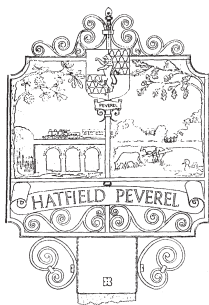


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## HATFIELD PEVEREL REVIEW

### Issue No1 - January 1974

We would like to say a big thank-you to you all for getting your reports to us so promptly this month and for keeping them to size. (long may it continue!)

We are celebrating forty-nine years of publishing the Review this year. No champagne yet, there's another twelve months to go.

How it came about. The Parish Council had been considering a village magazine when Martin Voysey was chairman in the '70s. One cold day there was a knock on the door and a friend of Ken's from Marconi's Bob Mountford - also a councillor - called for a chat, wondering if I would like to take on the Review. He knew I had worked on the Marconi house magazine for several years.

And here we are, nearly fifty years later and how times have changed, Ken and I included. The Review began with eight pages - two double page spreads every two months. I rang contributors who sent in their copy, usually handwritten or typed. These days we rely in photographs to enhance our 20plus pages, the first appeared in November 1974 on the back page. Those who were around may remember the fight for Gypsy Lane, soon to be bulldozed.

Back to the 90s everything changed, we entered the IT age. Where turnaround between receiving the copy (no scraps of paper but a computer) and the magazine entering your door had been perhaps three weeks, it arrived in a week or less. News more up-to-date.

This is where Ken came in. In 1992, whilst working out a 12 week redundancy notice (!) at Marconi's (Basildon) he received his first-ever experience of IT in a word processing course at the training centre, later deciding to get PC and desktop publishing software. So why not do the Review in-house? That's what we did, with lots of support from Steve at Beeleigh Litho then Steve and later Dave at Kempco in Witham.

*Front cover: This delightful display in our library promoting Story Time was designed by Infants School children*



## The Big Garden Birdwatch - 27-29 January 2023

The largest citizen science wildlife survey in the UK

In our garden this morning an early start for me produced five blue tits, one great tit, four wood pigeons, one dunnock, one blackbird, two robins and four squirrels. Ken managed one blackbird, two blue tits, one coal tit, one robin, one magpie, three wood pigeons. Not a very good result - we tossed a coin and I won. The exotic peacock below - Percy - was best pal of our friend Bob who lived up the road. He sometimes finds solace in our garden, he and I are mates but he's not so fond of Ken - (and that's reciprocated. K!)



The following comes from the RSPB - thank you for the robin..

The BGB event has been running for more than 40 years and in 2022 almost 700,000 people across the UK took part, spotting more than 11,556,000 birds. For one hour in gardens, balconies, local parks they counted the birds seen. It is interesting that in those far off days when the children were young we counted plentiful sparrows, starlings, greenfinches and chaffinches. This year and previously not one. Millions of birds have been counted over the years, giving the charity an enormous amount of information about birds who are doing well, and those who are struggling. Whatever you saw, even if nothing at all, please let the RSPB know. The more people that submit their findings the better picture they will have of



how garden birds are faring

The Big Garden Birdwatch helped the RSPB identify the drop in song thrush numbers, which are down a massive 81% compared to the first BGB in 1979. It came in at 20 in the rankings last year, seen in just 8% of gardens.

Thank you to everyone in the village who helped this year - the love you showed is good for the birds and for you..

## Telephone System Upgrade for Sidney House & The Laurels Surgery

Over the last eighteen months patient negative feedback and complaints about getting through to the surgery on the 'phone steadily increased. Patients reported immense difficulty getting into the phone queue, experiencing long waits on hold, and getting cut off. The 'fastest finger first' at 8am in the mornings to get through was causing a great deal of stress, and sadly our reception team often bore the brunt of that frustration.

In response to patient feedback, we are delighted to share that this month we have completed a full telephone system upgrade.

Patients asked whether we could increase the number of people able to be held in a queue, this has been done and now up to 30 people can queue (previously it was only 7). If there are more than 10 people already queuing, patients can choose to stay on hold, or use the ring-back facility – all whilst maintaining their position in the queue.

So far the feedback we have received since the upgrade has been overwhelmingly positive and the reception team have reported much happier patient interactions. We will continue to monitor the new system performance and welcome all patient feedback.

Alexandra Jones  
Practice Manager  
Sidney House & The Laurels Surgery.

## **Spring is around the corner - and the society's schedules are here**

**Trina Butcher, Horticultural Society Publicity, [www.e-voice.org.uk/hatpevgardens](http://www.e-voice.org.uk/hatpevgardens)**

**Available now** - you can collect your 2023 year book/schedules from Upsons Farm Shop, join the society and get your membership card. Subscriptions £3, senior citizens £2.

Look at the year book, not only about growing but enjoying talks and our countryside. Not exactly 'out in you garden' weather but evenings are lighter and its a good time to get your utensils in order and ready for business.



Meanwhile our first speaker meeting is

**Hyde Hall - past, present and future, with Ian Bull, Thursday 23 March.** Meet in St Andrews Church hall 7.30pm for 8pm All welcome; members free, non members £2. Refreshments.

**Spring Show, Saturday 1 April.** Village Hall, doors open 2pm, come and see the show and enjoy refreshments. Time to think about preparing - growing, cooking (not quite yet), sewing, knitting, painting, taking photos. All competition details in the year book

**A reminder** - our five day break on 9 - 13 July is to Farnham in Surrey. There are vacancies, if you are interested visit our website - <https://e-voice.org.uk/hatpevgardens>, pick up a copy of our year book or call Clive on 07771 536938.

## **This year will be a challenge for us all - winter 2023**

**HPPA extends its very best wishes for a happy and productive New Year to all readers.**

**W**inter is typically a quieter, seemingly inactive time of year. Yet this year predicts more challenges than normal, reflecting on last year's extreme weather events and the impact on our crops. Prior to Christmas we endured severe frosts damaging our overwintering veg and hardy perennials. What will this year bring?

Global warming is changing our climate. Annual temperatures are rising, so we must adapt. Traditionalists continue with winter digging whilst modernists resort to cardboard and compost. Neither sure which is best for our carbon footprint. Doom-mongers are forecasting a shortage of vegetables this year. Many, thinking there is little we can do, abdicate responsibility. But with change comes opportunities such as:

- > With forecasts of warmer, wetter, spring seasons, starting tender vegetables off earlier and cropping sooner.
- > Long hot summers suggest Mediterranean veg like broccoli, peppers, tomatoes, and fruits: melons, bananas, avocados, strawberries, blueberries, cape gooseberries, and more.
- > And by delayed sowing, runner and French beans can be harvested in October/November.

But as this is England, we're sceptical, we watch, wait, and hope for the best. The message for this year must be 'Hope for the best but prepare for the worst' and do this by 'being bold, active, and aware, and go for it!' Do something adventurous and make a positive difference. Residents of Hatfield Peverel, 'take action' do something to enrich and contribute to your community. For example:

- > residents make up barely half of current plot holders, despite priority being given to resident applicants
- > more worrying; our committee has only three local residents out of ten volunteering to help manage the sites. The allotments are village heritage assets, we want them to be there for you and your future generations. Gardening is very beneficial for health, happiness, and fresh food. So, if you are looking to inspire others to make a difference, come and join us. [www.hpaa.org.uk](http://www.hpaa.org.uk) scroll down to the "sign up to our waiting list" box and click!

## A busy lead up to Christmas

Hatfield Peverel St. Andrew's Junior School

Late last year the children participated in 'mood boosting' Macarenas (*right*) to support the **Children in Need** appeal and the children kicked off England's World Cup campaign in style with a (very noisy) packed school hall!



A highlight for the children in **Year 6** has been making World War 1 soup and tasting 'trench cake' as part of their WW1 topic.

Some children in **Year 5** took part in a Mastermind competition at Great Baddow High School coming in an impressive 3rd place!

Our **Year 4** children performed 'Christmas is Forever' to their families and the feedback was wonderful – the children shone so brightly.

November and December were incredibly busy months for children and staff alike with the build-up to Christmas bringing plenty of festive fun and warmth to all of us. We celebrated in school our annual Christingle service – all the children made Christingles and these were lit in a special virtual Christingle assembly.



Our Christmas bazaar hosted by our wonderful hard-working JSA, raised in excess of £3,500 and we are enormously grateful to them for the time and effort put in to making this such a success. It was lovely to see members of the community supporting this and hearing their feedback about our lovely school – thank you! The school panto was raucous and the children loved it – a wonderful St. Andrew's tradition leading up to the festive break - as is the Christmas disco which was a lot of fun!

We were so proud of our school choir singing at the village Christmas event – they sang so beautifully.

### Sunrise and Sunset Clubs – Wraparound Care

Our before and after school clubs continue to grow and we are pleased that more and more families are signing up to them.

**Sunrise Club** – runs from 7.30am to 8.40am.

**Sunset Club** – runs from 3.10pm to either 4.30 or 5.45pm.

Further details of our wraparound care can be obtained from the Junior School Office on 01245 380131 or [admin@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk)

With our (belated) best wishes for a healthy and happy 2023! Becky Black - Headteacher

## Parish Council February 2023

Sarah Gaeta, Parish Clerk; Carly Truman, Assistant Clerk

Parish Council office, Community Association Village Hall, Maldon Road, Hatfield Peverel, CM3 2HP

### To make an appointment to see the Clerk in person

Please telephone 01245 382865, or email [parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.com](mailto:parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.com) or [assistantclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.com](mailto:assistantclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.com) between the hours of 9am and 1pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.



### Duke of Edinburgh Scheme

The Parish Council is accepting applications for litter picking voluntary work under the Duke of Edinburgh Scheme. Please complete an application form if you would like to be considered. The form can be downloaded from our website, or you can email us to request a copy:

<https://www.hatfieldpeverelpc.com/duke-of-edinburgh-scheme/>

### Crime Concerns

Please remember you can call 101 for crime prevention advice or to report a crime that does not need an emergency response. It is very important to report crime to the Police so that they can build up a 'picture' of what is happening in the area.

The Parish Council is working in partnership with Essex Police to recruit two Special Constables. If you are interested in applying to be a voluntary Police Officer for the village, please see our website for further information and the answers to frequently asked questions: <https://www.hatfieldpeverelpc.com/special-constable-recruitment/>

### Planning

Planning decisions are made by Braintree District Council, following consultation with residents, the Parish Council, and other agencies where necessary. For information on what planning applications have been received, granted and refused by Braintree District Council, please see the weekly planning lists which are updated daily and available to view here:

[https://www.braintree.gov.uk/info/200225/search\\_and\\_track\\_planning\\_applications/592/weekly\\_lists](https://www.braintree.gov.uk/info/200225/search_and_track_planning_applications/592/weekly_lists)

### The Parish Council considered the following applications at its December and January Planning Committee meetings, with no objections (unless otherwise indicated)

- 22/02708/VAR Variation of Condition 2 and 3 of permission 15/01186/FUL at Willowmead Nursing Home, Wickham Bishops Road.
- 22/02914/FUL Single-storey detached outbuilding for use as lab/workshop at Cotswold, Station Road.
- 22/02972/HH Erection of carport at Woodside, Terling Road.
- 22/02725/HH Proposed two-storey side extension, single-storey rear extension and single-storey front extension at 20 Woodham Drive.
- 22/03069/HH Erection of front porch and alterations to elevations at Cherry Tree Lodge, Maldon Road.
- 22/03121/VAR Variation of Condition 2 of application 18/01325/FUL at Land Adjacent to Lodge Farm, Hatfield Road, Witham.
- 22/02921/TPO Tree works at 107 Church Road. Tree Warden's report submitted.
- 22/02969/TPO Tree works at 7 The Pines (1). Tree Warden's report submitted.
- 22/03216/TPO Tree works at Melford, The Pines. Tree Warden's report submitted.
- 22/03313/FUL Change of use to ecological mitigation area 5 at land West of Bury Lane.



22/03315/FUL Change of use to ecological mitigation areas 6 and 7 at land South East of The Street.  
22/03461/FUL Change of use to ecological mitigation area 8 at land North East of Hatfield Road.  
22/03314/FUL Change of use to ecological mitigation area 9 at Land South East of Hatfield Road.  
22/03311/FUL Change of use of annexe to hairdressing salon at Berwick Bungalow, Terling Hall Road.  
22/03481/TPO Tree works at 7 The Pines (2). Tree Warden's report submitted.

### Website

Don't forget you can view all Parish Council news on the website: <http://www.hatfieldpeverelpc.com>

### Social Media

Please follow the Parish Council on social media for news and updates:

Facebook: [@hatfieldpeverelpc](#)

Twitter: [@HatPevPC](#)

**The Parish Council's Social Media policy can be viewed on its website:**

<https://www.hatfieldpeverelpc.com/policies-and-procedures/social-media-policy/>

**The next meetings of the Parish Council** will take place on Monday 6 February and Monday 6 March 2023, held in the Vic Olley Room at the Village Hall. Public participation is welcome, please see the agenda which is published on the Parish Council website and on the noticeboard outside the Parish Council office.

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## A health check for our NDP

**The NDP group is very pleased to report the reviewed Plan has had a health check.**

A meeting subsequently took place on 17 January between the NDP group, Parish Council's Consultants and the Policy Officer from Braintree District Council (BDC) to review the Plan following the health check and agree amendments.

At time of writing work on the Sustainability Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Habitat Regulation Assessment (HRA) screenings has started and should be completed by the end of January. These will immediately be provided by BDC to the Environmental Agencies.

The Consultants also anticipate having the draft Plan ready for consultation by that time too.

It is therefore anticipated Regulation 14 consultation will start in early February. The consultation period will be for six weeks which will give you and statutory consultees the opportunity to provide thoughts and comments on the reviewed Plan and accompanying documents.

**For ease a questionnaire will be available on the PC website for completion and return to the Parish Council. It is also intended to open the village hall for an afternoon/evening to give you the opportunity to view the documents, and to chat with the NDP group. Copies and questionnaires will also be made available in the library during the consultation period.**

Please do keep an eye on the PC website, notice boards around the village, and the PC/NDP Facebook page (if you have access) for the consultation dates and open event in the Village Hall.

<https://www.hatfieldpeverelpc.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1853205041362570>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/HatfieldPeverelPlan>

The NDP group, within their powers of control, have worked hard to address issues of concern raised by residents, but would very much welcome your feedback.

## A warm welcome to you on these cold mornings...

### ...and a happy New Year from Hatfield Peverel Village Hall

The Community Café is back, open after the Christmas break, and provides a lovely warm space on these chilly mornings and afternoons. Post-school business is going particularly well and it's a great place to have a cuppa if your children are attending any of the afternoon clubs at the hall. The Café is open weekdays from 9 -11am in the mornings and 2:30 - 4:30pm in the afternoons so do pop in for teas, coffees, soft-drinks and cakes.

The Every Members Club (EMC) meets every Wednesday, 1 - 3pm, and is open to everyone and very popular at just £3 for refreshments and entertainment. It's the best value and friendliest ticket in the village. We welcome a new group to the hall on Saturday mornings – Autistic and Children with Needs; 10am -12 noon, just £4 per child for arts, crafts and fun.

**To see all the clubs and activities at the hall, go to the clubs page on our website at [www.hatpevvhall.org](http://www.hatpevvhall.org).**

In January we had a fabulous Status Quo tribute act (QUO'D) who began their UK tour at the hall on 28 January. It sold out so no tickets on the door. We follow up in February with 'The Jam Project' on 18 February, and then 'ABBA Nation' on 25 March Help support the hall charity by coming along to any of these events if you can. If you'd like to get involved, please send us an email or pop into the lounge and have a chat.

We are in the process of starting a film club for children, teenagers, and adults, to be run in the Vic Olley room at the hall. If you are interested in helping set this up, getting involved with running the club, or just have some ideas on the films you'd like to see, get in touch using the contact information below.

All details on our website ([www.HatPevVHall.org](http://www.HatPevVHall.org)) and on the village hall noticeboards – and on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/hatfieldpeverelvillagehall](http://www.facebook.com/hatfieldpeverelvillagehall).

Stay in touch by signing up to our mailing list (click the link on the website home page), or send us an email to [Secretary@Hatpevvhall.org](mailto:Secretary@Hatpevvhall.org). Alternatively, for general enquiries call us on 01245 381481 or to make a booking 07591 041718.



January	February	March
Saturday 28th Music - QUO'D	Friday 3rd Bingo Saturday 18th The Jam Project	Friday 3rd Bingo Saturday 25th ABBA Nation

## Fancy a coffee, a chat - and a cake - in the village?

### Coffee mornings

**St Andrews Church** every first Saturday in the month - 4 February, 1 April, 6 May from 10.15am to 12 noon. Stalls include cakes, cards, raffle, bric-a-brac and plenty of coffee.

**Helen Rollason Cancer Charity** - hurrah, a welcome return to monthly coffee mornings at the Mid Essex Support Centre in The Street every third Saturday of the month; 18 February, 18 March, 15 April from 10am to 12 noon. We are looking for volunteers to help us support these events. Contact ZoeZoe Jay, Head of Fundraising/[www.helenrollson.org.uk](http://www.helenrollson.org.uk) or telephone 01245 380719.



## Borrowing and returning books - a little history

Margaret Freeman, Heritage Warden

A history of library lending services in Hatfield Peverel can be traced back to about the 1920s. Miss TM Hope ('Tessa Hope') of Crix undertook the duties of local librarian. Tessa was helped in her work by Mrs C Mather of Cupresses, Church Road.

Tessa Hope and Mrs Mather served as volunteer librarians for the village until the point of their resignation in 1947. Mrs S Hiscock picked up the baton in 1947 and served until 1956; Mr D Old until 1963; Mrs MW Barnes until October 1968; Mr J Clarke until 1970; and thereafter Mrs Lyn Mickelsen and Mrs Mary Hills took charge.

Back then, books were borrowed and returned to the kitchen of the 'old' Village Hall which was located almost opposite the Methodist Church. At opening times, the doors were removed from the cupboards lining the walls and row upon row of books were revealed. Nounsley relied on a mobile library van service.

With the expansion of Hatfield Peverel in the 1960s/70s - the village was in dire need of an improved book loan/return facility. The new Library on The Street - adjacent to Hadfelda Square - was completed and opened its doors in 1975. Back then, The Review reported that:

*'The Library occupies almost the whole of the building and is of open plan interrupted only by supporting columns. It comprises an entrance hall, adult and children's learning libraries, a small quick reference library, and general seating. A part of the building has been separated as staff room, work room and general utility area. The total floor area is approximately 190 square metres'.*

The Heritage Warden is documenting memories that parishioners may have of library services in Hatfield Peverel. You may recall going to the 'old' Village Hall back in the day to borrow and return books? Perhaps you were one of the first to take out a book from the new Library in 1975? If there is a snippet of information that you wish to share, please email Margaret Freeman, Heritage Warden: [heritage@hatfieldpeverelpc.com](mailto:heritage@hatfieldpeverelpc.com) or just telephone Margaret on 07776 123 844



## February must be the month of the Library!

The design on the front cover of this February Review is on permanent display in the Library in the children's section, designed and painted by the Infant School children to advertise Story Time. The colours are amazing.

Also in February

**Tuesday 14 February** Family Day 2-5pm. Enjoy yourselves and have a good look round with the children

**Saturday 18 February** Love Your Library. A busy therapy day with refreshments

**Last Saturday in the month, 25 February** at 11.30am story time with Helen.

**Saturday 25 March 10am visit** from Essex Police

- 1 - Antisocial Behaviour/2 - Crime/
- 3 - Banking protocol and fraud.

**Essex Knitters and Stitchers**

**Second Wednesday of month 10am - 12 noon**

### Correction - December edition

In that edition it was reported that our local PCSOs attended the Library for a 'Cuppa with a Copper'. The correct rank is that of Special Sergeant and not PCSO as previously stated.

Hatfield Peverel is very grateful for all their efforts in keeping the parish safe..

## Celebrating the New Year with a bracing walk....

Hatfield Peverel Walkers

December saw us gathering at The Wheatsheaf for our usual Christmas lunch – another enjoyable occasion, thank you Graham.



In January a select group of us walked from Braintree Station, along the old railway track (part of the Flitch Way) to the former Rayne Station. There we enjoyed a welcome hot drink on the station platform before returning. This walk was shorter than usual, and there weren't any hills, but it is very pleasant, particularly in the winter when we can be sure that we won't be trudging through muddy fields!

The next walk will be on Thursday 23 February, starting as usual at 10 am from the Village Hall.

We meet on the last Thursday of the month, start at the Village Hall at 10am but ring to check if unsure on the number below. The walks generally last for about 3-4 hours and cover 4-5 hours - but please no animals. There is no subscription and if you would like more information please contact Graham Bushby on 07484 864712 and leave your name and contact number if there is no immediate answer and we will get back to you shortly.

We love our local walking - we visit old 'friends' at different times of the year to see how the flora and fauna has changed.

## Want to widen your choice?

With Spring on its way we start to think about getting out to walk in the beautiful English countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks? The website **Walking in England** <https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk> (maintained by John Harris) has loads of walks to download and print, free. It also has books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the

information is there in one place. He says 'There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Essex (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles or longer, and with a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

So home or away, check out the websites and get walking! **Note that the Essex site lists of walks include several of our own favourites - seven from Catherine Voysey's booklet 'Nine Walks in Hatfield Peverel'.**

## Appreciating the Romantics

Lesley Naish



Following a very enjoyable course on Art Inspired by East Anglia with tutor Sue Pownall, we were looking forward to hearing Roger Cooke telling us about the impact various diseases have had on the course of history. Sadly, Roger is unable to teach the course this term.

Spring is in the air! And we are now looking forward to another course – Appreciating the Romantics – with Ron Marks. The course explores in detail some of the poetry of Wordsworth, Coleridge, Keats and Shelley, showing how they responded to radical changes in their world while creating a revolution in poetry itself.

The first session was on Tuesday 31 January at 10am in the Scout HQ, and will run for 6 weeks. There is still the opportunity to enrol – either online at [wea.org.uk](http://wea.org.uk), or by phone on 0300 303 3464. The course reference is C2229677 and the cost is £48.

Please come and join us. You can contact Lesley Naish, on 01245 380837 for further information.

## Artistic Guides decorate the library for Christmas

Jo Earthy, Guide Leader

Every year, for quite some time now, the girls from the Guide unit have made displays for the library. This year (*see decorations on right*) we did two pictures, The Grinch and The Snowman.

I am told they were often remarked upon with kind words and we would like to extend our thanks to the villagers for their comments. Huge congratulations to the girls who worked so hard producing great pieces of art.

As a district (which includes all units in Hatfield Peverel and Boreham) we will be celebrating our Thinking Day this year (22 February) with a gathering of all aforementioned units one afternoon, to come together and mix all ages and abilities under one roof where we can have fun and learn new skills.

If anyone wishes to join any of our units, either a child or as an adult volunteer, you need to register your interest on the Girlguiding website [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk) where I will then be notified and will get in touch.



## December meeting a great success Hadfelda Ladies Group

Our December meeting was a bit of an experiment as for many years the club has held its Christmas celebrations in November. However it turned out to be a great success. Although the weather was dreadful, 20 plucky members turned up to enjoy some amusing games and a few seasonal readings followed tea and cakes. It was such a success that the December meeting will now become a regular occurrence.

To start the New Year our January speaker was Mark Weale and what an interesting and entertaining talk he gave us. Mark is probably best known for being chairman of Hatfield Peverel Parish Council but he is also a school governor, runs the Every Members Club, visits schools helping children with business skills and for many years was a DJ, although his 'day job' was with Essex & Suffolk water. His family are all local and some of his relatives used to run a couple of the village pubs including The Duke of Wellington in the days when dozens of coaches stopped there for refreshment. Mark had some amusing stories about his Aunt Viv who was a long-time member of the WI and is remembered fondly by many of our group.

The speaker at our next meeting on Wednesday 22 February is Marrie Webster who will entertain us with her reminiscences as a teacher and on Wednesday 22 March we have Dot Reed. Our meetings are held in St. Andrew's Church Hall on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 2pm. Visitors are always welcome.



## News from St Andrews and All Saints

What a change from last year! We could sing those well-loved tunes that make Christmas so special. We hope we never have to endure Covid restrictions again. The positive aspect was that, because we had to follow the words of the carols and hymns, we learnt a lot about the minds of the authors who wrote them.



Usually by this time of the year New Year's resolutions have been forgotten, or 'modified'. Giving up chocolate gets modified to one bar a week, which then goes up to two bars, etc. It is a little late to wish everyone a Happy New Year - can we go into this year with a sense of hope? One resolution I am determined to keep is to support the Braintree and Witham Foodbank and I am going to use the supermarket multi-buy offers - if there is a four-can multi-buy on, say, baked beans, one of those can go into the Foodbank. New Year is a time for reflection on the year past, but it should be a time to look ahead to the year that is to come.

From the service point of view it was a delight to welcome St Andrews Junior School and parents for a Christmas Service, the last was Christmas 2019. There was a sense of real joy that morning, something which carried on with the other Christmas services. It was most encouraging that we could run all the services promised in the Christmas Card, and with a larger attendance. In spite of the difficult economic situation that many are facing, and depressing news on the world stage, the fact that people turned up at all shows that the Christmas story still has the power to draw people into its embrace.

We are now in Epiphany which concentrates on the revelation of Jesus of Nazareth as the Messiah, the Christ, to the world. The Christmas/Epiphany part of the story ends at the Feast of The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas) - this year we celebrated Candlemas on Sunday 29 January with lots of candles.

Lent officially begins on Wednesday 22 February and there will be a service at 7.30pm at St Andrews. For our Lent Course we will concentrate on Paul's 1st Letter to the Corinthians, looking at the concerns of a new Christian community as well as the first sermon attempting to answer the question, 'What happens when we die!.' This begins on Monday 27 February and for five Mondays following. Hopefully we will use 'Zoom' in addition to meeting in someones house. Mothering Sunday is on Sunday 19 March, preceded by 'Mothering Saturday' where we meet in the church at 9.30am to bunch the flower and prepare the simnel cake, along with craft for any children who come along. For further details and other event at both churches, log on to the Hatfield Peverel and Ulting Church website [hatfieldpeverelultingchurches.org.uk](http://hatfieldpeverelultingchurches.org.uk) or phone 380958.

**For Holy Week and Easter Fr Derek and I will have the normal services details in the April Review.**

<b>Services at St Andrews:</b>			
5 February	3rd Sunday before Lent	5 March	2nd Sunday of Lent
	10.15am Mattins (Morning Prayer)		10.15am Mattins
12 February	2nd Sunday beforeLent	12 March	3rd Sunday of Lent
	8am Holy Communion (said)		8am Holy Communion (said)
	10.15am All-Age Service	<b>19 March</b>	<b>Mothering Sunday</b>
19 February	Sunday before Lent		10.15am special Mothering Sunday
	10.15am Parish Eucharist		Service with Holy Communion
22 February	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	26 March	5th Sunday of Lent
	7.30pm Holy Communion and		- Passion Sunday)
	Imposition of Ashes		10.15am Parish Eucharist
26 February	1st Sunday of Lent	<b>2 April</b>	<b>Palm Sunday Service</b>
	10.15am Parish Eucharist		- with Distribution of Palms

## All Saints, Ulting

The Carols by Candlelight Service at All Saints was held on a particularly chilly afternoon with the threat of snow. The warmth of festive cheer from the congregation inside the Church more than compensated, as they joined in with some popular carols and listened to festive poems and the Bible's account of the Nativity. The Hadfelda Singers were on hand to lead the carol singing and they also sang When A Child Is Born, Light A Candle and The Virgin Mary Had A Baby Boy. After the Service everyone congregated in the marquee for hot mulled wine and snacks, just before the snow began to fall. My thanks to everyone who helped with the preparations and took part in the Service, making the afternoon such a success.



And so we look towards a new year which for many people will prove challenging with rising costs and prices. For the first time ever, food banks are giving out more food than is being donated and the Trussell Trust has said that an emergency food bank parcel is being given out every 15 seconds. All Saints has a box for donations of food and the following items are needed urgently:-

**Sugar (1 kg maximum); Squash (1 litre maximum); Tinned hot snack (beans & sausages, etc)  
Tinned hot meat (curry, stew, etc); Sponge pudding (non—chilled); Pasta sauce  
Tinned cold meat (Spam, etc); Custard (packet or tin); Toiletries; Size 6 nappies; Toilet Rolls**

**Only donations of unopened and undamaged goods, well within their 'Use By' date, can be accepted.**

It was with particular sadness we learned of the passing of Kath Chesham after a long illness. Kath had been a regular member of the congregation for 40 years and supported All Saints whenever there was a special occasion until her health deteriorated. Her skills at embroidery can be seen in the frontals on the lectern and on the Patten cover — something that will always be a part of All Saints. To quote her favourite hymn -

*Drop thy still dews of quietness till all our strivings cease; take from our souls the strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess the beauty of thy peace.*

We shall all miss her and our prayers go to Dianne and Graham and the family. Her funeral and burial is at All Saints Church, Ulting on Tuesday 7 Feb at 11am.

With chocolate eggs being sold in supermarkets alongside cut-price Christmas Cards and wrapping paper it is a sign that as one festive season ends another important Christian festival is appearing on the horizon. Although it is a little way off, I have included details of All Saints' Lent and Easter Services celebrating this important time in the Church calendar. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please note that the Ash Wednesday Service is at 7.30 in the evening and the Good Friday Service at 2pm in the afternoon.

All Services will include hymns and if you have a favourite or would like a hymn played on a special occasion please let our organist Barbara know and she will include it for you.

Prayers and blessings, Rev'd Derek

5 February	Sunday 9am – Holy Communion	12 March	Sunday 9am – Morning Prayer
12 February	Sunday 9am – Morning Prayer	19 March	Sunday 9am – Mothering Sunday
19 February	Sunday 9am – Holy Communion	26 March	Sunday 9am – Parish Eucharist
22 February	Wednesday 7.30pm Ash Wednesday Service	2 April	Sunday 9am – Holy Communion to celebrate Palm Sunday
26 February	Sunday 9am – Parish Eucharist	7 April	Friday 2.30pm – Good Friday Service
5 March	Sunday 9am – Holy Communion	9 April	Sunday 9am – Easter Day Holy Communion

## Hatfield Peverel Methodist and Reality Church

### Carol Service 4 December

We were very pleased to have the Hatfield Peverel Rainbows and Brownies with their families to join us for our annual Carol Service again. Our service was led jointly by Jeff and Eddie with David and Esther playing keyboard and guitar to accompany Eddie for the carols which we enjoyed singing.

Eddie opened the service with a higher/lower game with the number of crackers, Christmas trees, sprouts, turkeys and puddings purchased and cards posted. Who would have guessed that the winner was the sprouts with 750 million purchased. Eddie followed with cards representing these items attached to a rope which magically dropped off leaving one card showing Jesus left – to remind us of the real reason for Christmas.

The Rainbows and Brownies sang The Twelve Days of Christmas with words altered to reflect what they do in their group and Lydia read the Christmas story to us to repeat the wonderful Christian message of the birth of Jesus. Afterwards we enjoyed refreshments and there were Christmas craft activities to make and decorate. Thank you to the groups for joining in our service and making it such a happy occasion.



### Lunch Club at St Andrew's Junior School

Our Monday Club meetings at St Andrew's school continue to be very popular with the children. They have been looking at the Nativity story and have enjoyed retelling the events of the first Christmas to us. We made items to hang on their Christmas trees – angels and stars – to remind them of the birth of Jesus.

Our search to employ a Schools and Families worker continues. If anybody is interested in this work (or knows someone who could fulfil the position) the information on the role can be obtained by contacting [chelmsford.circuit@gmail.com](mailto:chelmsford.circuit@gmail.com). The work is very varied and rewarding and we wish to expand our involvement in other areas of village life.

### Looking back on 2022, it has been a busy year for our Church

We have enjoyed meeting new people, having many leaders to take our services, running a House Group, the St Andrew's school lunch club, Stitch to Enrich, picnics, building competitions, holiday club, singing, crafting, cooking and attending national events. Most of all we have loved our friendship and time together. So why not come and see if you would like it too – we meet at Little Bears Nursery in Maldon Road on Sundays at 9.15am. **Our members wish you all a very happy 2023.**

## Other Events

**St Andrew's Church hall coffee mornings** on Saturdays 4 February, 4 March and 1 April, from 10.15am to 12 noon. Stalls usually include cakes, cards for most occasions, raffle, bric-a-brac and plenty of coffee.

### Edward Bear

Mother and Toddler Group meets in the church hall every week (except school holidays) on

Thursdays from 10am to 11.30am. A short service and coffee and company alternate weeks.

### Tuesday Toddler Time

Every Tuesday **term time only** 9.30 - 11.30am Hatfield Peverel village hall. £4 per family includes refreshments. No need to book

A different craft each week, come along and meet new friends

Nicky Shelley 075906 18343



## **Christmas festivities, Famous Grahams and the year of the rabbit!**

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

**[www.peverelwineclub.co.uk](http://www.peverelwineclub.co.uk) or email [peverelwineclub@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:peverelwineclub@hotmail.co.uk)**

**D**ecember's Wine Club Christmas Party saw everyone in top festive form for the evening, with a 4-course supper provided by members, Christmassy quizzes, a great raffle which raised over £120 for Coast Watch and best of all, dancing to the live music of Ian Jordan, who was excellent despite not being in the best of health. We also saw the first (and hopefully the only!) performance of the Wine Club Maracca Band.



We were back to more sedate activities for our January meeting in the Village Hall, when Chairman Graham Bushby hosted the Club's annual quiz night, with some testing questions to get our brains back into gear after their Christmas torpor, including rounds such as One-Hit Wonders and (possibly self-indulgently) a round on Famous Grahams! The competition was keenly fought and close, with a team comprising Jill Shakespear, her sister-in-law Mary plus Sarah and Stephen Roberts emerging as eventual winners. They were the smallest team competing, proving that quality rather than quantity (as with the best wine) will triumph. We have to report that the team topically called Spare finished in last place, an obvious case of predestination.

Our next meeting on Zoom on 25 January celebrated Chinese New Year. Participants had been asked to find a bottle of wine with a vaguely Chinese theme which they then talked about and commented on before enjoying the Chinese food.

We are back in the Village Hall for February's meeting on 8 February for a tasting entitled Pinot More, exploring the wide variety of Pinot grapes from all around the world. If you'd like to join us anytime for a light-hearted and inexpensive evening out, you would always be very welcome. Please give Vee a ring beforehand on 01245 355723 however, to ensure there is enough food and drink for all. (We normally meet on the second Wednesday of each month but with some exceptions, including Christmas). Why not catch up with what's been happening at the Wine Club recently by viewing our website at [www.peverelwineclub.co.uk](http://www.peverelwineclub.co.uk), which also gives details of the Club's exciting 2023 Programme.

## **Table Tennis - friendly club welcomes new League players**

**W**e are a well organised, long established club (founded C 1981) with male and female players, all friendly and welcoming. We run six teams in the Chelmsford District Table Tennis League (CDTTL) and are always looking for league players to reinforce our teams.



Home playing night is Tuesday; we meet in the Village Hall in Maldon Road (CM3 2HP) with excellent playing conditions and equipment.

League match evenings are friendly and good fun, and we field teams in the CDTTL Divisions 2, 3, 4 and 5. Table Tennis is a healthy, active and enjoyable sport proven to enhance personal, physical and mental well-being. It is also relatively inexpensive to kit out and play.

If you wish to play competitively or to re-start your playing career you would be most welcome. Contact us and we can also help you get back into the swing. To join one of our league teams, leave your details with Club Secretary Neil Freeman on 01245 382249 or myself Club Chairman Andy Simmonds on 01245 381020 or 07932 057 205

## **Bowls Club**

**M**embership is maintaining strength and we are continuing with a full schedule of indoor matches planned for 2023.

We open four days a week - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday. and you can visit us on those days except Tuesday. We welcome anyone who wishes to try the game. Give our secretary Jackie Spoonr a ring 380945 to arrange a visit.

**Best wishes to you all for 2023 .**

## Fourply and the Doughnut

One day Fourply the speckled hen was bored and decided she would escape from her pen in the garden so, with a deep breath and a couple of flaps of her wings she was over the fence and free. At that moment she saw Bob coming down the road on his trusty bicycle. 'Do you think I could hitch a lift' she called cheekily? 'Of course you can my feathered friend' Bob replied., 'do jump aboard in the basket on the front and you'll get a better view.'

Fourply obliged and was soon sitting cosily in the basket complete with goggles and helmet in case the wind blew in her eyes or they happened to fall off.

'Where do you want to go?' said Bob with a big smile. 'Somewhere I can get something really nice to eat,' she replied, so off they went to town.

Through the High Street Bob pedalled until Fourply spied a baker's shop ahead. 'Stop, stop' she cried, 'I'll get off here'. So she flapped her wings, flew down out of the basket and waved goodbye to Bob

Strutting across the pavement she went into the shop but as she was very short the assistant didn't see her. 'How can I let her know I am here' thought Fourply'. 'I know, I'll lay an egg and I always crow after I've done this so they will know I am here and serve me'.

Fourply laid a nice brown egg and crowed like mad and the shop assistant peered over the counter at her. 'What would you like little hen and I'll give it to you in exchange for your nice brown egg?' 'I would like a big doughnut please' Fourply said excitedly and grabbed it quickly in her beak when the lady threw it down to her and dashed out of the shop.

Running down the High Street she realised the doughnut was very heavy. 'I'll find a cosy corner to sit and enjoy it ' she thought. Her conscience got the better of her and she thought she ought to take it back with her and share it with Snowflake and Greenfly and the others because they were her friends

Fourply's luck was in that day because Bill, the neighbour next door to where Fourply lived pulled up in his little yellow sports car, saw the obviously very tired little hen and popped her in the car. 'You've had quite an adventure,' he said. 'Yes', said Fourply, 'And now I'm going home to share my doughnut with my friends'. 'That's very commendable' said Bill as he dropped Fourplay off at the gate which led to her pen in the yard.

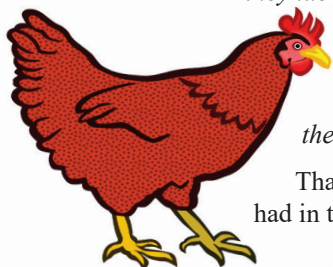
Fourply started to run up the garden to her pen at the top but who should be lurking in the bushes but Penelope the peacock who greedily grabbed the doughnut and flew up into the roof with it.

Tears welled up in Fourply's eyes as she saw the other hens looking excitedly over the fence to see what she had brought back. When she told them what had happened they said 'Never mind, Fourply, the thought was there but we must admit a doughnut would have been very tasty indeed.'

As Fourply flew back into her pen the lady who cared for the hens came up the path with a pot containing oats, biscuits and other goodies as a treat for the hens because they were laying so well. As they tucked in Fourplay thought 'I've had a really exciting adventure and plenty of good things to eat - but maybe one day I'll have another go at getting a doughnut and this time I will eat it all myself so peacock doesn't get it.

But Fourply never did as she was really content with the life she had in the nice pen in the garden.

Thank you to our good friend Sheila for this first children's story we've ever had in the Review. We hope they will enjoy it - we did.



## Ode to Ron

My dear friend Pam (93 years) gave this to me for you.

He's sixty years I mused today  
Must put pen to paper right way  
A dedication in rhyme or song  
Or why not an ode?

*They have written Odes to Grecian Urns  
And people long since gone  
Why not an Ode, I said to myself -  
An Ode to my dear friends Ron  
Whose starting to lose his golden locks  
And has to have Joan put on his socks.  
She even takes him tea in bed  
To help him face the day ahead  
But in his dreams he still has fun  
Bob sleighing down the Cresta Run  
Gold Medallists he's been known to lap  
Not in a helmet - no in his woolly hat.  
He's quite renowned for his love of art  
And a life's dedication to al la carte.  
At the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel  
He gazed in awe as he munched his apple,  
At the Mona Lisa's smiling lips  
Cried I could murder some fish and chips.  
Why he's tramped the galleries of major cities  
In search of the nude with the biggest eyebrows!  
He's travelled the world both by sea and air  
But an old man for his health must care  
For in a bath chair you cannot go far  
You could take the waters at Cheltenham Spa.  
Still cheer up Ron as your heart is young  
And your earthy life has years to run.  
But no doubt when your time is spent  
And to your maker you are sent  
When meeting St Peter at the Golden Gates  
Instead of asking where's me mates  
I hope you will not be so rude  
As to say 'Hullo mate, do you do food?  
Now that this silly ode's complete  
Lets have everybody on their feet  
To drink to his future - may his life be long.  
Happy birthday and God Bless you Ron!*



## Farleigh Hospice Shop

Hidden away on the parade at the end of Butterfield Road in Boreham is your local Farleigh Hospice Shop. If you haven't found us yet please come along for a chat, browse and maybe even buy some of our lovely items. No matter what the weather this winter we will be here to serve you with a smile and warm welcome.

We have lots of winter clothes including coats, boots, trousers, jumpers etc. for all the family and will begin to display our Spring and Summer collection from March. We also have plenty of bric-a-brac, toys, puzzles, pictures, mirrors and much much more.

We also have a good stock of new greetings cards and a multitude of colours of new wool.

Many items for sale are brand new and most of our stock has been kindly donated by members of our community which is sorted, cleaned, steamed and tagged by our volunteers without whom we wouldn't be able to run the shop – they really are our superstars. **If you are interested in volunteering with us and are aged 16+ please either give us a call on the number below or drop in to see us for more details.**

Our normal opening times are Monday to Saturday 9am to 4:30pm (excluding Bank Holidays)

To book a Donation Drop please call 01245 465038. We look forward to welcoming you all soon.

**Kate and Julie, Shop Managers**



## Hatfield Peverel Parish Council

### Committees and advisory groups

Community Events (C), Environment (E)

Community Park (CP), Traffic (T),

Finance/General purposes (FGP),

Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP),

Personnel (P), Sport and Recreation (SR)

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## Maldon Film Club – into 2023

**Maldon Town Hall, doors open at 7.30pm and all films commence at 8pm sharp.**

www.maldonfilmclub.info or visit Maldon

Tourism Office, phone 01621 869340

The 18th season continues until 24 May 2023 with films shown fortnightly on Wednesdays.

### Wednesday 15 February Minari

**Korean/English 115 minutes**

*Yearning to own a small patch of land to be more than a chicken sexer, ambitious paterfamilias, Jacob Yi, relocates his Korean-American family: from California to 1980s rural Arkansas, to start afresh and capture the elusive American Dream. Challenging to find out what is best for the family, let alone start a 50-acre farm to grow and sell Korean fruits and vegetables.*

### Wednesday 1 March Promising Young Woman

*Defined by a crime involving her bosom friend, school dropout Cassie knows some wounds never heal. Leading an uneventful existence with her parents, waiting tables at a cheap coffee shop, Cassie found the way to deal with the painful past. At night she frequents bars/night clubs, on the prowl for nocturnal predators and wolves in sheep's clothing, unaware the hunter can become the prey. Ryan, a kindly and caring old classmate, enters the picture, and Cassie wants out. Everybody knows breaking bad habits is easier said than done. Is Ryan the one?*

### Wednesday 15 March Parallel Mothers

*Two women, Janis (Penélope Cruz) and Ana, meet in a hospital room to give birth. Both are single and pregnant by accident. Janis, middle-aged, doesn't regret it, Ana, an adolescent, is scared, and traumatized. Janis tries to encourage her and the few words they exchange in these hours creates a close link which develops and complicates, and changes their lives in a decisive way.*

### Wednesday 29 March Belfast

**English 98 minutes**

*A young boy and his working-class Belfast family experience the tumultuous late 1960s. Biography, History directed by Kenneth Branagh,*

## Useful telephone numbers

Please contact the editors for additions/errors.

**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

**The Change Project** 01245 258680

Personnel well-being through 08453 727701

positive change

### Churches

St Andrew's (C of E), vicar 01245 380958

Methodist Church, minister 01621 853423

Catholic Church, Witham, priest 01376 512219

All Saints Church, Ulting 01245 380627

**Citizens Advice Bureau** Witham 0344 4994719

Monday to Friday 10am - 4pm

**Community Agent** for Hatfield Peverel

Jan Hawkins - 07540 720605, 01376 574330

### Doctors, health services

Hatfield Peverel doctors' surgery 01245 380324

NHS - non-emergency helpline 111

**Boots Pharmacy** 01245 380130

Mon-Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 9am-1pm, 1.30pm-4.0pm

Electricity - emergency 0800 7838838

**Essex County Council** 03457 430430

**Essex & Suffolk Water** 24 hours 0845 7820999

**Gas - emergency** 0800 111999

**Harlequin Children's Centre** 0300 2470014

Free support and services for children under 5

### Hospitals

Broomfield (A&E) 01245 362000

St Peters, Maldon 01621 725323

**Libraries (enquiry line)** 0345 6037628

Hatfield Peverel opening hours

Tuesday 2pm - 7pm

Wednesday 9am - 1pm

Saturday 9am - 5pm

Witham - use enquiry line above

**Police** Non-emergency calls 101

Use 101 also for the local officer

Emergency calls 999

Police Stations, Braintree, Chelmsford

Opening hours, Monday - Saturday, 12.00 to 6pm

### Co-op Store (with Post Office - see below)

Open 7am - 10pm 01245 382606

**Greater Anglia rail** 03456 007245

National Rail Enquiries (24 hrs) 03457 484950

Hatfield Peverel ticket office/waiting room

Open 6.15am to 1.00pm, Monday to Saturday.

### Registrar of Births, Marriages & Deaths

Witham, by appointment only 03456 037632

Braintree, by appointment only 03456 037632

**Samaritans (24 hours - toll free)** 08457 909090

### Schools

St Andrew's Junior School 01245 380131

Hatfield Peverel Infant and Nursery School

01245 382450

**Village Hall** 01245 381481

### Childminders

**Kate Bryant** 07796 851403

**Joanne Logan** 07989 131249

**Social Services** 0345 6037630

Co-op Post Office counter times			
	Morning	Afternoon	Last Royal Mail collection times
Monday	9.30 - 12.30	13.30 - 18.00	16.45
Tuesday	10.00 - 14.00		13.50
Wednesday	10.00 - 14.00		13.50
Thursday	10.00 - 14.00		13.50
Friday	9.30 - 12.30	13.30 - 17.00	16.45
Saturday	10.00 - 12.30		12.00
Sunday	Closed		

Royal Mail's information about last collecting times from our local post boxes can be found at:

<https://www.royalmail.com/services-near-you/#/>

If you can't use the internet, ask a neighbour or friend who can to help.

## Forthcoming local events

### Live Traditional Jazz at its best

Wickham Bishops Village Hall, CM8 3JZ

Saturday 18 February - 6.30 for 7.30 start.

#### Paula Jackman's Jazz Masters

Led by Paula Jackman on Reeds

Bob Alcoe on Trombone

Mike Henry on Trumpet

Marc Easener on Sousaphone

Hugh Crozier on Piano & Vocals

Graham Collicott on Drums

#### Future events

March 18th Alan Gresty & Friends

April 22nd Jazz Incorporated

To Book Tickets Please Contact Pete:

email: wickhambishopsjazzclub@gmail.com

Tel: 07548 775777

Proceeds to: Beacon Hill Sports Association  
(Charity No. 232995)

### Langford & Ulting Annual Art Exhibition

Village Hall, Langford

Saturday 1 and Sunday 2  
April

10am to 5pm both days

Entry £2 includes programme  
Children under 12 free

Tea, coffee

Homemade cakes

Free parking

Come and enjoy Soup and a Roll

Tuesday 14 February

All Welcome

12 – 2.00 pm

St Andrew's Church Hall

Church Road, Hatfield Peverel

Donations in aid of the Red Cross as they  
continue to support those in need in Ukraine.

Join us as we lend  
a Helping Hand



Church of St John the Baptist,  
Danbury

### Monthly Lunchtime Concerts in the Church

Fridays - 12.15pm to 1pm

- 10 February Keepsake - music for recorders and piano. Keepsake will show what the recorder can really do
- 10 March The Remedy Band - an easy on the ear group playing popular songs and gospel from the 50s, 60s, 70s & 80s
- 14 April Jeffery Wilson returns to us with Sam Edwards for a session of cool lunchtime jazz

Come along a little earlier for a sandwich lunch, available from 11.45am, or you are welcome to bring your own.  
Entry is free.

