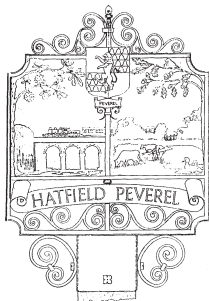


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Local events and happenings round and about

Diary dates still not back to normal, let us know if there is anything you would like to include

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Church diary dates 10/11/12 see these pages
Village Hall 18

February

- 19 Helen Rollason coffee am 10am
- 19 Love your Library see page 13
- 23 Hadfelda WI talk Brantree Museum

March

- 5 St Andrews coffee morning 10am
- 7 Parish Council
- 10 Wine Club

Party In The Park

Emma Cook, Committee Member

Party in the Park will be held this year on Saturday 4 June to coincide with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Tell your families. Bring your friends. We look forward to seeing you there.

Do get in contact via our Facebook page if you'd like to volunteer for the committee or just for the day itself.

Front cover: a happy competitor takes a well-earned rest at the end of the charity Ride for Helen 2021 race. Last year raised an incredible £50,000 for Helen Rollason Cancer Charity.

Start cycling today in readiness for this year's race competition.

Photo by Sophia Spurgin

Clouds and stars

....what better on a day when snowdrops and primroses - and the birds - are telling us Spring is on the way. Not bringing everyone what they hoped for, life is not like that, but giving us a bit of cheer. Good things are happening in the village too, communities are getting back together and the village hall is opening its doors - between 8am and 11am every week day, you can get a decent cup of coffee (or tea) in the bar lounge with sun brightening the day. And friends to chat to. Give it a try.

But first the clouds. Words are magical, in an instant they can lift you to the stars. Recently our weekly paper ran a Young Country Diary item; with two entries written by children aged eleven and nine. Forthcoming diary dates will appear on the third Saturday of the month from 19 March. In this edition of Saturday 5 February the first contribution was from Cornwall. The second, from our own county of Essex, (written by Rohan 9) is printed here. Sit back and remember.

Anyone can look up and enjoy the clouds

The sky. You might think it is useless and just there, however it is one of the most fascinating sights ever! When I wake up, I eagerly scramble out of my comfy bed, leap towards my window and yank open my curtains just to get a view of the scenic sky.

The morning sun comes up and the ripple-like clouds (called cirrocumulus) make the sky look like an upside down, pink river. When I walk to school, the neon-yellow sun grows brighter in the baby-blue sky. At this time, the sky produces high, wispy clouds (called cirrus) and big fluffy ones (called cumulus) that embrace the winter sky around them. At our lunch break, our faces light up when the snow starts to fall. We leap in the air trying to catch some.

At home when it gets to dinner time, I gaze at the sky outside and observe that it has become a soothing coal-black, and it does not change until I fall asleep. The sky allows us to experience amazing sights however rich or poor we are, so we ought to be grateful for it.

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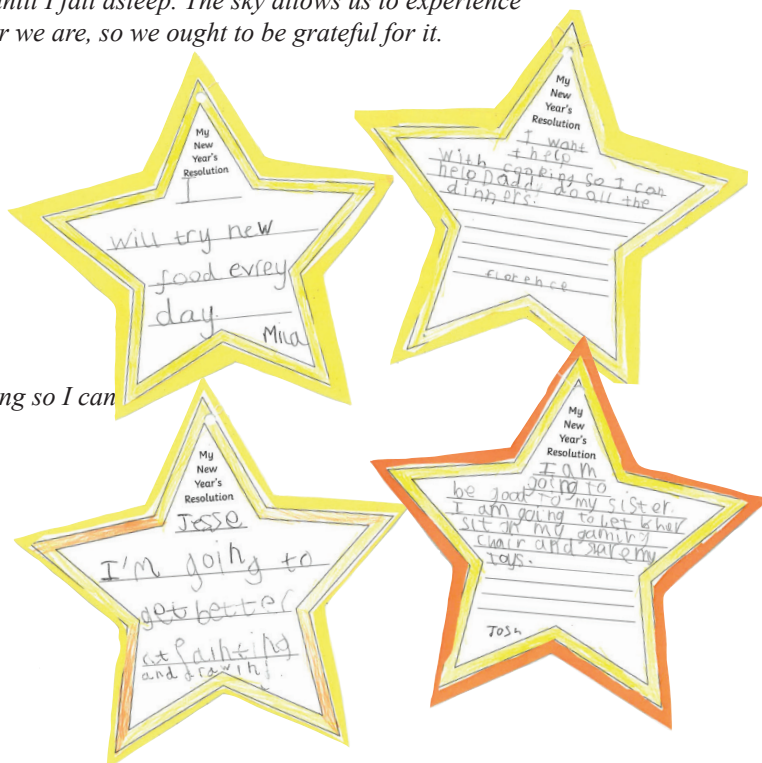
Year 2 Infant School resolutions

Mia - *I will try new food every day.*

Florence - *I want to help with cooking so I can help Daddy with all the dinners.*

Jesse - *I am going to get better at painting and drawing.*

Josh - *I am going to be good to my sister, I am going to let her sit on my gaming chair and share my toys.*



Great news - the Horticultural Society's schedules for 2022 are here

Trina Butcher, Publicity www.e-voice.org.uk/hatpevgardens

Available now! You can collect your 2022 year book and schedule from Upsons Farm Shop, join the society and get your membership card. Subscriptions are £3, senior citizens £2.

Spring Show, Saturday 22 April 2022

We've waited a long time to take part in our local show, let's do our best: make cakes, grow flowers, knit pullovers, take photographs and persuade our children to take part too. All is revealed in the new year book. You have almost three months to get busy!

Summer holiday to Nottingham (3 - 7 July 2022)

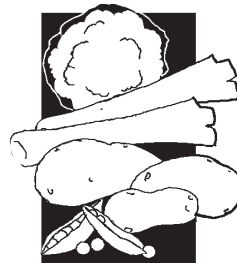
A great break to look forward to. If you want to book a place or to know more about this visit contact Clive Emberson a ring on 01245 381704 or mobile 07771 536938

Allotment and growing news

Drew Price HPAA new site member

Website: <https://www.hpaa.org.uk> Contact: email: generalsecretary@hpaa.org.uk

"All gardeners live in beautiful places, cause, they make them so . . ." Joseph Joubert



What's new? is the most used conversation opener around the world. And here in Hatfield Peverel we're no exception. The changing face of the pandemic, construction in the village (making everyone anxious) and new faces of residents are starters of answers. And other more subtle changes as well. Seasons: weather, jobs, shops, and people are changing. For instance, I've retired as letting officer at our allotments and I'm now an interested contributing member and volunteer.

Our Hatfield Peverel Allotment Association (HPAA) consists of two sites - old site near the Church and cemetery - new site between the Scout HQ and Cricket Club. Happily, both are full and have waiting lists.

As days get longer we, and perhaps you, are still growing brassicas, broccoli, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, turnips, kale, and bok choy, as well as shallots, onions and garlic. (*I've only garlic and lettuce in my garden! Ed*) While too cold to plant potatoes, you could chit earlies for warmer weather in March. Note in your garden journal, 'what worked' and 'what didn't'. What might you try differently? On nice days, tidy up. Get seed beds worked over and seeds ready. Stay on top of weeds with a bit of regular hoeing.

Remember, early March is Boot Sale time so please on the sites or at your homes, assess garden tool security to protect tools and wheelbarrows from disappearing. Please keep your eyes open for things that seem out of place and utilise your mobile phone camera in case of spotting the unusual.

A polite request from the HPAA. If you're a dog lover and walker, please keep them on leads near our plots to avoid fouling crops.

Finally, draw a plan for your garden or allotment. Mark dates for sowing and planting out, as a reminder. One member does the following: *'My rotational plan is a five-year plan in each segment and follows like this; Year 1: brassicas, Year 2: peas and beans, Year 3: potatoes and fruiting vegetables, Year 4: the onion family, Year 5 root and stem vegetables.'* Why is planning/crop rotation so important? If you don't rotate crops properly you run the risk of diseases and pests. They will be tough to eradicate once established.

Finally this caution from RSPB re cleaning bird feeders. **Bird news: warning as Britons told to ditch feeders by RSPB/UK/News/Express.co.uk**

Wishing you sunshine, and the joy of your garden. Your HPAA

Back together for the Autumn term

Hatfield Peverel Scout Group

Kim McLaren - Executive PR Rep

The Autumn Term brought us all back together and our members have shown us just how determined, committed and resilient they really are, we couldn't be prouder of them. A perfect example of this was shown through their participation on Remembrance Sunday; they were all looking very smart in their uniforms and walked with pride as they paid tribute.

Looking back over the Autumn term

There were wonderful memories made during our camping weekend at Thriftwood. Over the weekend, the Scouts learned how to build rafts, fire crossbows and ride a bull (health and safety standards maintained at all times, of course). Although the rain may have cut our adventure short, there were smiles all round, albeit it a little soggy.

In December, our marvellous team worked hard to prepare and deliver the Polar Bear Hunt event, which featured a special visit from Santa and was a huge success, helping to raise very much needed and appreciated funds that will contribute towards the Hatfield Peverel Scout Division being able to continue providing amazing experiences for the children and young people. We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who came and joined in on the fun, we raised £675 which will go towards supporting our young people in the coming year. Our walk will return again this year and is planned for the 10 December.

Looking forward to the Spring term

This term our groups will be taking part in lots of thrilling events such as; visiting Thriftwood to take part in some adventurous outdoor activities; going on a hike; learning some map reading skills; visiting Riffhams to play games and have fun in the great outdoors and doing some exciting science experiments.

New members

Children aged between 6 - 16 years old are welcome to join our groups, they will make friends, learn new skills and most importantly have fun! For additional information please visit our website - hpscouts.org

Volunteers warmly welcomed

We are very excited for the Spring term and the exhilarating adventures we have planned for our young people. This is only made possible through the dedication and support of our team, without them we would not be able to provide the fantastic experiences within our community and surrounding areas. We are always looking for new members to join us and bring fresh ideas and skills sets, or even just some extra support.

We would love to hear from you if you feel you would like to contribute towards enhancing the lives of young people in your community. If you would like to know more, please get in touch with us, you can email your enquiries to Nick@hpscouts.org or take a look at our Facebook page - 1st Hatfield Peverel Scout Group.

Get in touch and get involved, you won't regret it!



Parish Council news

**Sarah Gaeta, Clerk to the Parish Council, 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@hatfieldpeverelplc.com or the assistant clerk @hatfieldpeverelplc.com, between the hours of 9am and 1pm Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.



Playing Fields

At the recent Essex Playing Fields Association Awards, the Strutt Memorial Recreation Ground received a Gold award and came runner-up in the category of 'playing fields serving a population of 2,500 or more'. The Nounsley Playing Field received a Silver award in the same category.

Street Naming

The Parish Council is responsible for naming new roads in the village. The new roads at the Gleneagles Way development have been chosen with a golf theme in mind. However, the Parish Council particularly wanted to remember the fallen of World War I, so you will see some new roads named after them, starting at the Station Road development, and continuing at the Stonepath Meadow development. Not all names can be used due to similar ones in the local area, and Braintree District Council must approve them, but we hope to use as many as we can.

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.hatfieldpeverelplc.com/special-constable-recruitment/>

Planning

Planning decisions are made by Braintree District Council, following consultation with residents, 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

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

21/03241/HH – Proposed single storey rear extension at 35 Gleneagles Way.

21/03033/HH – Single storey side extension at 6 Ingelrica Avenue, Hatfield Peverel.

21/02085/FUL – Erection of 1 x 4 bedroomed two storey detached dwelling house with associated landscaping and parking on land adjacent to Priory Farm Cottages, Sportsmans Lane. Not supported.

21/03308/HH – Two storey side extension at 17 Priory Farm Road.

21/03414/HH – Single storey rear extension at The White House, The Street..

21/03507/HH – Single-storey side extension at Gables.

21/03574/FUL – Erection of first-floor extension to existing single-storey outbuilding to form 1 x 2 bedroom detached dwelling house at Lawrence House, The Street. Not supported.

21/03619/HH – Single-storey front extension and part conversion of existing garage at 9 Gleneagles Way.

21/03571/TPO - Tree works at 16 Woodham Drive.

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 7 March and Monday 4 April.**

Both will be held at the Village Hall, in the lounge area. Public participation is welcome, please see the agenda which is published on the Parish Council website and on the noticeboards.

Tree planting in the village - Essex Forest Initiative

In January 2021 the Parish Council applied to Essex Forest Initiative for tree planting in the village, and I was very pleased to hear their application had been successful. The Parish Council had a plan in place for planting in the Parish, and was about to apply to Woodland Trust for community tree planting when it became aware of the Essex Forest Initiative

This initiative was set up in 2019 with the aim to plant 375,000 trees over a five year period in Essex to help with climate change issues, which is of great concern to us all. The Parish Council is also concerned with air quality in our Parish. Planting will benefit hugely with both of these issues, and with biodiversity, wildlife and the health and well-being within our community.

After a year in the planning, November finally arrived and the date arranged for delivery of the trees on 17 November, along with canes and biodegradable tree protectors, with the Parish Council providing tons of mulch. Thankfully, the weather was good and right for planting.

A very big thank you to residents who volunteered to help plant trees on Thursday 18 November on the boundary to Hatfield Place, and to the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers who helped on Saturday 20 November at Nounsley playing field. The mornings work helped towards achieving their environmental badges. It was great seeing the youngsters getting involved enthusiastically with their parents and group leaders. Hopefully, in years to come, they can say to themselves 'we helped to plant those trees and hedging', and take pride in their environment. Over a thousand trees were planted at those two locations.

In all approximately 1,270 tree whips were planted in the Parish over three days which was achieved through everyone's hard work and enthusiasm. Four Parish Councillors, the Parish Council's Tree Warden and Handyman planted Oaks on The Green, at the cemetery, and hawthorn whips, one oak and two crab apple trees at the duck pond.



A big thank you also to Tom Moat of Essex Forest Initiative who helped the Parish Council, organised delivery of the trees, and provided the spades and wheelbarrows along with additional help of volunteers from Essex County Council. Refreshments were provided by kind neighbours - much appreciated on the Thursday.

So far approximately 43,000 trees have been planted this season through Essex Forest Initiative

Update on duck pond project

The vision for the duck pond has now been finalised with planting of trees, shrubs and bulbs donated by residents, Essex Association of Local Councils, Braintree District Council and Essex Forest Initiative. Bird, bat and hedgehog boxes were made by two very kind residents, and these have been sited around the area to encourage wildlife. (See photo right)

New wood chippings are currently being laid on the pathway around the area to keep it tidy and looking cared for. It is hoped to have many spring flowers appear this year to make it a picture to look at and enjoy by all. Thank you to everyone who made this project possible up to completion.



How can we improve our public footpaths network?

Ken Earney, Village Footpaths Warden - kenearney@hotmail.com

I attended an initial parish council working party meeting in January to discuss how S106 money now available to the parish from the developments currently underway is to be used.

A proportion of this money will be available for Public Rights of Way (PROW) and I was asked as parish footpaths warden if I can gather views on improvements to our footpath network that we feel are necessary or would like to see, so I'm putting this request to you all.

To be clear, this money is **not** for street pavement repairs and improvements, but those paths mostly out of our residential areas and into the surrounding countryside for leisure activities. However, it does include some of the very well-used hard-surfaced paths within the built-up area that we use to get to the schools, the doctors' surgery and so on. The money can be for any path that is a legally defined Public Right of Way (PROW) shown on ECC's Definitive Map. You can find these for yourselves online at:

<https://www.essexhighways.org/getting-around/public-rights-of-way/prow-interactive-map>

ECC Highways has had a number of defects reported to them over recent years. Because of the limited funding available they have had to allocate priorities to fixing them which means it could be a long time before some get attention. We can include those and others not reported such as surface repairs and improvements, the current state of the ditch-side edging of the path between Cutts Close and the rec (the park to you youngsters) and the stretch of recently diverted path up beside the railway embankment from the viaduct to Terling Hall Road spring to mind. Also provision of new waymarkers, new ditch crossing bridges or repairs to existing furniture, and so on. It could also include descriptive material: a parish PROW display board sited at the Sorrels Field development has been agreed between the developer and BDC. What we can't include are any new path creations including any permissive footpath from the village to Keith Bigden Memorial Ground.

Think about it and let me have your ideas.

Our doors are open - looking forward to seeing you again at our monthly coffee mornings!

Helen Rollason Cancer Charity



Welcome to our Hatfield Peverel coffee morning taking place on **Saturday 19 February 10am - 12 noon at our Mid Essex Support Centre (in The Street, 200 yards from the Co-op)**. All are welcome to join us for tea, coffee, cake, charity raffle and great conversation. Hope to see you there!

eBay Volunteers

Do you have a few of hours to spare each week?

We are looking for volunteers to help with listing and packing/posting items sold in our eBay shop. Join our friendly office team and help your local cancer charity! Full training provided.

For more info call: 01245 380719 or email: fundraising@helenrollason.org.uk

Annual rural ramble at the Forgotten Gardens of Easton Lodge - Saturday 30 April

There are three distance options for participants to choose from; 10 miles, 4 miles and 1 mile family trail. As part of the visit a delicious cream tea is included with each ticket and dogs on leads are also welcome! Places are limited so don't delay, book your place today! Visit www.helenrollason.org.uk



Ride for Helen Essex - last year we raised a fabulous £50,000

Our annual charity cycle ride is taking place on **Sunday 15 May 2022** and registration is now open online: www.rideforhelen.co.uk

This year there are five scenic routes through the beautiful Essex countryside with distances of 6 miles, 15 miles, 30 miles, 50 miles and 65 miles all starting and finishing at Crix in Hatfield Peverel.

Sign up today www.rideforhelen.co.uk (image attached) or contact the fundraising team in the village on 01245 380719.



Thank you from Home-Start Essex

A huge thank you to everyone for your generosity at Christmas - between you you gifted four large bags of lovely gifts, £40 of tokens and £560 in cash - how wonderful. This helps to make such a difference to local families. Here is a recent thank you...

'I just want to say a big thank you for all your hard work and support this year. I cannot express how grateful I am to be a part of Home-Start Essex. It's so amazing to see my toddler being much calmer, happier and caring towards his little sister. Every time he leaves the playgroup sessions, he's so happy and can't wait to show/tell his dad what he's made. Above all, it's my kids and my happy and safe place. I always look forward to it and feel stress free. It's actually the only place that hasn't let us down. Thank you all for making this happen.'

From a mum of a two year old and young baby who has received support from a home-visiting volunteer, 1:1 well-being support and attended a Home-Start Essex family group.

This generous gifting will help to make a vital difference to the families we support.



News from St Andrews and All Saints

Writing this well into January seems a little late to be wishing you a happy New Year. No doubt resolutions have been made (and broken!) long before the Review comes out. Nevertheless I will wish you a happy New Year because of the mixed feelings and emotions that have surrounded us during 2021, with both Covid and the world situation. New Year can be a time for reflection on the year past, or it can be a time to look ahead to the year that is to come.



Unlike last year both our churches had all the services promised in the Christmas card, though with reduced numbers. Nevertheless the fact that people turned up shows the Christmas story still has the power to draw people into its embrace. Another cause for celebration was that we had a visit from St Andrews Junior School Year 5, the first school visit for nearly two years. Let us hope we will have further such visits, perhaps even services in the coming year. We are now in the Epiphany season which concentrates on the gradual 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 (better known as Candlemas) and this year to mark this, we have left the crib scene until we celebrate Candlemas on 6 February.

At the beginning of March Lent officially begins and there will be a Lent Course based on St Mark's Gospel. This begins on Monday 7 March and for five Mondays following, most likely by Zoom. Mothering Sunday is on the Sunday 27 March. For further details on this and other event at both churches, log on to the Hatfield Peverel and Ulting Church website hatfieldpeverelultingchurches.org.uk or phone 380958

With regard to Holy Week and Easter both Fr Derek and I intend to have all the services we normally have (details in the April Review).

Services at St Andrews

13 February	3rd Sunday before Lent 8am Holy Communion (said) 10.15am All-Age Service
20 February	2nd Sunday before Lent 10.15am Parish Eucharist
27 February	Sunday next before Lent 10.15am Parish Eucharist
2 March	Ash Wednesday 7.45pm Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes
6 March	1st Sunday of Lent 10.15am Matins
13 March	2nd Sunday of Lent 8am Holy Communion (said) 10.15am All-Age Service
20 March	3rd Sunday of Lent 10.15am Parish Eucharist
27 March	Mothering Sunday 10.15am Service with Holy Communion
3 April	5th Sunday of Lent - Passion Sunday 10.15am Parish Eucharist

Services at All Saints

13 February	9am Morning Prayer with hymns
20 February	9 am Holy Communion with hymns
27 February	9am Parish Eucharist with hymns
6 March	9am Holy Communion with hymns
13 March	9am Morning Prayer with hymns
20 March	9am Holy Communion with hymns
27 March	9am Mothering Sunday Parish Eucharist with hymns
3 April	9am Holy Communion with hymns

Revd Derek will also be at All Saints every Wednesday morning at 9am for Morning Office.

Edward Bear

Every Thursday
Church Hall
Church Road
Hatfield Peverel

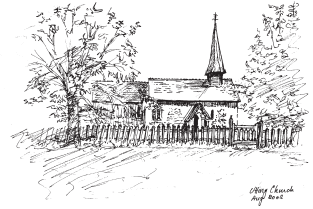


10.00 - 11.30

£2.00 per family, this includes refreshments

Come along and let your little ones play in a happy and safe environment

All Saints, Ulting



It was wonderful to be able to sing Christmas Carols in Church again. Christmas 2020 now seems a distant memory of restrictions which meant that although Church Services were allowed no one was able to actually sing these traditional songs to welcome the most joyous time of year and everyone simply had to listen to them being played on the organ. So Christmas 2021 at All Saints had a special feel and even though masks had to be worn the congregation made the most of being able to sing Christmas carols again.

The Christmas decorations gave the Church a really festive feel and the tree, which had been kindly donated, was set up outside in the Churchyard, complete with coloured lights, and proved a popular feature not only for people visiting and attending the Church but also for those walking past on the opposite bank of the river.

Restrictions way back in December 2020 also led to the cancellation of the Carols by Candlelight that year so it made the Service extra special when it was able to take place in 2021. When all the candles are lit in the Church for this occasion everyone there becomes part of a time-less experience involving people coming together in this ancient building to worship and sing carols in the same way as they would have gathered as a community centuries ago. It is always a well-supported event at All Saints and this year saw a full Church ready to hear readings from the Gospel relating the story of the Nativity as well as Christmas poems with everyone ready to join in singing some of the most popular carols with great enthusiasm. Charles and his band of willing helpers had set up the marquee in the Churchyard and after the Service everyone gathered there to enjoy warming drinks together with hot sausage rolls and a wonderful selection of cakes and pastries. Cindy and Hilary's hand-made Christmas decorations, which were on sale, proved very popular and all proceeds went towards Church funds and the Salvation Army. My thanks go to all those who took part and to everyone who helped to make the afternoon such a success.

A popular feature at All Saints during the past month has been the Star Tree in the Church porch. A simple message can be written on one of the silver stars available there and hung on one of the tree branches set up just by the Church door. It has proved to be a way to express a prayer of concern, to convey a message of support, to share good news, to name family and friends who are being thought about or to remember a departed loved one. It will remain in the porch for a while longer so if you would like to add your Star message to the tree branches you can still do so. At some time in the future the messages will become part of a special service at All Saints, more details to follow.

Looking forward to 2022, Services will be held at All Saints, Ulting, on every Sunday morning at 9am. Full details for the next few weeks are on the previous page.

If you are attending any of the Services and would like a special hymn to be played, please contact organist Barbara Mason (01621 927066) with your request.

Prayers and blessings, Revd Derek

Church telephone numbers

Vicar. Revd SR Northfield. The Vicarage Hatfield Peverel.	Tel. 01245-380958
Associate Priest. Revd D Clark. The Leas Farm Hatfield Peverel.	Tel. 01245-380627
Churchwarden. John Strange. Culloden, Ulting Road, Hatfield Peverel.	Tel. 01245-381004.
Churchwarden. John Tomlins. Crouchmans, Ulting.	Tel. 01245-380359.
Organist. Howard Southgate. 16 Baker Avenue, Hatfield Peverel.	Tel. 01245-381094
Organist. Barbara Mason	Tel. 01621-927066

Hatfield Peverel Methodist and Reality Church

Carol Service 5 December

We were pleased the reduced covid restrictions allowed us to hold our annual Carol Service and we happily welcomed back the Hatfield Peverel Rainbows and Brownies and their families to join us. The Church looked pretty bathed in the light of hundreds of candles. Our service was led by Jeff assisted by Sandy, our Family and Schools Worker, who many of the children will recognise from her Monday club lunchtime sessions at St Andrew's school. Eddie and Bernard played guitar, John added his keyboard, Jane led our singing. The Rainbows and Brownies sang songs for us - Rudolf the Red Nose Reindeer and We wish you a Merry Christmas - accompanied by sign language. And our Church puppets did a lively rendition of Gloria by Righteous pop group which had us all jiggling in our seats with the children enjoying spotting the puppets as they appeared and disappeared from behind their stage.

Church members told the story of the Inn keeper in the Nativity story – but this one kept getting woken up by all the visitors. On stage we had a door creaking, shoes stomping, a duck quacking and a whistle shrilling to add colour to the tale. The service was interspersed with well-known carols which we enjoyed singing.

Afterwards we enjoyed refreshments and much conversation and the children were given Advent bags enclosing the Nativity Story, decorations to make and daily craft activities.

Thank you to the groups for joining in our service and making it such a happy occasion.

Church activities

At the Monday Club at St Andrew's school the children have been looking at the Nativity story and making 'stained glass' window shapes of stars and the stable scene using strips of tissue paper. These were taken to the Duke of Wellington pub to decorate their Christmas windows. We were invited to sing carols at the Duke of Wellington – we sang a selection accompanied by Eddie on guitar. It was a new venture for us which we enjoyed doing and we received compliments from the diners. Our final Christmas celebration was held on 19 December when we commenced with bacon rolls and coffee. Our service was led by David and we joined together to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Jeff led our first service of 2022 when we looked back on what our thoughts of 2021 had been - Covid, vaccinations, restrictions, working from home, not being able to meet family and friends. Then we looked forward to what we wished in 2022 – freedom, health, opportunities, employment, and safety. Jeff reminded us that God is all seeing and that we can trust in him to always support us in our lives.

Our members wish you all a very happy 2022 and welcome you to our Church services at 9.15am each Sunday at Little Bears Nursery in Maldon Road. Do come and join us.

Dance Lessons

Strictly Ballroom and Latin

St Andrews Church Hall

Hatfield Peverel

Contact Jeannette - 07754199174

**Mondays 6.30 intermediate
7.30 beginners**

Tuesday Toddler Time

Tuesdays 9.30-11.30

Hatfield Peverel Village Hall

Term Time only group - £4 per family

Tea and coffee provided for adults

**Please bring your own drink and snack for
your children**

Come along and make new friends

Contact Nicky for more details 07590618343

Love Your Library Day

Saturday 19 February, Essex Libraries celebrate Love Your Library Day - come together and enjoy your community

Each library will have activities for children and adults. Children can take part in superhero activities - story time, arts and crafts - and can come along dressed as their favourite superhero. We will be asking children to see if they can spot superhero posters to find out the secret word!

Adults can find out about community organisations and activities, and services we offer - Reading Friends and Playlist for Life. Reading Friends brings people together with trained volunteers to read, share stories and meet new friends,. Playlist for Life is a music and dementia charity that works to help everyone with dementia have a personalised music playlist, and everyone who loves or cares for them to know how to use it.

Research shows listening to a personalised playlist can improve the lives of those living with dementia. Some libraries will also be running a community teatime. Find out what is happening at your local library on our events listings.

As part of Love Your Library Day, we will also be running a prize draw to win children's goodie bags, kindly donated by Forbidden Planet.

Come along on Saturday 19 February, take part in some activities, get to know your community!

Every Wednesday, 10am to 10.30am, our library in Hatfield Peverel holds Rhyme Time for babies and toddlers. Do bring your young ones along, they will enjoy it.

St Andrews coffee time calls

Monthly coffee mornings on Saturdays 5 March and 2 April from 10.15am to 12 noon in the church hall.

Stalls usually include cakes, cards for most occasions, books galore, bric-a-brac and plenty of coffee and scones! And a raffle with many prizes.



Happy104th birthday Phyllis

Phyllis Blackett from Willowmead Care Home celebrated her special 104th birthday with her friends, the Willowmead family and Mayor of Chelmsford, Councillor Jude Deakin on Friday 21 January 2022.

Her birthday wish was to go to the theatre to see a Pantomime. Team Willowmead made her wish come true by inviting TickledPinkProduction to perform and celebrate with her. Everyone enjoyed an uplifting performance of the classic fairytale Cinderella, and a wonderful rendition of Happy Birthday. A special buffet lunch including delicious cake followed.

Phyllis said: 'What a fabulous birthday I have had, my secret to longevity is eating good food and being happy every day'.

Poppy Appeal

£10,415.66p is the final amount raised in our Poppy Day appeal 2021.



Thank you to everyone who has helped with this collection - your generosity is amazing.

Peter Archer

Update on Heritage

Parish Council's Local Heritage List Project

Public consultation for the Local Heritage List Project opened on 30 November 2021 and closed on 4 January 2022. At its meeting in January, the Parish Council agreed - in principle - to the emerging Local Heritage List for the parish. The Parish Council wishes to thank all those who nominated old buildings, structures, sites and features. The emerging Local Heritage List will be posted at the Library and on the Heritage section of the Parish Council website in mid-February.

An exhibition of Hatfield Peverel's Local Heritage List is scheduled to take place at the Library in May 2022. Please keep an eye out for it.

The Parish Council thanks members of the History Group who are working hard to raise the profile of Hatfield Peverel's Heritage and History: Councillor Lin Shaw; Councillor Kevin Gallifant; Margaret Freeman; Julia East; Helen Peter; Jenny Rowland; Val Doyle; and Colin Moore.

The Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II

This year marks the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II's reign. On 6 February 1952 the death of King George VI united the nation in grief. His Majesty's passing meant that Her Royal Highness, Princess Elizabeth became *Queen Regnant*. To quote from a Royal Statement:

'On 6 February this year Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth'.

The Coronation of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II took place at Westminster Abbey on 2 June 1953. If you are fortunate to have any memories of Hatfield Peverel around the time of Her Majesty's Coronation Day nearly seventy years ago, please get in touch. The Heritage Warden is researching what life was like in Hatfield Peverel at the beginning of Her Majesty's reign.

Perhaps you are 'the keeper' of a story handed down by a parent or grandparent living in the village at that time? Perhaps you or your family enjoyed a festive garden party? Or maybe you or your family bought a television to watch the Coronation Ceremony? Please get in touch if you would like to share a little snapshot of life at that time in Hatfield Peverel. You can contact Margaret Freeman, Heritage Warden for the Parish Council on: heritage@hatfieldpeverelpc.com

Love your trees

Environmental Advisory Group, for the Parish Council

Unfortunately there's been another incident in the pond area of the recreation ground where some of the newly planted trees have been ripped out along with stakes and put into the duck pond to make a bridge across to the island. These trees were replanted and stakes repositioned. Hopefully they will survive after being tampered with. Our Community Police Officer was advised of the situation which is being monitored.

The Parish Council is keen to improve the green spaces in our village but this is dependent on whether any newly planted trees and plants can remain undisturbed so that everyone can continue to enjoy them as they grow and mature into the future.

Please do keep an eye on the area, and report any damage or act of vandalism to the local Community Police Officer, PC James Draper at Braintree

email: james.draper@essex.police.uk or to the Clerk or your Councillors. Their details are in the Review.

Thank you.



Christmas celebrations - St Andrew's Junior School

We celebrated Christmas with the whole school turning full-on festive mode in the run up to the Christmas break. The children in Year 4 absolutely took the roof off the school hall

with their amazing performances of 'When Sasha got swept up the chimney'. The children loved performing as much as the audiences enjoyed watching! Well done to all staff involved with the preparation, creativity, props and technical support! Year 3 parents also have enjoyed a Nativity Tableaux which involved traditional carols, a rhyming version of the Christmas story, facts about Christmas across the world and lots of lovely singing and smiles.

We tried to make Christmas as 'normal' and special as possible and we thank our hard-working JSA who have been amazing organising so many wonderful Christmas activities, treats and special events.



It has been wonderful welcoming our new catering team to the school and our Christmas dinner was a huge hit with the children (and staff alike!). We hope to arrange more 'special' meals as the year progresses.

We were delighted to welcome several new families to the school at the start of term and we welcome any prospective parents and children to tour the school and see St. Andrew's in action. Tours can be arranged by contacting the school office on 01245 380131.

In the weeks ahead we look forward to welcoming the Hinduism Education Services into school as an alternative to our usual Year 5 trip to the Hindu Mandir in Neasden who are not taking visitors at the moment. Year 6 are scheduled to visit the Harry Potter Studios in March and we will report on both these exciting visits in the next edition.



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 clubs@hatfieldpeverel-jun.essex.sch.uk

On behalf of everyone here at St. Andrew's we wish you a continued safe, healthy and happy 2022.

Becky Black, Headteacher



Hadfelda WI - past and present

It is with much sadness that, after nearly 57 years, Hadfelda WI will be closing with effect from the end of March 2022. Started on 10 November 1965, the inaugural meeting was held in The Wheatsheaf pub, the 30 members then moved to the old village hall for their regular monthly gatherings. The first president was Eileen Harbottle, the treasurer Hilary Doe, and the name 'Hadfelda' (from the old Saxon word for Hatfield or Heathfield) was suggested by Anne Windus. The annual subscription in those days was 5 old shillings. Always a vibrant and active group, the WI ran a library from the old village hall (which used to be in The Street) before the present library was built.

Over the years the members have organised classes, outings, garden parties, themed dinners, village litter picks, had a float in the carnival and took part in the village pram race (both events sadly long gone) started a choir and yoga class. For many years a very successful WI market was run from the village hall selling food, crafts and plants until new rules and regulations made it impossible to continue.

Unfortunately it is becoming more difficult and time consuming to run the club with all the added bureaucracy. However, all is not lost! Like a Phoenix rising from the ashes a new independent club is planned to start in April. Watch this space!

However, we still have 2 meetings as WI members. Amanda Durrant our speaker for January, got our heart rate up with some deceptively gentle exercises which included stretching and breathing techniques. It's amazing how just changing your posture and sitting or standing slightly differently can make help elevate aches and pains. Amanda talked about wellness, mindfulness and feeling positive about yourself. The club still has plenty to look forward to with a pub lunch planned for February and an afternoon tea in March.

Our next meeting is Wednesday 23 February at 2pm in the Church Hall when we have a speaker from Braintree Museum. Visitors are very welcome.

Christmas festivities and virtual Burns night!

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

Our Christmas party was upset by the pandemic – no traditional buffet supper, no live music from Ian Jordan! But our team of chefs produced an excellent 3-course supper which slipped down nicely while conforming to current health and safety guidelines. Jack's Ukelele Band entertained with seasonal songs and 60s and 70s golden oldies, and Steve Spearman made us rack our brains with the club's version of Family Fortunes.

January's meeting was to be our annual quiz night, but with Omicron still holding sway it was decided discretion would be the better part of valour, and we cancelled the meeting. To avoid the disaster of a dry January, we arranged a virtual Burns Supper later in the month on Zoom. Members

were set the challenge of finding a bottle of wine with a Scottish connection – not the easiest task – and introducing Scottish food to accompany the wine.

In February we are all hoping to be back to normal in the village hall for a tasting of white and red Spanish rioja wines, looking at whether the classifications of Crianza, Reserva and Gran Reserva guarantee a better quality of wine or just a more expensive one!

If you'd like to join us for a light-hearted and inexpensive evening out, you be very welcome, but please give Vee a ring beforehand on 01245 355723 to ensure there is enough food and drink for all. We normally meet on the second Wednesday each month with some exceptions, especially during the summer months, so it is worth phoning first. Why not catch up with what's been happening at the Wine Club over the last few months by viewing our website at www.peverelwineclub.co.uk Stay well, stay cheerful, and keep drinking the wine!

Anyone for table tennis?

Table tennis is healthy, active, and enjoyable, proven to enhance personal, physical, mental well-being. It is also relatively inexpensive to kit out and play.



We are a local club established in 1981 and have continued to flourish in the village. The Chelmsford League restarted competitive play last September and the first half of the new season saw our five teams doing well in Divisions 2 and 3, and three teams in Division 5. We are now in the second half of the season running up to April. We are always looking for additional, experienced players to reinforce our teams, and maybe increase to 6 teams next season.

Home playing night is Tuesday: we have 25 members of all ages and standards, male and female. We play home league matches in the village hall in Maldon Road, with excellent, safe playing conditions and top class equipment. League match evenings are friendly and good fun,

If you wish to play competitively or to re-start your playing career you would be most welcome. To join a league teams leave your details with Club Secretary Neil Freeman 01245 382249 or myself Club Chairman Andy Simmonds on 01245 381020 or 07932 057 205. Please contact us.

If you want to play non-competitive, social table tennis, contact Alan Benfield 07741 140732.

A good walk followed by an even better Christmas dinner!

In December thirteen walkers met at The Wheatsheaf for a very convivial extended festive lunch and walk to and from the pub!

In January, on a pleasant day, fifteen members walked from the village to Paper Mill Lock via the Church, Nounsley Ford, the Ridge, down to the River Chelmer and along the towpath to the lock for refreshment and chat with fellow walking groups, of which there were several. The return route was via Worlds End cottage and across the field to the farm track up to the road and then back down to the River Ter and up to the new site allotments - a total distance of about 5 miles.

Our next two walk dates are 24 February and 31 March, starting from the village hall at 10am. New walkers are asked to check before attending - please see below.

New members who would like to explore the area are particularly welcome to join us. Walks take place on the last Thursday of the month and generally last for about 3-4 hours and cover 4 -5 miles - but please no animals. No subscription, for more information please contact Graham Bushby on 07484 864712.

Bowlers get playing

Derek Wallis



Spring is coming and we hope life will soon be back to normal. Short-mats are now able to play up to four days a week, and once a month they meet for a friendly game against another Club. We are also playing our interclub competitions.

The January 'Joan Cowell' pairs was won by Honey Bleach and Yvonne Steel. Whilst we are playing competitions we also have roll-ups and all members are encouraged to play whenever they wish. We are maintaining current membership, but more would be welcome.

With event of the coming Spring the outside green will be available late April. and a reminder that our AGM is on the 11 March 2pm.

Sunday Cinema

Once a month Witham Library is transformed into a picture house, and you can sit back and enjoy yourselves (sorry no peanuts). Doors open 2pm for 2.30pm showing.

Sunday 13 March - Bringing Up Baby

Sunday 10 April - Some Like It Hot

Maldon Film Club

Due to limited space we can't include the programme in this edition. Showings continue on alternate Wednesdays at 8pm until 25 May. Wednesday 19 February showing is 'Official Secrets' (biography, crime, drama).

Hatfield Peverel Parish Council

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Bingo, theatre, craft fairs, EMC club and more at our Village Hall

www.HatPevVHall.org/

www.facebook.com/hatfieldpeverelvillagehall/

Since the last issue, we've added more activities and events at the hall: bingo on the first Friday of the month, the EMC club has re-started weekly on Wednesday afternoon, and we now have crafts at the Community Café the last Thursday of the month. We cut the hours of the café as the demand wasn't there in the afternoons, but we are still open weekday mornings 8 until 11pm (and Saturday mornings in February). We hope to reopen in the afternoons in the spring.

We have some great events coming up including 'Great Expectations' from the Pantaloons Theatre Group and 'The Time Machine' from The Keepers Daughter, as well as music nights with bands such as Scooby and Exposé coming up.

Finally, we'll be running craft and farmers markets starting in March. Thanks to grants from Braintree District Council and The Rural Community Council of Essex, we've replaced many of our windows with better insulated and ventilated units; a new oven in the kitchen; hand dryers and baby changing facilities in the toilets and new flooring in the lounge coming soon.

The stage lighting is being restored and also the fine-sounding PA is now working - all ready for the stage, theatre and music shows. Please check our events and weekly schedule and come along and support your hall and meet your friends at our shows, events and activities. All details on our website and on the village hall noticeboards.

March

Fri 4th	Bingo	7pm-10pm
Sat 19th	Craft Fair	10am-4pm
Sun 20th	Theatre: Great Expectations	3pm-5:30pm

April

Fri 1st	Bingo	8pm-10pm
Sat 2nd	Horticultural Show	2pm-4:30pm
Sun 24th	Theatre: The Time Machine	2:30-4pm

Useful telephone numbers

Please contact the editors for additions/errors.

Age UK Essex 01245 346106

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

Office 01376 574330

Doctors, health services

Hatfield Peverel doctors' surgery 01245 380324

NHS - non-emergency helpline 111

Pharmacy, Hadfelda Square 01245 380130

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

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

Post Office 01245 382787

Open 7am - 10pm, last collection 4.30pm

Railway Information

Greater Anglia 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

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Hatfield Peverel Infant School 01245 380220

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Childminders

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Nicky Shelley 07590 618343

Social Services 0345 6037630

Village hall 01245 381481

Let us know of useful services to add to this list

Aluminium cans raise £1,000 for Essex Air Ambulance

Many thanks for all the aluminium drinks cans and silver foil you in the village have collected since we started in October 2020. Please continue to put your cans in the green recycling bin behind the Scout and Guide Headquarters in Church Road.



But please remember - **we are only looking for aluminium cans - NOT fruit or baked bean cans. Basically any items which are magnetic will NOT be aluminium and so CANNOT be used.**

It would also be helpful if you could crush the cans before you put them in the green bin. We can fit more in!

Any questions call Andy Simmonds on 01245 381020.



Hatfield Place: its history from 1791 to 2021

A talk by Margaret Freeman, Hatfield Peverel Heritage Warden

In December the Parish Council, Helen Rollason Cancer Charity and Hatfield Place hosted a festive evening at the magnificent Orangery in the grounds of Hatfield Place. Guests were treated to a talk about the history of this elegant country house that dates to the eighteenth century.

The Parish Council's Local Heritage List Project took centre stage. Members of the History Group were on hand to answer questions about the built historic environment of Hatfield Peverel. This prompted guests to chat about old buildings, structures, sites and features in the parish.

The Parish Council's Heritage Warden delivered a talk called: 'A History of Hatfield Place, 1791-2021'. The lecture gave parishioners an insight into the construction of this Georgian dwelling; an opportunity to marvel at its structural transformations since 1791; and an understanding of the trials and tribulations of its custodians down through the ages.

Rick Thompson of Helen Rollason Cancer Charity gave an overview of the work of this brilliant charity. On the evening, a remarkable £339 was raised to help HRCC continue its vital work. Then, Ian Twinley concluded with a fascinating update of his role as custodian of Hatfield Place, reminding the audience that a heritage asset (an old building) is an irreplaceable resource. He enthralled guests with stories of restoring Hatfield Place to its original splendour, landscaping its grounds and repurposing this Georgian dwelling as wedding venue.

The 'Hatfield Place Christmas Talk' was an evening of Heritage spirits – past, present and future.

Main photo - History Group's Margaret Freeman; Jenny Rowland and Helen Peter with Ian Twinley