

***Hatfield Peverel***

# ***Review***

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*Get your prams and join the 2016 Pram Race - six rounds of the recreation ground - on Saturday 30th April as part of the Party in the Park celebrations. You can ring Mark Weale, 07860 305 580, or register on the afternoon before 1pm. The race starts at 2pm and will take place no matter how many prams there are!*



## Hatfield Peverel Review

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# Local events and happenings

## Diary Dates

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### April

- 16 Helen Rollason coffee morning, The Street 10am - 12 noon
- 21 Folk Dance Club
- 23 Salvation Army coffee am
- 22 - 24 Boreham Art Circle 40th exhibition and sale, Boreham village hall
- 27 Hadfelda WI
- 28 Hatfield Peverel Walkers 10am village hall
- 28 Closing date for photo competition see page 7
- 30 Pram Race on the Rec, 2pm start

### May

- 4 Flower Club
- 5 Folk Dance Club
- 7 St Andrew's coffee morning, 10am
- 7 Plant sale and coffee morning, Oaklands, Nounsley Road 10am - 12 noon
- 11 Wine Club
- 14 Methodist Church coffee morning 10am
- 16 Parish Council meeting including AGM, village hall 7.30pm
- 19 Folk Dance Club
- 21 Helen Rollason coffee morning 10am
- 25 Hadfelda WI
- 26 Hatfield Peverel Walkers
- 28/29 Salvation Army celebrates 125 years in Hatfield Peverel, see page 5

### June

- 1 Flower Club
- 2 Folk Dance Club
- 4 St Andrew's coffee morning 10am
- 6 Parish Council meeting

Apologies to Thelma Bard for not thanking her for the photo on the back page of the last issue with Eric Windus, Catherine Voysey and John Jarvis by the Millennium village sign in September 2000.

## Stop Press - Stonepath Meadow (HATF314) – current threats

Extremely unfortunate that news of very confusing overlapping threats to this much-valued rural corner of our village occurred between the February Review and this issue.

The total 'Call for Sites' area of HATF314 is around 26 acres comprising three adjoining fields. HPPC voted unanimously not to support this site.

Planning application (16/00443/FUL) is with the district council (BDC) for change of use of approximately 10 acres of the field immediately south of Stonepath Drive from agricultural to equestrian use, entailing erection of a triple stable block, associated storage, hardstanding, fencing and access track onto Crabbs Hill. Any public objections and comments must be with BDC by 25 April.

Simultaneously BDC has received an application from developers Gladman for outline planning permission for residential development of approximately 80 houses on the site – this time two adjoining fields. Likely to be discussed at HPPC Executive Planning committee meeting on 27th April. Deadline for public comments to BDC by 3 May.

By the time you read this BDC Local Development Plan Sub-committee will have taken the first steps to recommend to full council whether or not this site should be designated for residential development. You will have the opportunity to comment on this decision until probably late May/early June.

A Stonepath Residents action group is very active in doing whatever is possible to protect this land from development, and urges you to support them. They will lobby our parish and district councillors – you can email [stonepathmeadow@yahoo.com](mailto:stonepathmeadow@yahoo.com) for further information and guidance.

## Thank you to our doctors, you have looked after us well over the years

We know you will continue to do so but in this economic climate times they are a changing and with them our dear old NHS. From Tuesday 3rd May, with severe budget cuts in the offing, things will not be as they were. But we've been through worse times, and once we get used to the new system our memories of how it used to be will hopefully fade. We just have to get on and make the best of it.

**But remember - you will continue to be able to see the doctor of your choice, as per their patient charter, whether you previously visited Sidney House in Hatfield Peverel or The Laurels, Boreham.**

On page 8 we have given a brief precis of how services will change: to look at them in full you need to go to the surgeries' website (see page 8) or pick up leaflet from either Sydney House in the village or The Laurels, Boreham.

## Change of Polling Station

**Police and Crime Commissioner elections** on Thursday 5th May will be held in the Salvation Army hall, Maldon Road, Hatfield Peverel: for the **EU Referendum**, Thursday 23rd June, the polling station will revert to the Community Centre.



*Thank you to Meloney Dale for the photo*

## Station Ticket Office opening

The ticket office at Hatfield Peverel train station is now open Monday to Friday 6.15-20.00 and Saturday morning 6.30-13.00. It will be a 'use it or lose it' trial so if it's of use to you - please do use the facility.

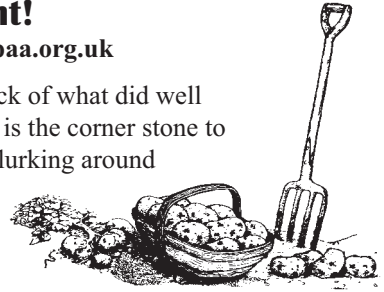


## April is a 'let's go for it' month on the allotment!

Allotment and growing news - Sean Pettit HPAA Chairman [www.hpaa.org.uk](http://www.hpaa.org.uk)

Proceed with caution, careful planning is the key to success. Take stock of what did well last year and where you planted your crops, remember crop rotation is the corner stone to bountiful harvests. But always keep in mind that Jack Frost will still be lurking around so keep all susceptible plants in overnight and away from harm's way.

One job that should be completed by the end of this month (April) is getting your seed potatoes in the ground, get them off to a good start with my favourite feed, a good handful of pelleted chick manure mixed with some compost around each seed potato. Finish planting onion sets and carry on with successional sowings of beetroot, carrots, parsnips, lettuce, spinach, spring onions, kohlrabi, radish, turnips, early peas, Swiss chard. So many things to get started in April, enjoy the longer days and look forward to fresh crops that will start to appear in the coming weeks and months.



This really is an exciting time of the year for the gardener! Every year I try to find a new crop to grow that I have never tasted before let alone grown and this year is no different. In fact I am going to attempt (because I am not always successful the first time!) to grow two new crops, Yacón, a sweet tasting tuber that you can make in to a sweet syrup to replace sugar when cooking and baking, this is safe for diabetics to consume too, and the other I'm going to try is an Italian favourite Agretti, also known as Saltwort, the Japanese call this plant land seaweed and is a mild flavoured greens. I really hope these two new crops will work well, if they are successful I'll let you know later in the year. Whatever you grow I really hope you do well, and enjoy growing and eating your crops.

In other news, while the new site is fully let, we do have one and a half vacant plots on the old site near the church so if you would like one of your own, please give Simon Reed a call on 01245 382696 and I am sure he will be only too pleased to show you around. Telephone 07966 662556, email: [chairman@hpaa.org.uk](mailto:chairman@hpaa.org.uk)

Happy growing and a healthy life.

## Fine display of daffodils at Spring Show Horticultural Society

Better photography was the speaker meeting in March when Ray Lawrence gave us some tips on how to take that winning shot.

### Spring Show

The first of the years' daffodils were waving their heads six weeks before show date on 2nd April - would there be any left? The committee breathed a sigh of relief when, after a slow start, the blossoms kept coming, to give a wonderful springtime display. As well as the floral displays, visitors enjoyed the cookery exhibits, a wide range of photographs and childrens' paintings.

Awards and trophies were presented to: Doe Memorial Cup (daffodils), Class 1 prize and Les

Childs Memorial Bowl (best individual exhibit) Mike Jollands; Garden News Shield (other flowers) Sarah Barker; Other flowers (class 58), and Lens Cup (photography), Neville Bright; Society Cup (cookery) Anne Mountfort; British Legion Cup (handicrafts) Pam Warren; RAOB Cup (best individual exhibit) Maisy Morden; Claydon Memorial Shield (children) Alex Buckley; Cake competition Pat House; Spring bulb competition Hedley Janes. Certificates of merit - cookery Viv Cooke; handicraft Diane Middleton; children Alex Buckley (age 6 and under); Maisy Morden (7 - 11 years); photogaphy Neville Bright.

### Dates for your diary

**Plant sale/coffee morning, Saturday 7th May**  
Oaklands, Nounsley Road 10 am - 12 noon  
Fuschia plants for Autumn Show competition.

Information from Clive Emberson 01245 381704.

## Wow, what an amazing day!

St Andrew's Junior School celebrates  
World Book Day

In early March children celebrated World Book Day, dressing up as their favourite characters and sharing their most loved stories. Lots of reading, lots of writing, lots of photos and lots of fun! The children looked fantastic - as did the staff - in their brilliant costumes.

Winners for the best costumes in each year received £10 book tokens. They were:



**Year 3** Ava Harman as Gangster Granny,  
Stanley Smith as Flat Stanley.

**Year 4** Madison Thorne as Mary Poppins,  
Jonathan Weston as The Tortoise (from The  
Hare and the Tortoise)

**Year 5** Ellie Tones as the Queen of Hearts,  
Olivia Harman as the White Witch **Year**

**Year 6** Dillan Williams and Alfie Warburton as  
Oompa Lumpas, Angel Hall as Queen of Souls  
(from Book of Life).



## Salvation Army celebrates 125 years in Hatfield Peverel

On Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th May the Army will meet together to celebrate this long and happy association with our village. The weekend will be tinged with sadness that this association is now coming to an end but together, with past and present members and friends, it is hoped to share memories and have a laugh about times gone by.

On Saturday the meeting will be at 7 pm and on Sunday 11am and 3pm. Do come and celebrate this weekend with us. And if you have old photographs of the past years, do bring them with you.

For information please ring Major John Turner on 01702 290250, he will be pleased to help you.

*Sorry everyone, the Review is very late due to unforeseen circumstances, namely family coming a week late for Easter visit - and sickness!*

## Spring has come!

The first nightingale arrived in Fingringhoe on 1st April and there are now birds filling the air with their magical song. Come and experience one of Essex's great wildlife events - this nature reserve is one of the best places to be!

Nightingale guided walks will be held at the reserve daily from Sunday 24th April - Saturday 14th May inclusive 7.30pm - 9pm. The walks are popular and places are limited so you need to book early in advance. During these walks the reserve closes at 5pm as normal

To book you can email [www.essexwt.org.uk](http://www.essexwt.org.uk) or telephone 01206 729678. Donation £6 per person.



## **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](mailto:parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.co.uk)**



### **Vacancies on the Council**

The Parish Council still has several vacancies, so anyone interested in local issues and has a few spare moments each month please contact the Clerk as 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**

Demolition and site clearance of modern brick agricultural building and attached timber lean-to within curtilage of listed barn. The majority of the building collapsed some years ago and site clearance is required to make the site safe at The Wick Farm, Terling Hall Road. Erection of two storey side extension at 8 Willow Crescent. Erection of single storey rear extension at 5 Glebefield Road. Demolition of existing garage and single storey rear extensions and erection of rear extension, square off hipped roof and dormers to front at St Andrews, Ulting Road. Erection of single storey rear extension at 5 Glebefield Road.

Change of use of land for the keeping of horses and for the erection of a stable block with associated hard standing, fencing and access track at land south of Stonepath Drive. Erection of detached garage at Rose Cottage, Ulting Road. Erection of rear extension at Gretna, Manor Road. Erection of ground floor rear extension with new hipped roof to front elevation at Hawthorn Lodge, 17 Hawthorn Road. Construction of new front facing dormer window at 103 Church Road. Erection of first floor side extension, single storey rear extension and front porch at 22 Chestnut Avenue. Erection of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension at 25 New Road.

### **The following applications have recently been granted**

Proposed 2 pitched roof dormers and private drive at 2 Station View. Extended ground floor areas under existing rear cantilevers, change of all existing windows and new window to dining area at Barns and Gate Farmhouse, Nounsley Road. Proposed demolition of existing properties and erection of 7 one bed flats, 12 2 bed houses and 6 2 bed flats at land at St Andrew's Road. This has been granted with a S106 payment.

### **Tree Preservation Order applications**

Work to trees at 1 The Pines, 4 The Pines and at Melford, The Pines. Work to trees at 59 Willow Crescent.

### **Tree Preservation Order granted**

Work to trees at 5 Kissinggate, Church Road.

**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/>**

### **Footpath diversions**

Essex County Council has notified us of proposed footpath diversions on footpaths 1, 2, 44 and 48. The parish council has responded to these proposed changes and would not oppose them except for part of the changes to FP 44. Essex County Council has reduced the number of cuts to footpaths to one annual cut so the parish council has agreed to fund up to an additional two annual cuts if necessary.

**Council meetings - village hall 7.30pm first Monday of the month unless otherwise stated. 11th April, 16th May includes annual general meeting, 6th June.**

## Working draft plan introduced to residents

The Executive Neighbourhood Development Plan Committee (NDP) held a meeting on Monday 21st March, followed immediately by a Steering Group meeting

The Policy Writing Team presented a Power Point presentation of the working draft plan. This was the first viewing of the plan for residents following the consultation that has taken place over the last year, and all the work that the topic groups have undertaken to draft the policies in relation to planning. The NDP team felt the non planning issues raised, desired or needed by residents can be taken forward by community action as a separate section (in the plan) as these are just as important. **Please look out for details of how you can help with this action plan shortly.**



The next step will be to send the draft plan to our consultant, Ann Skippers. As well as being a consultant, Ann acts as an inspector when plans are up for approval so we have taken the very best advice available. At time of going to press the meeting with Ann for 5th April had not taken place. But following this meeting the draft plan will be submitted to Braintree District Council for the Statutory Environmental Assessment (SEA).

Once this assessment has taken place, the draft plan will go out to public consultation including all statutory bodies under Regulation 14 which is aimed for early summer. This will be the first opportunity for the community to comment on it. Meanwhile the NDP team need some additional help in indexing the evidence on the data base on line. If you can spare a few hours to help please **email: [hatfieldpeverelplan@gmail.com](mailto:hatfieldpeverelplan@gmail.com)**

To view the evidence on the data base please get in touch as above, and access details will be provided.

## Share your photographs with us

**Valued village architecture**

**Parish photographic competition for the design and character of the village**

To assist the Neighbourhood Development Plan we are holding another free photographic competition. Please submit your photos of good Parish architecture, materials and design. Its not about the quality of the photography, anyone with any snaps or camera equipment can enter.

We are looking for the prettiest cottages, houses both large and small. The nicest driveways, porches and chimney pots. Oak beams and hanging baskets. The best examples of well

presented municipal, residential or business properties. Road signs, mileposts, door knockers and boot scrapers. Barns, sheds and outbuildings. Maybe it's care-worn and scruffy but we love it.



**Closing date: noon on Thursday 28th April**  
Post the pictures to the NDP Facebook site, email them to [hatfieldpeverelplan@gmail.com](mailto:hatfieldpeverelplan@gmail.com) or contact Kevin on 07771 628 864 and we will compile them ready for the **grand judging event in the village hall on Saturday 30th April** during the Pram Race - **the judges will be you voting on the day!**

*Photo above, our valued village countryside - the Upsons' sheep in February - Chris Johnson*



## All change at our doctor's surgeries

**Surgery services at Sidney House, Hatfield Peverel and The Laurels, Boreham are changing!**

*On 31st March the practice announced on its website significant changes to the way both surgeries will operate from 3rd May. The following is an edited version of part of the announcement - to see the full text visit the website: <http://www.sidneyhouseandthelaurels.nhs.uk/news/> or pick up a leaflet from reception at either surgery.*

You will all be aware through local and national press that there is huge pressure on NHS budgets with the need for GPs and hospitals to tighten their belts. Following a recent review of our Contract by NHS England (NHSE), the Partners of Sidney House and The Laurels Surgeries have been advised from 1st April 2016 we face a reduction in the annual budget awarded to us by NHSE to provide your services. **The Budget cut is so significant that as a consequence continuing to run the service as we have done until now is no longer a viable option.** Following meetings between the Partners, NHSE and the Mid Essex Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) it has been agreed, in order to continue to provide our patients with a safe and effective service, we have no choice but to re-structure our services to maintain its viability.

### From 3rd May 2016

- \* The Practice will transfer its contract from a locally agreed Personal Medical Services (PMS) Contract to a nationally agreed General Medical Services (GMS) Contract via NHSE.
- \* The four Partners will remain at the Practice and continue to provide primary care services. You will continue to be able to choose to see the GP of your choice (as per our patient charter).
- \* Both Sidney House Surgery and The Laurels Surgery will for the time being remain operational, however;
- \* Sidney House Surgery will be the 'Hub site', offering on the day appointments to all patients, whilst The Laurels will be used to provide non urgent pre-booked GP appointments only, and clinics for Chronic Disease Management.

**The article and leaflet go on to detail the changes that will take place. For further full details please go to the website, address above, or pick up an information leaflet at the reception desk.**

### Future contact details

- \* **A single telephone number 01245 380324 will from 3rd May allow access to both surgeries.**
- \* There will also be a single email address through which to contact the dispensing service to generate your repeat prescriptions irrespective of where you live.
- \* There will also be a dedicated Test Results service between 11am and 1pm

**If you need non urgent medical assistance outside of these hours, please dial 111.** The operator will ask you for details of your problem - depending on the nature of your illness/complaint you will then speak to a doctor, a nurse or another clinician who will assess you. **In an emergency dial 999.**

### Appointments

- \* **Sidney House Surgery, Hatfield Peverel (the Hub)** All urgent/on the day appointments will be provided at Sidney House. There will be a small number of pre-bookable appointments available.
- \* **The Laurels Surgery, Boreham. Pre-booked appointments only,** with GPs and Nurses will be provided at The Laurels. Most of the Chronic Disease Management clinics (ie, diabetes, asthma/COPD, blood pressure, heart disease monitoring) will be provided at this site.

**The Practice can no longer provide appointments outside of our contracted hours of 8am – 6.30pm, Monday to Friday.** If you need non urgent medical assistance outside of these hours, please dial 111.



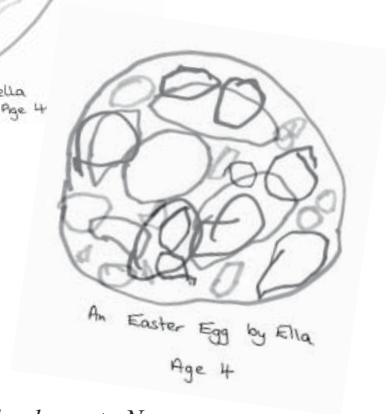
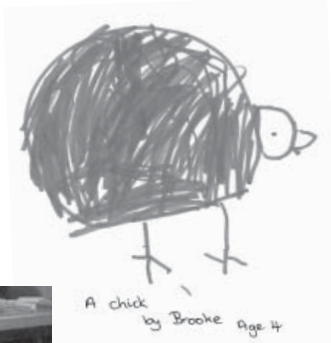
## Hatching time for ducklings

### Hatfield Peverel Nursery

This term has been very exciting with the arrival of seven eggs which we watched hatch into ducklings, delighting both children and adults. The ducklings had their first swimming lesson with us. The children have experienced a wide range of activities - exploring Chinese culture to celebrate Chinese New Year, as well as celebrating our festivals of Shrove Tuesday, St David's Day and Easter.

Next term our preschool children will be encouraged to become independent in preparation for their next step to 'big' school. The nursery is managed by Belinda Wakelin who has a BA Degree in Early Years and holds Early Years Professional Status with a well qualified staff team.

For availability of spaces please telephone 01245 382450.



*Thank you to Nursery children Mia, Brooke, Orla Mae, Isabella and Ella for their lovely Easter drawings*

## Celebration time for Cub Scouts

Scout Group (for boys and girls 6 - 18 years)

Group Secretary - Suzanne Evans 01245-382 397

Website: [www.hpscouts.org.uk](http://www.hpscouts.org.uk)

### Cubs 100 years on

In 1916 Robert Baden-Powell, having already founded the Scouting Movement back in 1907, recognised the need to expand the organisation to include younger boys. Hence the Wolf Cub Section for 8 to 11 year olds was formed. Baden-Powell and author Rudyard Kipling were good friends, and as a result, the Jungle Book stories were used as a theme for the new group. Today, 100 years on, Cub leaders are still named Akela, Raksha, Baloo, Shere-Khan etc after the main characters from the book.

In February, to mark the centenary of the formation of the Cub Scout section, and to thank all those involved with the Hatfield Peverel pack over the years, Leaders, parents, former Leaders, families of former Leaders and helpers gathered in the Scout and Guide HQ for a very enjoyable evening of reminiscing and fun. The hall was filled to capacity and everyone merrily chatted over refreshments, while looking at old photos and interesting 'Cub related' memorabilia. Activities, which were very popular with all ages, included making friendships sticks, quizzes, knot tying and first aid.

During the evening, five Cubs were invested, with former Leaders handing out World Membership Badges to the new members. Jake Spicer was presented with his Silver Award, the highest award in Cubs (well done Jake!) and former Leaders again became involved, when the Cubs who had just been 'promoted' to Second, received their stripe.

Finally, Zachary Hale, the youngest member at just eight years old, and Dick Dawson, the most senior former Leader (we won't divulge his age!) together cut the special 100 years anniversary cake, which had been skilfully made by parent, Tania Smith.

Many things in the Scouting Movement have changed over the years; however, at this celebration evening it was evident that one thing has remained constant, and that is the kind and caring attitude of everyone involved, both past and present. It was a pleasure to see and long may it continue.

### Explorers

At the beginning of March, the Explorers and a few senior Scouts enjoyed a challenging expedition in preparation for the Duke of Edinburgh Award. They were dropped off at Prances campsite in Wickham Bishops on Friday evening, pitched their tents in the dark and then retired to bed, along with plenty of snacks to keep them going. Following a cold night and breakfast cooked over the campfire, they split





into two teams and departed on foot for their next overnight stop, the King Edward VIII campsite in Little Baddow – a muddy eight-mile walk with large, fully loaded rucksacks! They arrived safely mid-afternoon and again set up camp. Saturday night was even colder than Friday and, after little sleep, the campers rose early on Sunday morning to light a fire and make breakfast. A Mothers Day message was sent home via Facebook, before they completed the weekend's activities with a four-mile hike (at least it was down North Hill this time!) back to Scout and Guide HQ. Well done to all those who took part and many thanks to Nick and his team for organising the event.

### **Fundraising - monthly paper and cardboard collection**

We collect waste paper and cardboard on the first Saturday of the month - newspapers, large cardboard boxes (**please flatten**), office paper, magazines (**please remove plastic wrapping**), shredded paper and cereal boxes etc. **Please do not put your paper and cardboard items out for the refuse collectors, let us collect it or put it in our skip in the HQ car park in Church Road.** If you have a problem contact Jonathan Dormon, 01245 -382 981, [jonathan.dormon@btinternet.com](mailto:jonathan.dormon@btinternet.com) Publicity: **Thank you.**

### **Lostbox - a free way to find lost items and return found items!**

We were listening to Radio 4's Saturday Live some weeks ago when a listener was talking about this wonderful service that could help you track down items you had lost. Or if you found an item, it could help you trace the owner. It costs you nothing **and it is not a scam.**

**The link is <https://mylostbox.com/> and it says "Our online platform can provide results with three easy steps**

1 Create an account - you can quickly sign up to our FREE service, allowing you to post items, contact other users and comment on lost and found appeals

2 Post a lost or found item. Make your appeal visible to thousands of people in your area by uploading a photo and description of your item to our database

3 Receive notifications. You will receive a confidential message from the finder/owner when they locate your item.



### **Chatterbox challenge** **Nickey's Childminding**

Land other childminders and nannies took part in the Ben and Holly chatterbox challenge to raise money for children who struggle to communicate.

We sang songs, rhymes and read books together. All the children were sponsored by their friends and family, and together we raised £200.



## Grassroots football struggles in winter

Terry Lingley at [terryhey@sky.com](mailto:terryhey@sky.com)  
077 36 042 466

As with many other grassroots football clubs at this time of year the weather invariably takes its toll as pitches struggle to cope with the wet and windy conditions, leading to many games being cancelled. In fact it is not unusual for some young players to not play from December through to February. The Football Foundation Charity, partly funded by the Premier League, has in the past 15 years delivered 561 artificial pitches; however, compared to other European countries such as Germany we still lag far behind. The days of plastic pitches as played on by Luton and QPR were banned in 1995 but with the advent of new technology such as 4G pitches they look set to make a return to the professional game.



Hatfield Peverel suffers the same issues with pitches as many other clubs; however, as we have a long term lease on our pitches from our Parish Council, unlike many clubs we have been able, in the last two years, to implement a plan to manage our ground as best as we can. Last season we dug a drainage ditch around the outskirts of our ground and this season we have been able to hire specialist 'verti-drain' equipment which puts air back into the ground, strengthening the roots and allowing surface water to drain away. This work is done by our team of volunteers, often taking leave from their jobs to enable everyone to play.

Finally the club funded training on 4G pitches throughout the worst of the winter meant that not only could our teams train each week but by resting our pitches we have been able to play most Sundays, except for exceptional weather.

Thanks partly to this plan, not only are we well placed now as we move hopefully into the dryer months but two of our teams - the U13s and U14s - have each reached cup finals in their divisions. Good luck to both teams. Another mention for our U10 girls (see photo above), who played their first ever league game on the first weekend in February, they made a great account of themselves and thoroughly enjoyed it judging by the look on their faces. We still have space for any new female aspiring footballers in years 3, 4 or 5. Please contact us at the club for more information.

Off the pitch we have recently become verified as a Learning Destination for the Essex Children's University and thanks to our supporters shopping at the Co-op, through their green token scheme we have received a significant donation from the Co-op charity, for which we are very grateful.

## Football Club race night provides a welcome tonic

Liverpool Manager Bill Shankley famously once said that football wasn't a matter of life and death, it was more important than that, and while this may not be true for everyone, football, or more specifically a football club can be about

more than just what happens when the players cross the white line on a Saturday or Sunday. A good club, in any sport, brings a sense of community and provides support for its members, and this was demonstrated by members of Hatfield Peverel Football Club in February as they got together to support one of their families in need. Following a tragic accident over Christmas



one of the clubs youth players has undergone and will continue to undergo specialist treatment at Great Ormond Street Hospital for children, and the family recognising the amazing support they received from the hospital vowed to fund-raise to help families like themselves who need to stay on site while their child undergoes treatment.

The club committee agreed to put on and run a charity race night, for members of the football club to come along for a fun evening with the aim of raising £500 for the charity. With the efforts of a bunch of willing volunteers working behind the scenes arrangements were put in place to host the night. With volunteers in the kitchen, on the raffle and throughout the village hall the night needed one more ingredient, the support of the parents and families of the club. And we got just that, with the hall at standing room only, everyone had fun and made it a night to remember, raising in the process a staggering £890 for the charity.

In this day and age when people are seemingly becoming disconnected from each other, this was a powerful demonstration of the community spirit that being part of a successful club like Hatfield Peverel Football Club can create.

## Hatfield Peverel Walkers

**I**n February the Walkers took a route around the disused gravel workings and Gypsy Lane on the outskirts of the village, ably led by Chris Johnson.

In March, on a beautiful sunny day which heralded in the Spring, ten walkers enjoyed a ramble from Terling along parts of the Essex Way. This walk, led by Dave and Les Groves, showed off the stunning rolling countryside around the villages of Fairstead and Fuller Street, and finished with refreshments in Terling.

The next meeting, on Thursday 28th April, starts at the village hall at 10am, to walk the annual circular walk around Toppinghoe Hall Wood to view the spectacular bluebells hopefully in full bloom.

Future dates for your diary are 26th May and 30th June. Further information and new members are always welcome. Please contact Graham Bushby 380472.

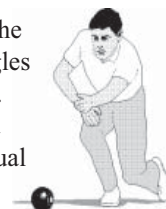


*Having fun and raising funds for Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children. The club raised just under £900, an outstanding amount*

## Spring is in the air

**Rita Thomson, Bowls Club Captain (380038)**  
[www.hatfieldpeverelbowling.org](http://www.hatfieldpeverelbowling.org)

**T**he winter season is coming to the finishing line, and the club singles and pairs are at the semi-final stage. Finals evening is on 22nd April and awards will be presented at the annual dinner on 7th May.



The John Franklin open competition was held on 20th February: eight teams took part in an excellent day of bowling. The final between Hannikins Farm and Canvey Island was won by the islanders - a most enjoyable day.

The outside green will open on 18th April - the club's twenty-sixth birthday - so I hope the weather will be kind to us! We have a full fixture list of friendly matches, the ladies are in the Chelmer League and we also play Tuesday mid-week league. We're looking forward to some fine weather.

## News from St Andrews

Easter this year was so early that Holy Week and Easter Day will have passed by the time you receive your Review. Nevertheless, whether we realize it or not, we are living in what theologians call the new age and, in a sense, every Sunday to a Christian is Easter Day. We are, as the late Pope John Paul II once said 'resurrection people'.



We in that period between Easter and Pentecost, called the great 50 days. The Gospel readings for this period concentrate on both the resurrection appearances of Jesus in St John's Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles, which details how the early church began and spread, and many of the problems it faced, many of which are still with us!

For the Parish Lent course, we followed a Lent course entitled 'Transformed by the Presence of Jesus'. This looked at the life of Jesus and the impact he had on many people's lives through well-known characters in the Gospels such as Peter, Mary Magdalene, Lazarus and the Samaritan woman, and then the impact of his resurrection appearances. Each section contained useful questions that focus on how we respond to Jesus' presence. How does he affect us in the practicality of day-to-day living?

### So to other events

**Sunday 24th April** Annual Parochial Church meeting and election of Churchwardens, 11.30am after the 10.15am service.

**Saturday 7th May** Coffee morning 10am to 12 noon Church hall

### The Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations

We have been told that this is to take place on the weekend of 11th/12th June. No further details as yet but a Service Order is going to be available for Sunday worship. Watch for posters.

## Methodist Church

In January during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity we were warmly welcomed and enjoyed sharing in the service at St Andrew's Parish Church. This was the first of planned Ecumenical Services to take place in turn at the three village churches where we will experience each others style of worship.

Many churches are realising we must open our minds to the challenge of different forms of worship. In February our visiting Minister, Rev Sue Manning, led an inspiring service. She reminded us that we are willing to accept change in our lives to embrace labour saving devices such as microwaves and use modern technology - computers and satellite navigation systems, but we are often reluctant to move on in faith and prefer to hold on to tradition, getting left behind in the process.

With this in mind we are happy to open our doors and welcome you to any of our events and remind you that **we hold a social get-together every Thursday between 10 - 12midday** when we serve tea, coffee and biscuits and enjoy 'a good natter'. There are no restrictions on age, religion or subjects of conversation. So don't sit at home, come and join us and make new friends.

In March we were pleased to welcome back the 'Celebrate' group who led a service of up-tempo praise using guitars, drums and modern music, joyous singing and happy worship. Once again, everyone is very welcome to join us on one of these evenings.

Look out for posters on our Church notice board in front of our Church for forthcoming events.

Our Sunday service at 11am is a very relaxed hour where we join together around a table. Our services are led by either by our Minister, Rev Sue King, or a local preacher. We sing hymns, pray and listen to a talk by the worship leader. After the service we have the opportunity to discuss any matters raised, often with tea and biscuits. We try to be a caring Church where people can share their joys and their woes and where we learn together and put into practise our Christian faith in fellowship with one another and our local community. **If you have transport problems, then please ring Aileen (380831) or Rosemary (380504) who can arrange a lift.**

Currently we are in the Lent period which takes place in the 40 days leading up to the Easter weekend. We are adding symbolic items to a large wooden cross each Sunday reminding us of the events leading up to Easter Sunday. From Jesus' washing of the disciple's feet to show piety, the purple cloth representing repentance, a money bag for the betrayal by Judas and the crown of thorns for the life that Jesus sacrificed on the cross. On Easter Day these items are stripped away and replaced by a glorious array of flowers to show the resurrection of Christ.

## Big turnout for Edward Bear

Nicky Shelley - 01245 380814 ([nickys Shelley@aol.com](mailto:nickys Shelley@aol.com))

On Edward Bear's last session till after Easter, Jean and Father Stephen read us a story about Daniel the donkey. Today was a big turn out as twenty seven children attended.

After play and coffee, as the sun was shining we had an Easter egg hunt in the Church garden. The children thoroughly enjoyed it and we were each handed out a chocolate egg, many thanks to Jean, Pat, Anne and Father Stephen. We wished a happy Easter to everyone.

Edward Bear runs every Thursday in the Church hall. Every other week we have a short service in the church with a story read by Jean and songs sung by the children.

We have a craft table, so they can colour a picture or make something special, and lots of exciting toys.



There are teas and coffees for adults and water/juice plus biscuits for the boys and girls. Please feel free to come along and see us, we would love to welcome new members. I can be contacted on the number above. **We open again on Thursday 14th April.**



## Burma - hope for the future

Mother's Union - Jean Ashby

Our February speaker, Charles Cope, gave an absorbing talk on Burma, or Myanmar, as it is now called. Charles's connection with the country was through his Father, who worked there in 1936 in the teak industry. The severity of the suffering during the 2nd World War, as battles raged across its territory between the Allies and the Japanese, is a fact of



history. Until then it had been administered by the British, gaining its independence in 1948. However, Burma is not a country of one nation but a collection of different ethnic groups each with their own territories and religious beliefs, and by 1950 Independence had resulted in Civil War. Military dictatorship came in 1960 when the country's leader Aung San was assassinated. Myanmar has suffered greatly: the ruling Burmese Generals tried to force a policy of 'One Nation, one faith' onto the population. They

made no provision for Buddhists, Christians, and Muslims who fled into neighbouring Thailand.

Things have improved slightly; in 2015 the first free election saw the NLD party, with Aung San Suu Kyi, sweep to victory. This does not mean a change in government policy; the Country's constitution states there has to be a 75% majority vote to change it and the Generals reserve 25% of the ruling seats for themselves.

Aung San Suu Kyi cannot be President as she had been married to an Englishman but amongst the problems, there is a beacon of light as many groups of Christians, including Mothers Union, have been working with communities who face poor health, poverty and lack of education. The MU has set up workshops including Early Child Care Development and it supports the aged, both Christians and non-Christians. There is CWS training for human rights, tolerance etc. and we have two leading churchmen in RC Cardinal Bo and Anglican Archbishop Stephen working there.

Charles showed us a film taken when he and Pearl visited the refugee camp on the Thai border where many of her people, the Karens, have been settled. The beauty and magnificence of the scenery belies the suffering of the people. We pray their situation improves very soon.

We gave a leaving present of gardening vouchers to Mary and we wish her every happiness in her and Owen's new home.

### March 2016

This afternoon our friend Jane Miller gave an interesting and hilarious talk about her long career in the nursing profession. Jane's family told her they knew she would be a nurse when, at a very young age, she saw a man collapse in the street outside the family's London flat and wanted to rush out to 'mend him'. Academic study never came easy and, at fifteen having passed one O level exam, she badgered her Father to let her leave school and do something useful. She worked for a local chemist and at sixteen applied to the C of E Children's Society to train as a nursery nurse. She did three years at East Grinstead, including three months each year at their college in Bolton.

After a period as a Nursery Nurse at Felixstowe she changed to general nursing and trained to be a State Registered Nurse. Jane thought her lack of paper qualifications would be against her but in the early 1960s practical experience counted and she was accepted to train at the Royal Free Hospital, London. They practised nursing skills on each other before being allowed near a patient!

Jane worked first on the Fever Ward where patients were housed in glass cubicles to prevent cross infection and she learned the art of barrier nursing. Conditions were strict but she never saw one case of cross infection. She worked on many types of wards and, in her opinion, the standard of nursing care was higher than today. There was one administrator per five hospitals, one Matron for each hospital, a deputy Matron and one sister per ward who was allocated money for ward expenses. Jane ran out of time but we thanked her for a fascinating talk and hope she will return.

## Braintree Food Bank

Thank you for your continued support of the foodbank.



At 5.1 tonnes, our warehouse stocks are currently lower than they have been and **we urgently need:**

Longlife Milk (1lt and 500ml) and instant mash

### For general stocks

Tinned vegetables, tinned tomatoes  
Small packet custard (not tins please)  
Cereal bars, fruit juice, patya sauce  
Chocolate covered biscuits (eg Kit Kat)  
Nappies - all sizes, and sanitary products  
Longlife bags - since supermarkets have started charging for bags we are now short of longlife bags - ordinary ones are not 'man' enough.

We can only accept donations of freshly-bought, unopened and undamaged goods well within their 'use by' date (no less than 6 months).

**Donations can be left at the Co-op Stores, St Andrews Church and the Methodist Church**





## A slice of cake with Catherine!

An enjoyable morning's AGM: with the business of the meeting over and Arthur Brooks' entertaining talk on 'A Taste of Music Hall' keeping our feet tapping, it was time for best wishes to Catherine Voysey from members and friends.

Catherine was stepping down after a long and happy association with the WEA. There had been a group in the village in the late 40's/early 50's which had ceased. At the instigation of Dr Arthur Brown, then chairman of the branch, in 1974 Catherine revamped the group and it was her enthusiasm and drive that has kept it going until this day, forty two years later. The WEA has had many homes: the cellar at Brewery House where there was a creche, the library in the old village hall in The Street, and latterly its home in the Scout and Guide HQ. A leading light in the Federation, regionally and nationally, her vast knowledge of the workings of this ever-changing organisation is invaluable - and will remain so, and she will be greatly missed. But we'll keep you busy Catherine and see you at future courses.

Everyone enjoyed a slice of Catherine's special birthday cake - thank you Virginia - beautifully decorated with a picture of the village sign on The Green commemorating the Millennium, and Mary Hills' watercolour of Ulting church was presented to her in appreciation of the work she has done.

**Our Spring term** - 'Conflict in the 19th century Essex' with Ted Woodgate was a thought-provoking look at the plight of Essex farmworkers and their families in the early 1800s and 1900s with poor housing - children and parents sleeping in one room, no light or sanitation, unscrupulous farm managers - no work, no pay; no pay, no food.

**At an interesting talk in March** Brian Bourn spoke on 'The Restoration of Harrison's Clocks'

**WEA**

## Welcome to the village hall

Come and enjoy a drink and a warm welcome in a friendly atmosphere. Summer is almost here, take your drink out into the sunshine, relax and watch the children play.

**Opening times Monday to Saturday 7 - 11pm, Sunday 12 noon - 4.30pm**

### Regular happenings

**Bingo** (first and third Thursday in month)  
21st April, 5th/19th May, 2nd/16th June

**Brag** (first Friday in month)  
6th May, 3rd June

**Poker** (third Saturday in month)  
16th April, 21st May, 18th June

**Pool (second Friday in month)**  
13th May, 10th June

**Darts** Monday nights  
Ladies team Tuesdays

### Booking for hall/meeting rooms

HPCA bookings@mail.com  
Phone Allan on 07741 140732

**Village hall (before 12 noon and after 7pm)**  
01245 381481

### Facebook

Hatfield Peverel village hall

**Yearly membership is £5**

## International jet-setters from Portugal to the European cup via Cannes!

Peverel Wine Club – Vee Green, Secretary (01245 355723)

[www.peverelwineclub.co.uk](http://www.peverelwineclub.co.uk)

email: [peverelwineclub@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:peverelwineclub@hotmail.co.uk)

April already and the Wine Club has enjoyed three excellent meetings: the Club Quiz in January, the Carnevale Italiano in February and Wine Whist in March. The Carnevale Italiano was a special evening linking in with the famous Mardi Gras Carnival celebrations in Venice. Members wore beautiful masks bedecked with feathers and sequins, or sinister ones – all accompanied by spangly scarves or dashing cloaks (some of the latter bore a close resemblance to black bin bags!). We tasted an excellent selection of good value wines from across Italy provided by Giordano Wines, accompanied by Italian antipasti, for a modest price of £5 per person for members.

Wine Whist in March had nothing to do with playing cards and everything to do with rotating to sit with different people to taste each wine. The six wines were tasted blind and awarded points for appearance, bouquet and flavour. Plans for an orderly rotation disintegrated thanks to an uneven number of attendees; it became simpler to sit with different people and to taste a different wine each time. The evening was chaotic and thoroughly enjoyable! The wines came from Asda, currently on sale at £5 a bottle; winner of the whites was Southern Point Viognier Reserve from South Africa, and there was a dead heat in the reds with an Asda Extra Special Shiraz from the Barossa Valley in Australia and a French Grand Clauzy Merlot from the Pays d'Oc. The wines were pronounced excellent value.

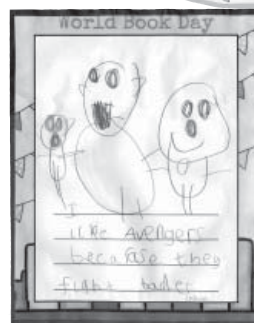
Another wine tasting on 13th April when we sample a selection of Portuguese wines from this small but competitive wine-producing country. May sees the first of our summer meetings away from the hall as we head for the exotic location of the Cannes Film Festival (aka the Prince's Room at Chelmsford College) for a movie-themed 4-course meal, and we return to the village hall in June for our own unique take on the European Cup! If you think you'd like to join us for a light-hearted evening you would always be very welcome, but please give Vee a ring beforehand 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 it is always worth phoning first, especially during the summer months.

The club has its own website, courtesy of the skills of Fred Brown, accessed via the Hatfield Peverel community site at [www.essexinfo.net/hatfieldpeverel/clubs-and-societies/](http://www.essexinfo.net/hatfieldpeverel/clubs-and-societies/) or via [www.peverelwineclub.co.uk](http://www.peverelwineclub.co.uk)

## Infants enjoy World Book Day

Children designed book covers

- Erin illustrated *The Three Bears* and Joshua *The Avengers* - while others, who had been looking at how to train your dragon, sang the dragon song to their parents. Their dragon pictures, centre, were drawn by Grace and Scarlett



## Useful telephone numbers

Please contact the editors for additions/errors.

<b>Age Concern Essex</b>	01245 264499
<b>Anglian Water, 24 hours</b>	0800 919 155
<b>Braintree District Council</b>	01376 552525

Clean Team ring number above and ask for  
Customer Services  
Witham Area Office in Witham Library  
- 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	01702 290250
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 - 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 children 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 - 1pm	
Witham	01376 519625

**Police** Non-emergency calls 101

Use 101 also for the local officer

Emergency calls 999

**Post Office in Co-op Stores** 01245 382787

Monday through to Sunday 7am - 10pm

### 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

**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)

**Lisa Miller, Parish Clerk** 01245 403071

parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.co.uk

**David Broddle - Chairman**

01245 382829

(P/KB/CP/A)

**Susie Blythe** 01245 382685

**George Boyd Ratcliff (T/P)** 01245 380496

**Peter Endersby (E/KB/A/F/PiP)** 01245 381919

**Bernie Heard** 01245 380370

**Suzanne Morris** 01245 382940

**Ted Munt (F chair/E/A/CP/B/N)** 01245 381135

**Les Priestley (A/N)** 01245 380404

**Mike Sayer**

**Linda Shaw (T/N/P/CP)** 01245 382669

**Diane Wallace (P/CP/PiP/B?N)** 01245 381485

**Mark Weale (PiP)** 01245 381726

### District Councillor

**David Bebb** 01245 381065

### District and County Councillor

**Daryn Hufton-Rees** 07729 458757

*Both lists updated Feb 2016*





*This photograph was taken in the early sixties during construction of the A12 Hatfield Peverel bypass, which opened in 1965, by Clifford Dawson, the father of one-time resident and Scoutmaster Dick Dawson. The viewpoint today would be from the bridge on Station Road looking towards Arla dairy. The house on the right is Highcliffe, the first on the left after the bridge going towards the station. Those who lived in the village before the completion of the road will recall the long waits we had, particularly in summer, to cross The Street, dodging the traffic on its way to the coast*

## **A Freeman of the City of London**

**My friend Irene from up the road was telling me about her father, a Freeman of the City.**

Frederick Loveard, in 1928 when he finished his seven year apprenticeship in the print trade with Truscotts, was made a Freeman of the City of London: he was given a small box enclosing a Book of Prayer and a Bible. That year the owner of the business was Lord Mayor and Frederick

would have received his certificate from his boss.

There were certain privileges for Freeman.

- 1 You could take your sheep over London Bridge
- 2 ...be hung with a silk cord
- 3 ...walk around London with a drawn sword
- 4 ...not be arrested for being drunk and disorderly
- 5 ...not be pressganged into the Navy.

Those were the days!