of the cycle, and more importantly trying to raise as much money as possible for LAM Action. He just now needs to ride for 160km in 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hours!

