

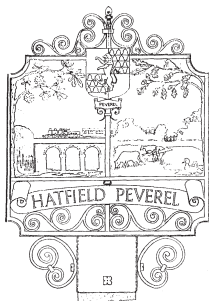
***Hatfield Peverel***

# ***Review***

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*Who said 'Beavers don't climb trees'? No-one told 1st Hatfield Peverel Beavers in this group at the joint Beaver and Cub camp at Skreens Park, Roxwell, in July. See report pages 8/9. Photos - Gillian McNally*



## Hatfield Peverel Review

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# Local events and happenings round and about

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### August

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- 28 Hatfield Peverel Walkers, see page 12

### September

- 1 Parish Council meeting, village hall
- 3 Flower Club
- 6 St Andrew's coffee morning 10am
- 6 Plant sale and coffee morning, Tudor Lodge, The Street, 10am - 1pm
- 6 Helen Rollason tea party, 18 Mortimer Road 2 - 5pm
- 10 Wine Club
- 11 Folk Dance Club
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- 27 Salvation Army coffee morning
- 30 WEA morning classes start, see page 13 for details

### October

- 1 Flower Club
- 4 St Andrew's coffee morning 10am
- 4 Autum Show
- 6 Parish Council meeting
- 7 WEA evening talk 'Stow Maries aerodrome', page 13
- 9 Folk Dance Club
- 11 Methodist Church coffee morning, 10am
- 31 October Halloween party in village hall

## See you next year

**O**n the right is Scruffy, eulogised in the June Review as our much-loved blackbird, but no longer gathering currents for his offspring as he was here on our church pew. As we have been away for a good part of July and August, he has either got the hump (neighbours' food no good) or come to grief. I suspect he is restin' (as did the parrot of Monty Python fame) and will come again next year. Today I have seen one large rabbit, one rat carrying an apple over the lawn, and a nervous moorhen. All life is here!

But not a good life for many people in the world. This morning I read of the head of a bomb disposal unit in Gaza, his job to protect several hundred thousand people from unexploded ordnance littering the streets, fields and rubble of many homes. Forty-three and father of seven, he died trying to diffuse a 500kg bomb. How lucky are we.



## Yellow zig-zag lines outside the schools

From a concerned parent

**W**ith the start of a new school year coming it is worth reminding people what the yellow zig-zag lines outside the schools mean and what is their purpose.

Between the lengths of zig-zag is written SCHOOL KEEP CLEAR and that is precisely what it means. The Highway code states 'Do not park on a bend; do not park near a school entrance'. As the village school entrance is on a bend they are two reasons not to park on the yellow zig-zags. The road signs section of the code includes the school zig-zags and states 'Keep entrance clear of stationary vehicles'.

Parking on the zig-zags forces other road users to go round the bend on the wrong side of the road, substantially increasing the risk of a collision, and making it doubly difficult for pedestrians – with or without children – to see to cross the road safely.

In addition to it being contrary to good practice to park there at any time, there are signs on a number of lamp posts which identify that it is a statutory offence to stop (let alone park) there between the hours of 8am to 9.15am and 2.45pm to 4.15pm.

**Help to keep our village inhabitants safe, please obey the yellow zig-zags.**

## Flu clinics

**I**n anticipation of the approach of winter, the doctors' surgeries will be operating 'flu clinics from 8am to 12.30pm, 1.30pm to 6pm on the following dates

Wednesday 1st and 15th October - Sidney House, Hatfield Peverel.

Wednesday 8th October and Friday 24th October - The Laurels, Boreham.

In addition there will be at least one Saturday clinic.

Please contact either surgery for further information:  
Hatfield Peverel 01245 380324  
Boreham 01245 467364

## Superfast Broadband

Hatfield Peverel is due to be fibre enabled under the Superfast Essex programme. Under current plans, rollout works commence in this area in 2015. Please note this is subject to change following detail survey and planning.

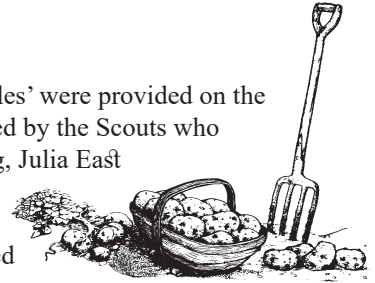
## Pram race in October Review

**W**e had a fantastic response to our pram race photo in the last issue, thank you to everyone who responded with more photos and stories of those far off days. We hope to have a centre spread feature in October - meanwhile your pictures are safe!

## Allotment Association competition results

David Goodey (01245 380389), [hpaa.org.uk](http://hpaa.org.uk)

Our competition was held at the end of June and the 'drinks and nibbles' were provided on the new site. We were helped out with teas and coffees expertly provided by the Scouts who raised money for their own funds. Barbara Richardson, Margaret Hasting, Julia East and their team coordinated the whole event very successfully and John Cockell did his usual excellent job with the gazebo and logistics. Many thanks go to the providers of drinks and food and those others who helped in so many ways. Darren Fazackerley, Essex Chairman of the National Society of Allotment and Leisure Gardeners, judged the competition for the 15<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. The outcome was decisive and popular, with Peter and Steph Gammons winning for the third year running with their gorgeous plots on the old site. Phil and Sheila beat Paul Smith by just one point to win on the new site. The full results were:



### Old site (Church)

- 1<sup>st</sup> 139 points Pete and Steph Gammons
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 107 points Thomas Smith
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 105 points Terry and Liz Atkinson

### New site (cricket pitch)

- 1<sup>st</sup> 124.5 points Phil and Sheila Turner
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 112.5 points Paul Smith
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 94.4 points Margaret Hasting

Although we are fully let at the moment we normally lose a number of members at rent renewal time in September. So if you want a plot contact John Cockell (01245 381646) for the old site next to the church or, for the new site next to the cricket pitch, call Paul Waite (01245 380429). Alternatively contact us through our website [hpaa.org.uk](http://hpaa.org.uk)

## Successful Art Group exhibition

**Hatfield Peverel Art Group - Peter Walker**

The exhibition was held in the Salvation Army hall on Saturday 14th June. The event reverted to its' previous one-day format, with the addition of a Friday evening preview/reception for Art Group members and partners, our sponsors and exhibitors prior to the event, which was well supported. The number of pictures on display were similar to our previous one-day exhibitions and of the usual high standard, and the painting demonstration by equestrian and landscape artist Ron White was very much appreciated by visiting members of the public. Pupils from St Andrew's School once again participated by displaying some excellent pictures, with the winning artist in each age group receiving an award of an item of art equipment. The usual selection of high-quality cakes with the normal refreshment items proved very popular!

My sincere thanks to Art Group members who gave up their valuable time in supporting the exhibition and making it all possible, whether

through their pictures for display, assisting in the setting-up or stewardship at the exhibition, or by way of cakes and other items supplied for the refreshments. Others to be thanked include our sponsors, exhibitors from outside the group and, of course, the members of the public who came through the doors.

The group continues to hold its' weekly meetings on most Monday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm in St Andrew's Church hall, and should you wish to join or find out more about the activities of the group, please contact Peter Walker on 01245-381798, visit the website at [www.hatfieldpeverelartgroup.co.uk](http://www.hatfieldpeverelartgroup.co.uk) or come along and see us during one of our Monday sessions.

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## Albert Valentine (1921 - 2014)

We were sad to learn of the death of Albert Valentine who, with his wife Winifred, celebrated their seventieth wedding anniversary in May. Their happy photograph was on our front cover.

Our condolences to his wife and family.

## Out and about for garden enthusiasts

### Horticultural Society

**Afternoon garden walk** - in late June members and friends enjoyed a garden walk at Barnadiston House in Witham, a medium-sized town garden with a wide range of unusual, insect friendly plants and heritage vegetables.

### Amongst the Malvern Hills

**The** annual summer holiday in early July to Hereford and Worcester, staying at the Abbey Hotel in Great Malvern, was a wonderful five day break - gardens at their very best, a blaze of colour, including High View at Martley, described as 'inspirational and magical' with spectacular views over the Teme valley.

Cultural delights locally in Great Malvern's Priory Church included its ancient misericords (indulgence seats so aged monks did not have to stand through services), some as early as the 1300s, beautifully carved with country occupations, angels and grotesque figures. Outside Worcester we visited Elgar's birthplace cottage and a



museum surrounded by well-tended gardens (*below a sculpted Elgar in his garden, a favourite spot to be photographed with one of England's greatest composers*). The following morning we enjoyed a guided tour of Worcester Cathedral, one of Britain's loveliest. On the homeward journey our last garden was Kiftgate Court, spectacularly set on the edge of the Cotswold escarpment. Match that at home!

**And did we buy plants on our travels? Of course we did!**

### A gastronomical treat - food to delight in!

Every two years Tudor Lodge in The Street opens its garden and home to Horticultural members and friends, and a team of cooks, table layers and washer-uppers display their talents to give guests a day to remember. Seats in the sunshine and under umbrellas, a garden trail where the knowledgeable could identify twenty plants, bowling for the joint of pork, treasure

hunting or just enjoying a good chat - it was a perfect day, wonderful food, a garden at its best, good companionship - even the trickle of rain held off until the last went home.

Thank you Hedley and David for sharing your home with us, and to everyone who lent a hand - hope two years will pass swiftly by until next time!

### Dates for your diary

**Plant sale/coffee morning, Saturday 6th September**, Tudor Lodge, The Street, 10am - 12 noon

**September potato competition** - this month competition potatoes will be weighed

**Autumn Show, Saturday 4th October**, village hall, Maldon Road, 2pm

**Information from Clive on 01245 381704**

### Local gardens to visit

**Feeringbury Manor**, Feering. Gardens down to the Blackwater, sculptures. 9am - 4pm Thursdays/Fridays 4th - 26th September.



*The beautiful sculpted buzzards in the Rosebank Gardens above the Abbey Hotel in Great Malvern are the work of Walenty Pytel, an internationally respected metal sculptor. He is Polish, but has lived since childhood in England*

**Marks Hall gardens and arboretum**, Coggeshall  
Landscaped woodland walks, vistas across the lakes to millenium walk, 18th century walled garden.  
Tuesday to Sunday inclusive 10.30am - 5pm.

## Parish Council News

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### Election

An election took place on Wednesday 24th July 2014 to elect two councillors onto the council. There were four candidates standing for election. The two successful new members of the council are Leslie Priestley and George Boyd Ratcliff.

### Two Parish Council vacancies

There remain two vacant positions to be filled: if you are interested and would like to become involved in village matters then please contact the Parish Clerk

### 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

Erection of bungalow at land to rear of 12 Mortimer Road; change of use of two bedroom dwelling into office accommodation for eight people at Brettons Field, 4 The Street; erection of single storey front elevation and porch at 12 Ingelrica Avenue.

### The following applications have been approved by the District Council

Application for a minor material amendment of alterations to internal layout to provide an additional bedroom and erection of conservatory at land adjacent to 1 New Road; application for a Lawful Development Certificate for an existing use – use of the dwelling known as The Lodge as an independent dwelling at Kavalla, Ulting Road; erection of a single storey rear extension at 8 Mortimer Road.

### The following applications have been refused by the District Council

Erection of a 3 bedroom detached dwelling at land rear of The Swan View, The Street.

**Tree Preservation applications** - work to trees on grass verge, north west of Woodham Drive, Maldon Road; at 7 The Pines; and 1 Woodham Drive. **These have been passed to the Tree Warden for comment.**

**Tree Preservation Order granted** - work to trees at 12 Woodham Drive, Hatfield Peverel.

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

**A report on the successful Party in the Park is on the back page of this Review**

**Parish Council meetings - village hall 7.30pm first Monday in month 1st September, 6th October**

## New filtration equipment for Arla

Following the installation of new filtration equipment at the dairy to reduce odour problems, Arla would welcome real time information from Hatfield Peverel residents on the success of these measures. **If you notice an odour, contact - not the dairy - but the Environment Agency.** The agency's free phone is

0800 807060: they take all calls and will monitor reports on the data given. Do make your call as soon as you detect an odour, impact is lost if it is reported an hour, a day later. Complaint evidence is a useful measure to judge the effectiveness of the new equipment.

Arla values your input and is grateful for your help - hopefully the problem has been solved.

## Summer cruising, treasure hunting, punching, policing and harvesting!

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

**W**ine Club members have had a busy summer. Our May meeting was entitled Good With Spicy Food, and we tasted six wines allegedly able to stand up to robust flavours. The wines were sampled on their own and with an assortment of chilli-flavoured crisps, curry-flavoured poppadoms, prawn crackers and so on. All were amazed at how the spices altered the flavour of the wines – some stood up well to the assault, others submitted!

In June we set off on a virtual world cruise on the SS Peverel from founder member Denise Brazier's lovely garden, tasting wines from ports of call around the world – Portugal, Chile and California on the outward voyage, Australia, South Africa and Madeira on the inward. Wines were accompanied by an international buffet supper of food from all the ports - delicious South African boerewors sausages, Californian meatloaf with apricots and Madeiran honey cake. All were sporting the latest in exotic cruise wear, and some of the men were particularly striking in lurid tropical shirts! We are all very grateful to Denise for sharing her garden with us on such a beautiful evening under the light of the full moon.

July saw a change of scene when the annual walking Treasure Hunt hit the streets of Kelvedon. The clues had a literary ring - having been devised by Shakespear – members Nick and Jill Shakespear, that is! Everyone enjoyed their sleuthing stroll around this lovely village, and the post-hunt supper at The Sun Inn in Feering was very much 'As you like it' as well. Worthy winners were John and Judy Lea, their joy at winning slightly diminished by the thought they would have the pleasure of setting the clues for next year's hunt. Thank you to Nick and Jill for their hard work organizing a successful evening.

We scarcely had time to draw breath before the next event was upon us – the Wine Club's stall at

the Party in the Park in July, entitled Punch Up in the Park (nothing aggressive, just an enjoyable tasting of six different punches made by members and judged by visitors to the stall). A steady stream of willing tasters sampled the offerings, and remarkably little use was made of the spittoons! Scores from the tasting sheets were collated and results were close – only six marks separated the first three entries, but the worthy winner was Denise Brazier (of course), runner up Vee Green and third place Jean Prayel with her first attempt (undoubtedly not the last!) at punch-making. Winner of the bottle of wine for those scoring the wines was Peverel resident Marion Tanner - well done! **All non-members tasting the punches are reminded that they qualify for free admission to our September meeting – see details below – phone Vee first on 01245 355723.**

In August, we shall be out and about in Essex, visiting the Essex Police Museum in Springfield for an arresting evening viewing the exhibits and creating a few Identikit pictures of each other. On Wednesday 10th September the meeting in the village hall will be a Harvest Supper, when members and guests are invited to bring their own wines (or to buy drinks from the bar) while enjoying a 2-course ploughman's supper. Anyone thinking of coming to a Wine Club meeting for the first time would find this the perfect introduction, - those who returned tasting sheets at the Punch Up in the Park are entitled to free admission. Please ring Vee a ring on 01245 355723 to confirm attendance and start times. The club meets normally on the second Wednesday of the month at 8pm in the village hall - it is always worth phoning first.

## Blooming Great Tea Party

Wendy Doe

The tea party held on 2nd July was a great success and raised an amazing **£510 for the Marie Curie Cancer Care charity**. Many thanks to all who attended and to those who kindly donated prizes for the raffle. Roll on next year.



# **1st Hatfield Peverel Scout Group**

**(For boys and girls 6 -18 years)**

**Group Secretary: Suzanne Evans, 01245 382 397**

**T**he 1st Hatfield Peverel Scout Group was formed over 100 years ago; all units, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers, are well subscribed and hold weekly meetings in the Scout & Guide HQ in Church Road. There is also an adult support group, known as the SASU, which is open to all adults with an interest in scouting.

**Our AGM**, the first since the refurbishment of our HQ, was a thoroughly enjoyable evening. After the official business was complete, everyone retired to the garden to enjoy hot dogs and burgers from the BBQ, expertly cooked by Explorer Scouts.

## **Awards were made as follows**

**Beaver of the Year** - Jake Spicer

**Cub of the Year** - Charlie Marshall

**Most Improved Scout** - Charlie Abbott

**Kira Jarvis** was awarded her **Young Leaders Belt**

**Long Service Awards** were made to Irene Price (10 years) and Jo Jarvis (30 years).

**Many congratulations to you all.**

## **Investitures were made by District Commissioner, Derek Joyce**

**Cubs** - William Gemmell, Joshua Gemmell, Jack Marshall, Shashanth Polala and Keagan Rich.

**Explorer Scouts** - Jamie Hosking and Abel Shields.

**Beaver and Cub Camp** - Beavers and Cubs enjoyed a joint camp at Skreens Park, Roxwell. They had a super time and took part in exciting activities - circus skills, outdoor cooking, shooting, zorbing and a nature trail. Camp food was tasty and plentiful, thanks to the expertise of the camp chefs, and everyone returned home tired, but with happy memories.

**Scout Camp** - the Scouts hiked from the HQ in Church Road to the King Edward VIII camp site at Riffhams in Little Baddow. They took a scenic route via public footpaths and stopped midday for a picnic lunch. On arrival, they enjoyed dinner cooked over a camp fire. During the night and next morning, heavy rain fell: breaking camp was a wet affair and very muddy Scouts returned home. Despite the appalling weather, they had a great time and enjoyed utilising their map reading and camp fire cooking skills.

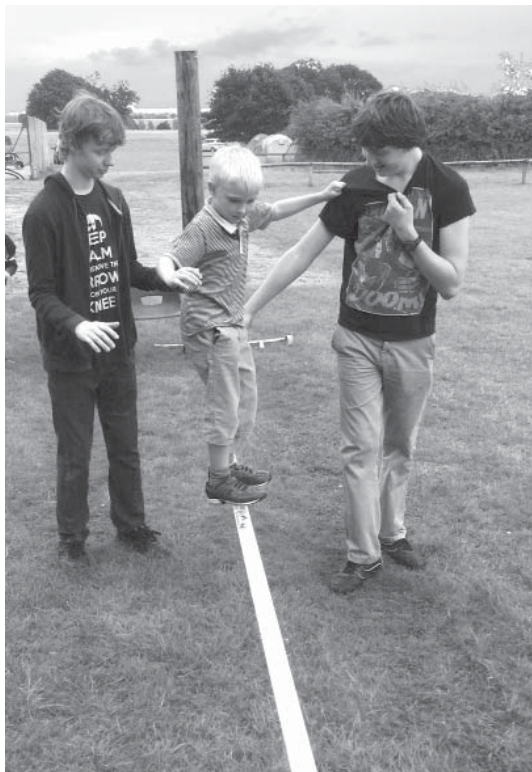
## **Fundraising**

**Everyone who shops on-line can help us with our fundraising by using the Easy Fundraising Website.**

Just shop via <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/1sthpsg> and a percentage of whatever you spend is donated to our Scout Group at no cost to you.

## **Monthly paper collection - first Saturday of each month**

In order to raise funds, the Scout Group carries out a monthly paper collection. Please leave out your newspapers, cardboard and cereal boxes etc by 9am on the first Saturday of the month. To those who kindly drop off their own newspapers and cardboard, please be aware that, due to repeated vandalism, the skip will now be locked between the hours of 5pm and 8am. Thank you for your continued support.



## Useful Contacts

**Group Chairman/HQ Bookings:** Chris Phillips,  
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**Group Administrator** (membership enquiries): Michelle Spicer,  
hpscoutgroup@gmail.com

**Newspaper Collection Co-ordinator:** Jonathan Dormon, 01245 382981,  
jonathan.dormon@btinternet.com

**Group Secretary:** Suzanne Evans, 01245 382397,  
boons\_calibre\_travel@lineone.net

## Meeting times

**Beavers,** Monday 4pm - 5.15pm

**Cubs,** Friday 6.45pm - 8.15pm

**Scouts,** Wednesday 7.30pm - 9pm

**Explorers,** Thursday 7.30pm onwards

**SASU** (adults only), first Friday in month 8.30pm onwards

Jo Oldfield, tel: 01245 381756



## Bicycles Change Lives

**Ken Earney**

**I**n Britain, millions of bikes are thrown away (like the one that ended up in the pond between the rec and Laburnum Way recently!) or lie unused in sheds, whilst many people in Africa have no access to transport of any kind. People spend hours each day walking to collect water, firewood or to access health care, school and employment. A bicycle lightens this burden and dramatically improves their wellbeing as well as work and education opportunities helping to bring social change. A bicycle cuts travel time to a fraction and can carry passengers and heavy loads. Bikes give families the extra time to earn, learn and enjoy life.

Re~Cycle is a national charity (www.re-cycle.org) with its headquarters, warehouse and central collection point at Wormingford, near Colchester. Here bikes (in whatever condition) are taken in,

prepared for shipment and every four weeks loaded into shipping containers and sent to various partner organisations in African countries - Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, South Africa, Zambia.



The other day I fished that bike - in a bit of a state with buckled wheels, bent derailleur mech and so on - out of the pond and took it to the convenient local collection point off Meadgate in Great Baddow where Tim Hatcher was very pleased to receive it.

If you have an unwanted bike that you want to get rid of, don't chuck it in the pond, give Tim a ring on 07956 106 398 and arrange to get it to him - he will be very pleased to receive it. Unfortunately, Re~Cycle can't collect.

## Bearded dragon - lost and found Sleuth David Goodey on the case!

*A Bearded Dragon (I've met a few of those!) lizard has been found in Priory Farm Road and now resides in a vivarium at Essex Wildlife Trust Orsett. Clearly someone's pet. If you can spread the word it may be recovered by its owner.*

PS: After a marvellous bit of networking in Nounsley the Bearded Dragon is back in its den. It made its getaway through an open window in Priory Farm Road and ended up in the hands of one of our members, Richard Ingleson (clearly a seasoned reptile handler). My email was passed to John Cockell's daughter who knew who the owner was!

## News from St Andrews Church

We are well into the Sundays after Trinity. The ruling colour in St Andrews is green, the colour of growth. It is easy to think of the long period of Trinity (extending to Advent) as a period where not much happens. In fact it is a time to pause awhile and think on the great festivals we have just had. It is possible to get so caught up in the drama of the great festivals that we fail to appreciate their significance. The festivals of Christmas, Holy Week and Easter, Ascension and Whitsun are pointers to something much greater; how we reflect on our faith and allow it to inform our lives. In allowing a period for growth the Church is following Jesus' example. He always took time out from the big events and large crowds to recharge his spiritual batteries and work out the implications of his vocation.



Back to Parish life. **Luncheon Club meets on the second Tuesday of the month.** Belinda Hull has taken over the organisation as Kay Coombes has moved to Bocking. We thank Kay for all her hard work and amazing menus over the last few years and wish her and Chris well in their new house. Coffee mornings continue to draw in much needed revenue but perhaps even more importantly, they are times of fellowship and, in a society that seems to be increasingly fragmented, anything that draws people together can only be a good thing.

Such an occasion is the 'Party in the Park'. Thanks to Charles Cope we had the use of his splendid tent and Mary Daw used the space provided in showcasing what we are about as a Christian community in Hatfield Peverel. The tent was quite busy at times and, again, it is about meeting and greeting people, offering them hospitality in a non-threatening way, sometimes a listening ear, and giving them the opportunity to talk.

Meeting and talking is one aspect of human society; the other is finding time for quiet reflection. On the second Monday of the month, at 6pm, a group meets for a period of quiet reflection, creating an oasis of calm using music and basic meditation techniques. If you would like to find out more, please have a word with Mary Daw, 380566. Alongside this are occasional 'Reflections in a Quiet Garden' times; we have had two at 'Crouchmans', led by John and Anna Tomlins. These are open to anyone, there are no beginners, all of us who meet are on the same footing.

Our annual Outdoor Service was a Pet Service. Despite threatening weather over forty people and pets (all dogs) turned up to celebrate God's gifts in terms of pets and what they do for us. The unconditional love a dog gives reminds us of the unconditional love God gives to each of us, most particularly in giving us his Son Jesus.

**The big event during August is 'Messy Journeys'.** This will be held on Monday 18th August at Crouchmans, Ulting, CM9 6QS; 10am for a 10.15am start. There will be worship and activities for everyone, young and old. Bring a picnic to share together. Drinks will be provided. If you would like to come, or to know more, or perhaps to help, please contact Anna Tomlins 380359 or Mary Daw 380566.

### What else have we in store for August/September

**Saturday 6th September:** 10am coffee morning and toy sale – Church hall.

**Sunday 7th September:** 4pm afternoon tea and at 5.30pm Evening Worship at Crouchmans. Contact Anna Tomlins 380359 or Mary Daw 380566 for further details.

**Sunday 14th September:** All-Age Harvest Thanksgiving Service including the blessing of the money raised for WaterAid. Please return your bottles by the 14th September or on the day itself.

**We are collecting good as new toys and children's books during August; please leave them in the church, the Vicarage or 5 Gardenfield.**

## Be careful what you pray for Mothers' Union

In June Mrs Jill Evans gave an interesting talk on the importance of prayer and how Jesus used the power of prayer in the time of his ministry, which began with the 40 days in the wilderness, being close to his Heavenly Father, resisting temptations of the devil, and discovering what would be required of him during the days ahead. After he had chosen his first 12 disciples he taught them how to pray - not ostentatiously, but quietly, sincerely and in private. This is the Lord's Prayer which we still use today. The most poignant of Jesus's prayers were as he neared the time of his crucifixion: as he died his agonising cry 'My God! Why hast thou forsaken me?' and 'Father forgive them for they know not what they do'. We can enrich our lives by the power of prayer, privately or in company with others. Chatting to God every day, asking for his guidance in all we do and the strength to do it is a good start.



Our speaker was unable to be with us in July so Fr Stephen stepped in and gave an interesting talk about Doubting Thomas whose Saint's Day falls on 3rd July. Thomas was the disciple missing when Jesus appeared for the first time to the others - he would not believe them when they gave him the news. He wanted to see the wounds of the crucifixion on Jesus before he would believe it was him. When Jesus came again and showed him, he was overjoyed.

Jesus said it is easy to believe when we have visible proof but blessed are those who have not seen absolute proof but still have faith and believe. Jesus did not blame Thomas for doubting but understood his deep grief at seeing his beloved Master slaughtered in such a cruel way.

**On 24th July** we enjoyed a Deanery Communion Service, welcoming seven other branches to St. Andrews. Canon Eileen French gave a talk about gifts and tea followed in the Church hall with branches contributing to refreshments and raffle prizes - a wonderful 'spread'.

**Tuesday 2nd September** Father Stephen will lead our Autumn communion service at 2.30pm.



*The Southend Songsters in the Salvation Army hall in May when they took the morning service*

## News from the Salvation Army

The Hadleigh Employment Training Centre hosted 'The Big Day Out' in June. Hatfield Peverel Quilters had a stall and raised £150 for Salvation Army funds. This will be split between children/youth/ and family support. A group of ladies meets weekly in our Maldon Road hall to work on various aspects of quilting and embroidery.

**Two new ventures in the pipeline**  
**Negotiations are under way for music teacher** Nichola Scholey to use the building to teach singing to children, and hopefully to build up a choir/singing group within the village. **Plans are also in hand to start a toddler group**, hopefully after the summer holidays. Name, day of week and time to be announced shortly.

**Harvest celebrations** planned for 20/21st September: Saturday evening, 7pm, a Harvest cabaret. Guests are singer Ian Jordan, brought up in the village and well known at weddings, parties and work celebrations. There is a brass quartet led by Paul Mitchinson from Thorpe Bay and dramatic dialogue by Darren Middleton and James Martin from Eastwood and Hockley respectively. Year 7 art students at Rickstones New Academy are painting a backcloth for the stage. £5 tickets (unreserved seat/light refreshment) are available from the Divisional Office in Maldon Road, Monday to Friday during office hours; or by post from Major John Turner, 60 Herbert Road, Shoeburyneess, SS3 9JR. Cheques to 'The Salvation Army' please.

## Methodist Church

**O**n 25th May we celebrated a further year of Methodist worship in our Church, established in 1874, with a service led by the Rev Peter Cutmore followed by lunch. We were pleased that friends from Open Door and supporters of our food bank collection were able to join us. At our Palm Sunday Service, our Minister, Rev Sue spoke about the lack of clean water for 1/10th of the world's population – about 750 million people. We decided to take up her challenge to contribute to Water Aid and a few of us agreed to save loose change for the period of Lent. We collected until this anniversary service and a sum of £75 was sent to the Charity. It confirms the old proverb that looking after pennies can be worthwhile.

At the end of June we joined Ulting villagers for their celebration weekend by joining in with their quiz on Saturday night in a marquee beside the river on a warm, still (and relatively bug-less) night. The sunny weather continued into Sunday for the ploughman's lunch, and strawberries and cream and finished with a service in the old Church which we filled with happy worship.

We were very pleased to welcome back Rev Sue on the 13th July. She has taken a sabbatical break which was well deserved. Her first service was centered around the parable of the sower who sows seeds on areas of rough, stony or good soil with varied results which illustrates how the Christian message can be received. Rev Sue reminded us our actions will not necessarily produce results immediately but what we say and do may have an impact in times to come. Our predecessors who built our Church in 1874 certainly were planning and praying for Methodism to stay alive in Hatfield Peverel for many years to come.

### Regular events

**Every Sunday** 11am Morning Service  
– everyone welcome

**Every Thursday** 10am - 12 noon - Open Door - come and join us for tea/coffee and friendly chat  
**2nd Saturday in month** 10am -12 noon - coffee morning and cake stall

**1st Monday in month** 7.30pm House Group.

## Small is beautiful....

**Hatfield Peverel Walkers - Graham Bushby**  
**01245 380472**

**A** small select group for the delightful walk around Woodham Walter in June, organised by Peter and Leslie Naish. Leaving cars at the Woodham Walter Bell the group followed the footpath through the Warren Golf Club, crossing several holes and taking the path around the edge of Thrift Wood to the old cricket ground, complete with ivy-covered pavilion, and along field edges via Lodge Farm down beside 'The Wilderness' and back to the pub for lunch. A good morning's walk.

August is holiday time, reflected in low numbers for the three locks walk along the Chelmer led by Chris Johnson. Members took the bus to Doe's corner and walked towards the river passing Hoe Mills, Rushes lock and stopping at Papermills for refreshment before returning home.

Whilst writing, this is an opportune moment perhaps to mention a couple of points.

When Ian and Wendy Goldsmith formed the group six years ago it was agreed by all that dogs would not be allowed on the walks. Although there was not a problem on today's walk, with a single dog it did set a precedent and majority opinion was the original rule should be reinforced so please no dogs on our walks in future.

Also we are an informal group and there is an assumption that each person is responsible for their own personal wellbeing and by attending recognises the risks in so doing. There is no insurance in place as a group and no one person is specifically responsible, organisation wise, for anything other than planning the route to be taken. Sorry if this seems a bit heavy but I should have pointed this out before we started off our walks but thankfully you all use your common sense when we come to the muddy bits!

Following walks, on the last Thursday of the month, are 28th August, 25th September, 30th October, 27th November and 18th December - short walk and Xmas pub lunch, Graham to organise.

## Autumn and a look at an exciting WEA programme

The season opens with the ten week course for the Autumn term

**WEA**

Subject **Current Controversies in Science**  
Tutor **John Pickard**  
Date **Tuesday 30th September 10am**  
Place **Scout and Guide HQ, Church Road.**

**The series of Autumn evening talks** will be held in the Methodist Church hall at 8pm. Tickets are £5 to include refreshments. The talks are

Tuesday 7th October - **Stow Maries Aerodrome** with speaker Roger Smith

Tuesday 4th November - **History of salt extraction on the Blackwater** with David Newman

Tuesday 2nd December - **Wildlife and Habitats of North Essex and Suffolk** with Alex Bass

### Spring Term

Subject **History of the World in 100 objects**  
Tutor **Frances Boardman**  
Date **Tuesday 13th January**  
Place **Scout and Guide HQ**

Look out for posters or contact Lesley Naish on 01245 380837 or Terry Bard 01245 381289 for further information.

## Community policing

PCSO 6642 Nikki Doubleday

Emergency calls 999

Non-emergency calls 101



**Your doorbell rings, you don't know the person on your doorstep, they want to sell you something.**

If you are unsure, before you have any dealings with the person on your doorstep, say you are going to ring 101. If they are genuine they will be happy to wait, if not they will be on their way.

Answering your 101 call is a person who is there to help you in a kind and friendly manner, to advise you on what to do next. Your call may alert the police that bogus callers are in the area and help to catch them.



## Remembering those who answered the call

Geoff Austin

**O**n Monday 4th August the congregation of All Saints, Ulting gathered at the War Memorial for a service to remember those who left the village 100 years ago for active service in World War One.

Starting at 11am following the striking of the Church bell the service, which was intended to focus on the departure of those who answered the call rather on those who did not return, took the form of prayer, poems and a Bible reading lead by Rev Sue King, the Methodist Minister of Hatfield Peverel, making this an ecumenical occasion. The service attracted about 30 people from both the village of Ulting and Hatfield Peverel together with members of the Methodist Church of Hatfield Peverel. A wreath of poppies made by a member of the congregation together with 'poppy-crosses' for each of those who did not return were placed on the memorial.

A week before the event the weather forecast had been of rain showers and clouds but the morning dawned bright and sunny - a perfect summer's morning. The gazebo which had been erected to serve as protection from the rain served instead as a sun-shade, a fulfilment of the last two lines of the poem 'The Soldier' by Rupert Brooke as used in the service ...

*And laughter, learnt of friends; and gentleness,  
In hearts at peace, under an English heaven.*

## Letter spot

A letter from Bob Hill on the threat to our village with government proposals to increase development allocation for the future.

*Wow! So after at least twenty years Hatfield Peverel has had an election for two Parish Councillors. The turnout was 53% - even the 2011 District Council election polled only 47%. The election has hopefully sent a signal to Braintree District Council (BDC) that the people are stirring! I wish our two new councillors the best of luck in countering with the eleven in situ councillors the threat facing our village.*



*So what is the threat? Development, development, development! In the village and all around the village. Hatfield Peverel is a victim of its own location and transportation links.*

*You (the reader) may be aware that BDC has cancelled its first version of its Local Development Framework (LDF) because it has learned that it does not provide enough houses in the district - it only called for about 250 each year until 2026 or about 3,000 over and above 700 on our doorstep in Witham and more in the village.*

*If you thought that the impact on the village was bad enough - you ain't heard nothing yet! BDC is now preparing a new LDF, which could be based on up to 900 houses each year until 2026 or 10,000 houses with perhaps more up to 2033! These will be on top of Maldon's plan for up to 5,000 houses with traffic destined for our village.*

*At the BDC meeting in June(?) that approved cancellation of the LDF, a councillor asked for an amendment to be included in the decision that BDC should lobby Government, our local MP, etc because the new plan would take no notice of 'Localism' or infrastructure. **This amendment was defeated - so Localism is dead as are the views of those who elected them!***

*So what to do? Firstly, call our two District Councillors to account at a public meeting (one of them sits on the LDF sub committee). Secondly, propose that our Parish Council draws up plans for significantly more robust responses to future proposals that pose a threat to the quality of life of our village.*

## Goodbye football pavilion

Our second letter is from Susan Blythe.

*Having read the welcome news in Parish Council minutes that neither a permanent or temporary building will be erected on the Strutt Memorial Ground, more popularly known as the Rec'.*

*I wondered if we can look forward to the barren and glass strewn plot from the old football club being seeded with grass and some trees planted. I hope so, as now without the football clubhouse, there is nothing to muffle the sound of footballs being kicked constantly and with ear splitting monotony against the chain fencing on the MUGA pitch to hamper a pleasant and relaxing afternoon in the garden.*

*I suppose that comes with the territory of playing in a cage rather than on an open field with two jerseys for goal posts. Most of us that live on the rec have never actually seen a game of basketball or netball being played on the MUGA, or even a game of five-a-side perhaps, and assume that the drinking that occurs there some nights, along with slamming the ball as hard as possible into the fence is the only reason it is called Multi-use Games Area? It should be renamed The White Elephant.*

*I look forward to further news about this site from the Parish Council in due course.*

## World Scout Jamboree - Japan

Congratulations to Tom Price who has been selected to represent the UK at the World Jamboree as a member of staff. Tom has been in Scouting since he was a Beaver at six years old and has worked through each of the sections up to Explorers. With only half a year left as a young person - you cannot be a Scout when you reach eighteen - he became a young leader. Here he tells it as it is.

**This year became a big year for me for my future in Scouting.**

At the beginning of the year emails were sent around the district about becoming staff for the 23rd World Scout Jamboree to be held in Japan. After realising I would not be able to attend as a participant (the under eighteen rule) I decided to throw myself in at the deep end and put myself forward for selection as a staff member. The main part of the journey started back in March when I was accepted for the selection day where people from all over the East of England converged on Borehamwood. The day consisted of team building, interviews and hard-graft work, all to prove whether we had what it takes to meet the workload we would encounter in Japan.



As a younger member of the movement at 17 I didn't think I had much chance against the older more experienced jamboree veterans. The next couple of weeks seemed like a lifetime just to see if I had managed to make the team or not. **Then I was given the honour to represent the UK at the world jamboree as staff and the journey really started.** I was invited to a weekend at Walseby Forest in Nottingham, where I would learn much more about the task I was undertaking, from the jobs, which I may end up doing, to how to keep healthy in the extreme heat of Japan. Most important of all this weekend gave me the chance to meet people in the same situation as me, being the only staff member from our district, and I have made many friends already without even undertaking the major challenge of the jamboree itself.

**But what actually will I be doing?** From 25th July till 14th of August 2015, I will be out in Japan helping and supervising 31,000 participants from across the world, as part of a 1,100 strong team from the UK. The first two weeks I will be on the jamboree site making sure that all participants are having a great time and helping to run activities. The final four days I have chosen to go on an action packed tour in Japan, which includes climbing Mount Fuji and free time in Tokyo city.

Unfortunately this comes at a cost, not just the tour but the jamboree itself. Overall I have to raise £2,500, not including the tour. I am doing this in a number of different ways, for a start organising quiz nights and a sponsored cycle to every scout hut in the district. **If you would like information about the jamboree itself visit the website [www.23wsj.jp](http://www.23wsj.jp).** I now have just under a year before I jet off to Japan and I am looking forward to all the challenges it will present to me.

**If you would like to help Tom, please get in touch on [tony@pricechurchroad.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:tony@pricechurchroad.freeserve.co.uk)**

## Village Quiz

**Saturday 8th November 2014**

**T**his year's charity quiz will be in the village hall starting at 8pm. It is **in aid of the Soldiers, Sailors and Airmens Families Association (SSAFA)** following on from last years very successful evening for Help for Heroes. Once again the evening is to encourage

all village clubs and pubs to enter a team at £5 per person or £25 for a maximum team of six persons. Individuals are of course welcome to come along also and teams will be made up on the night.

Further details will be announced nearer the time on village notice boards, in clubs, the village hall or through Graham Bushby on 01245 380472.

## Tales of our village

Hadfelda WI - Chris Marks

A wonderful look into Hatfield Peverel's past with June's speaker Margaret Joslin whose family have lived in Hatfield Peverel for many years - her grandparents at The Vineyards until Grandfather went off to the Somme. His parents lived at The Terrace, and bricks for the houses, of a distinct light yellow colour, were made from the clay in the field behind.

Many things have changed or gone for ever in The Street - no mill near the William Boosey which once stood five stories high. Greystones Cottage at the top of the hill was a cafe in the 50s especially used by thirsty cyclists on their way to the coast. The first village hall opposite the Methodist Church was an old army hut, and there was a forge at the end of three cottages (now The Blue Strawberry) where horses were shod.

The old Salvation Army hall and the school next to the almshouses have gone. More almshouses next to The Duke of Wellington were pulled down long before the A12 was built in 1963. The vicarage has moved too - from a big house on the site of Woodham Drive to The Pines before settling where it is today. The Duke was a well known stopping place; London coach trippers on their way to the coast for holidays or days out - the car park was full of coaches and London buses.

At the top of The Street was Redman and Hales Furniture Restorers - now the Co-op which years before was on The Green with the Co-op Villas next to it where their workers lived. The new-build houses on the corner of The Street and Church Road replace Wynne's' shop which sold knitting wools, sewing cottons, material, curtains, children's clothes and haberdashery. We had a police station down that end with two resident police families as well as our own Barclays Bank - that's progress!

*A very potted version of Margaret's fascinating talk - I think she should write a book - Ed.*

Continuing on a historical theme, in July Wendy Hibbit talked about the ten owners of Hylands House. Lawyer Sir John Comyns lived in the original farmhouse - he had a Queen Anne mansion

built on the site, finished in 1730. When he died the estate passed to his nephew John Comyns. It was later sold at auction to Cornelius Kortright, a wealthy Danish merchant, who had the house and gardens re-designed by Humphry Repton.

In 1814 banker Pierre Caesar Labouchère bought the 584 acres and enlarged the house. A keen horticulturalist he had a large heated greenhouse built for exotic fruits. He refused permission for the railway to go through his grounds but his son sold the property and the railway arrived!

For almost fifty years it was owned by Arthur Pryor, a JP and High Sheriff who built Widford School and Church, and Galleywood Church. Two aviators married in Widford Church and he allowed their pilot friends to fly in to Hylands. At the outbreak of WW1 the house was made ready for wounded soldiers. The then owner Daniel Gooch insisted on buying the medical equipment himself.

In 1920 Christine and John Hanbury were the next owners. John died in 1923 and Christine's son was one of the first pilots to lose their life in the second world war. When Christine died in 1962 Hylands was offered for sale and the Council bought it and the rest is history!

August's meeting is 'All the World's a Stage' with Kenneth Lodge, in September Keith Lovell will talk on the 'History of Essex through food'.



## Village hall happenings

**See Facebook under Hatfield Peverel village hall**

Normal opening times 7pm - 11pm

**Bingo** (third Thursday in month) 21st August, 18th September

**Brag** (first Monday in month) 1st September, 6th October

**Poker** (last Saturday in month) 30th August, 4th October

**Darts** Monday nights

**All bookings for hall and meeting rooms**

HPCAbookings@gmail.com

Phone Alan 07741 140732

**Village hall** (after 7pm) 01245 381481

## Out with the old, in with the new - official opening of Football Club's new pavilion

Celebrations for Hatfield Peverel Football Club on the opening of its new pavilion in Wickham Bishops Road. During the 1990s the club was looking for new premises and in 1998 the Parish Council acquired the ground. After years of uncertainty, funding difficulties, planning complications, the vision became a reality on Saturday 21st June, thanks to grants, £50,000 of fund-raising and the club's co-chairman Aaron Hayden's father Ron, an architect for forty years who helped to secure grants and worked on the design of the club. The £300K facilities were opened by ex-West Ham footballer Julian Dicks and Colchester United Manager Joe Dunne.

The club was formed in 1903 and with forty members was based behind The Duke of Wellington where they played friendlies in their formative years, later joining the North Essex League before the First World War. During the remainder of the 20s, the team played behind Shepherd's Cottage, Church Road, moving onto a ground in The Street, opposite Station Road, kindly donated by Mr Nigel De Mandeville Bond, of Springfield House, in 1926. The recreation ground in Maldon Road was given to the village by the Strutt family in 1936, and the football club moved into changing facilities on the new ground. The rec' was dug up to assist the war effort, and when the club re-formed after the Second World War they were able to return to the rec', re-seeded by Does, in about 1948.

Youth football took off in the late 60s/early 70s mainly instigated by village stalwart, Jock Thomson. The Jock Thomson 6-a-side tournament, started by his wife Rita in his memory in 1972, is played annually by junior players. Subsequently, the likes of Glyn Beasley, Paul Thorogood, Roy Peear and many others have ensured junior teams have gone from strength to strength. HPFC Youth FC gained Charter Standard status in July 2006, and has played at Wickham Bishops Road using temporary changing facilities since 2007. This year the Jock Thomson trophy was held on the new ground and Rita, like her husband a stalwart of village football, presented the prizes. She was also at the opening line-up.

There are ninety youth players and in the 2014-15 season the club will be running nine teams from U8s to U16s. There is also a development squad of five and six year olds. The strength of the junior section is paying dividends with the men's first and reserve teams having come through the junior ranks. Several girls play in these junior teams and there may be a girls team in the future. Training starts on 14th September when members are looking forward to enjoying and sharing their new facilities.

2013/2014 has been a most successful season for the club with four cup final winners and three runners-up, four teams winning their league competitions, and two sportsmanship awards.

New players interested in joining the club, ring Sylvia Kearsley, home phone number 01245 469252.

*Part of this item is drawn from an article on the club's website by Tim Tricker of Great Bentley FC.*



*Top - the demolition of the old football pavilion on the rec', and bottom, ex-West Ham left-back Julian Dicks, Hatfield Peverel Football Club co-chairman Aaron Hayden and Colchester United manager Joe Dunne after the opening ceremony*

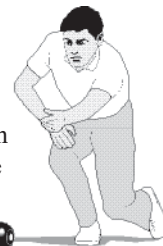
## Outside season well under way

**Bowling Club - Rita Thomson, Club Captain (380038**

**[www.hatfieldpeverelbowling.org](http://www.hatfieldpeverelbowling.org)**

Players are enjoying the good weather outside, and the friendly matches are going well. In the Mid-Essex League at the moment we are in second position, and the ladies' team are enjoying their games in the Chelmer Ladies' League.

Our annual strawberry tea and President versus Captains' match was held on 5th July. Over forty bowlers and guests had a lovely tea - thanks to Denise, Sandra, Chrissie, Pam, Julia, Pat and Derek for a great day. Champions this year are the captains' team.



The club's singles and pairs competitions are under way - sure to be some surprising results.

If you are interested in taking up bowls, do come and see us at Wickham Bishops Road or give me a ring for details, see number and club's website above.

## New season for Table Tennis Club

**Andy Simmonds 01245 381020/07932 057205**

The 2014/15 playing season starts in September when we are entering 4 teams in the Chelmsford League from Division 2 down to Division 4. We are looking for more experienced players to form a further team in the league, and in cup competitions throughout the season. There will be occasional practice tables during the season when new members may come and get to know us.

Our home playing night is Tuesday and we have members of all ages. We play league matches in the village hall in Maldon Road - these match evenings are friendly and good fun with 3 players from each team in a match playing 3 singles and one doubles game. There is a bar, excellent playing conditions and top class equipment.

### **Congratulations to our club competition winners**

**Handicap Singles** Neil Freeman

**Handicap Doubles** Gary Ward/  
Guy McKenzie

**Open Singles** Neil Freeman

Congratulations also to Dave Carter's team who were promoted to Division 3.



Anyone wishing to play or to re-start their playing career would be welcome, so please contact us by Tuesday 2nd September, our first playing night.

Please leave your contact details with either Neil Freeman on 01245 382249 or myself Andy Simmonds on 01245 381020 or 07932 057205

## Zumba with Steph

**Steph Gunn ([steph.gunn@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:steph.gunn@yahoo.co.uk))**

I nervously opened my first Zumba class in the village hall three years ago this September. Time passes quickly and I have enjoyed friendships gained and the fun we have had keeping ourselves fit and healthy.

To celebrate my 3rd anniversary, I am holding a party at the village hall from 8pm on Friday 12th September. I would like to extend my invitation to all Zumba class members, past and present, to join me for fun Zumba in a social setting. This is a **free** event, the bar is open!

I hold Zumba classes at St Andrews Junior School every Monday at 7.30pm and Wednesday at 8pm. Classes are open to all. More information about the party or my classes can contact me on 07951 574501.

## Maldon and District U3A

People who join U3A wonder how they ever had time to go to work! It's a wonderful way to get to know people, make new friends and learn about new things.

To find out more contact chairman Malcolm Case at [malcolmcase@gmail.com](mailto:malcolmcase@gmail.com) or on 01245 329435, or membership secretary Alan Clarke at [AlanL.Clarke@gmail.com](mailto:AlanL.Clarke@gmail.com) or on 01621 828093. Either will be happy to answer your questions.

## Useful telephone numbers

Please contact the editors for additions/errors.

**Age Concern Essex** 01245 264499  
**Anglian Water**, 24 hours 0800 919 155  
**Braintree District Council** 01376 552525

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 01245 380842  
 Catholic Church, Witham, priest 01376 512219

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

### Doctors, health services

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

**Electricity - emergency** 0800 7838838

**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  
 Witham 01376 519625

**Police** non-emergency calls 101  
 (use 101 also for the local officer)  
 emergency calls 999

Witham Police Station opening hours  
 Saturday - Tuesday 9am - 5pm,  
 Wednesday - Friday 8am - 8pm

**Post Office** 01245 380201

### Railway Information

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

**Both lists updated August 2014**

## 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** Sally Austin 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

Planning (P)  
 Traffic (T)  
 Village Environment (E)  
 Keith Bigden Memorial Ground User Group (KB)  
 Country Park Focus Group (CP)  
 External Audit Review (A)  
 Football Pavilion (F)

### Councillors (and their working parties)

**Lisa Miller, Parish Clerk** 01245 403071  
 parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.co.uk

**David Broddle** - Chairman 01245 382829  
 (P/KB/CP/A)

**George Boyd Ratcliff** 01245 380496

**Rosanna Briggs** (E) 01245 381618

**Garry Cockrill** 01245 697263

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

**Colin Giffin** (Planning chair/ 01621 892351  
 Country Park chair/T)

**Bernard Heard** - Vice Chairman 01245 380370  
 (P/T/A)

**Alan Ingram** (Traffic chair/E/CP) 01245 381880

**Leslie Priestley** 01245 380404

**Ted Munt** (Football chair/E/A) 01245 381135

**Diane Wallace** (P/CP) 01245 381485

### District Councillor

**David Bebb** 01245 381065

### District and County Councillor

**Derrick Louis** 07918 721526



## Six hours of sizzling sun - PiP 2014

Party in the Park - Garry Cockrill, Chairman

**F**amily fun, local stalls, live animals, live music, all day barbecue, Boot camps, Zumba, Rocket Men, crowd entertainers, candy floss, wine tasting, cocktails, face painting and a Church tent for quiet reflection! What more could we possibly have asked for the 2014 Party in the Park? For a while it seemed the cars would never stop coming as family after family pitched up with many with picnic at the ready.

Did I mention the Police cars complete with officers, fire engine plus crew and a climbing wall which resembled an ant hill for much of the day? Our thanks to the entertainers, services, and stall holders who provided entertainment, not forgetting the unflappable Girl Guides braving the heat of the barbecue who sold out of just about everything such was the constant demand for hot food on a hot day! **Our thanks also to the village hall for hosting the indoor events, provided drinks all day and a place of refuge from the storm as darkness fell.**



The excellent Essex singer Cassie opened the show followed by new girl Natasha Corrigan and old favourite Ian Jordan. Special thanks to Loaded Dice for 'storming on to the stage' despite the accompaniment of thunder and lightning as the heavens opened. Some ran for cover whilst others, including the entire St John Ambulance crew, danced in the rain and shouted for more.

We would like to thank everyone who attended, visited a stall or attraction or just listened to the music. You made it the biggest and best party we have hosted to date. Thanks also to our local neighbours for putting up with our noise until late in the evening. We would love to see you all next year - if not as a visitor then why not a volunteer or even a stall holder? It takes a small committee a whole year of planning to get this village day together so any help is much appreciated. It also takes a generous Parish Council to help fund what is becoming an ever growing event.

In the end it is always worth the effort. Those involved take pleasure in providing a fun day for all the family with an opportunity to showcase local clubs, businesses, attractions and live entertainers. It is also a great way to support some of our nominated local charities who this year will receive three hundred pounds each as proceeds from the day.

If you would like to be involved next year in any capacity please call...?..to make your interest known.

Have a great summer and hope to see you all next year.

