# HATFIELD PEVEREL VILLAGE VOICE

**Community comes together** Get ready for Party in the Park A visit from the bees!

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## PARISH COUNCIL

# PARISH NEWS FOR JUNE

#### **CONSTRUCTION WORK CONTINUES**

Construction work continues on the tennis courts. We've been asked whether the courts will be open in time for this year's Wimbledon. Unfortunately, due to the many-layered process involved, we don't expect the courts to be ready for then. We'll keep you updated as to when they will be accessible along with details of how to book to use them.

#### VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK INFORMATION

We appreciated your understanding while the Village Hall car park was closed to residents. For future reference, the Hadfelda Square car park - a short walk from the recreation ground - acts as a good alternative whenever the village hall carpark is closed. Parking is free - though you do need to display a ticket - and is restricted to two hours.

#### PARTY IN THE PARK

We're getting ever closer to our annual summer event, Party in the Park. Make sure you've got that date in your diary and be sure to follow the Parish Council's social media pages for further updates. We also have a page dedicated to the event on our website and you can read more about it in this issue on page 11.

Follow us for news and updates:

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<u>@HatPevPC</u>

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

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

#### **REWILDING IN HATFIELD PEVEREL**

We have come to the end of No Mow May and as per the information in our April issue of Village Voice, those areas designated to remain uncut for this period will soon be managed. For information on the remaining areas to be left to rewild throughout summer please refer. to the rewilding article on our website https://www.hatfieldpeverelpc.com/a/52045760-56236340

#### COMMUNITY INFORMATION EVENT

The annual Community Information Event was held in May and we'd like to thank the residents who attended as well as those who set up information stands. You can read more about it on page 22. If you had a chance to speak with our voluntary Special Sergeant that day, you'll know that 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-constablerecruitment/

#### **GET INVOLVED**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Monday 2nd June 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.

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

Sarah Gaeta, Parish Clerk; Carly Truman, Assistant Clerk Parish Council Office, Village Hall, Maldon Road, Hatfield Peverel, CM3 2HP Tel 01245 382865. Email: parishclerk@hatfieldpeverelpc.com or



# Young Explorers & the journey so far



Words by Councillor Tina Short

In a first for any Parish Council in the UK, Hatfield Peverel is proud to be running its very own Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award programme. Since the start of the year, a small but enthusiastic group of local young people has been meeting regularly at the Village Hall to develop new skills, take on physical challenges, and prepare for their first outdoor expedition.

Richard and I supply the adult support, while the DofE skills instruction is led by Ben Blackborow, from Essex Youth Services.

Our initial sessions involved lively activities so we could get to know each other and discover a bit more about each other's skills and interests. As the oldest adult present, I was staggered at how active these young people are out of school, compared to my far more reserved lifestyle when aged 14. Their interests in football, artistic swimming, pony racing and horse riding, plus learning various musical instruments made my handicrafts and membership of a choir seemed very tame in comparison! These skills and activities will be continued by the young people, or new activities have been selected, with them submitting evidence of their progress as part of their D of E Bronze Level activities for "Skills" and "Physical". They also will undertake activities to fulfil the volunteering element of the Bronze Award, such as litter picking or helping with younger members of Scouts or Guides.



After a session on basic First Aid, we moved on to map skills, using compasses and grid references to locate places on a map, then using the contour lines and illustrations on the map to describe the terrain and the features present in the area. As the weather improved, we moved outdoors to learn how to erect and use a small portable stove called a Trangier, plus we practised our navigation skills to follow an Easter egg hunt route around the recreation ground.



The most entertaining outdoor activity so far has been tent building. Quite straightforward to begin with but the second version involved 3 out of the 4 young people performing the tasks blindfolded and relying on clear instructions from the single sighted member of the team! It was very successful and hugely amusing for the adult observers!

As the summer progresses, we are hoping to run a weekend expedition to put into practice the map skills, compass work, knowledge of the Countryside Code and hopefully NOT the basic First Aid! This expedition will also involve one night's camping and a meal cooked on a trangier. Later in the year, we hope the participants will be ready for their real expedition which will be monitored by DofE assessors.

As we look ahead, there's a real sense of excitement and pride in what these young people are achieving—not just in ticking off the requirements of the Bronze Award, but in building confidence, friendships, and life skills that will stay with them for years to come. We're thrilled to be part of their journey and can't wait to see them complete their final expedition and receive their well-earned awards. It's a fantastic milestone for them—and for our village.



### **NEWS FROM ST. ANDREW'S AND ALL SAINTS**

Our June report was put together in mid May, just before the formal Licensing by Bishop Roger and Installation of Reverend Howard Schnaar as Priest in Charge of the Parish of St Andrew's Hatfield Peverel with All Saints, Ulting. So we will report more on that in next month's issue.

On the day before the formal Licensing and Installation we will have had our Annual Parochial Church Meeting when we will have looked back at last year and the situation leading up to Howard's big day. As our Annual Report quoted:

"There were a series of events leading up to Stephen's final services in November last year-with a first memorable service here at St Andrew's attended by Bishop Roger, then a final eucharist service at All Saints, followed by Stephen's final Eucharist here.

The Hadfelda Choir, led by Barbara Mason, made a valuable contribution to the services at both churches which celebrated Stephen's nearly 30 years dedication to this parish– a milestone in the story of this parish as Stephen will have been our last incumbent. There were many tributes to Stephen, memories of his gentle and prayerful ministry, his huge and valuable knowledge of the Christian faith and his gift of explaining the scriptures; his active role in the music of the church (and Handel), his organisation of special services– he was always there with kind words of wisdom and comfort."

The report applauded the fine ministry of Derek Clark at All Saints and thanked all those the who have so unstintingly given of their time and effort to support the churches in our villages, and we gave particular thanks to John Strange for all his incredible service given to the Parish over the last 23 years. Although John is standing down as churchwarden he has very nobly offered to carry on as treasurer until we find a replacement, and that is now an urgent necessity. We would really appreciate any one in the village (or outside) who could offer a bit of time (and preferably some computer ability) who could volunteer to support us. Meantime we are delighted to welcome Mark Keenan as churchwarden following on from John.

We recorded our huge thanks to the Witham and team ministry for support generally - to Jonathan Pritchard as Team Rector but most particularly to Howard Schnaar who has been magnificent in providing cover for services here at St Andrews, and who, together with his wife Deirdre and daughter Bethany, has involved himself fully in the affairs of the village .We were delighted when the formal proposal was made that Howard should become Priest in Charge of the Parish; and we are looking forward to the formal Licensing and Installation service led by Bishop Roger.

#### **VE Day Celebrations**



In May, we had a very successful 80<sup>th</sup> VE Day coffee morning. The hall was dressed with union flags and photographs of family members who had been lost or had survived armed conflict invoked some poignant memories, as did a photo montage of VE day itself. Our last Soup and Roll in aid of Christian Aid (in Christian Aid week) was enjoyed by 28 (several regulars being away) and raised £170 for that excellent charity.

#### **Dates for your Diaries**

**Saturday June 7th** 10-12noon - Coffee Morning (always the first Saturday of the month).

**Tuesday June 10<sup>th</sup>** 12.30-2.00pm - Soup and Roll in aid of Amos Trust- a small creative human rights organisation committed to challenging injustice, building hope and creating positive change.

Details of our June services are over the page.



	St Andrews	All Saints
Sunday 1st	(+refreshments after 10.15 services) 10.15am Matins (Morning Prayer with hymns)	9am Holy Communion +refreshments
Saturday 7th	10 -12 noon	
,	OFFEE MORNING in St Andre	w's Church Hall
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	8am Holy Communion	9am Morning Prayer
PENTECOST	10.15 <b>All Age Service</b> (with short Communion)	
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	SOUP and ROLLS in St An 12.30- 2pm (In aid of AMOS t	
Sunday 15th	10.15 Parish Eucharist	9am Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd	10.15 Parish Eucharist	9am <b>Parish Eucharist</b> (Common Worship) +refreshments
Sunday 29th	10.15 Parish Eucharist	9am Holy Communion
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Parish of St Andrew Hatfield Peverel with All Saints Ulting

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#### A Talk and Demonstration *JUILOW in the Landscape by* Deb Hart *iv* Teb Hart *iv iv iv*

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#### TRAFFIC NEWS

### LANGFORD ROAD, HEYBRIDGE ROADWORKS & TEMPORARY CLOSURE

Work to connect the new Westcombe roundabout to the existing highway, adjacent to the old railway overbridge at Langford, is scheduled for late June to mid-September. Langford Road (B1018), the continuation of Maldon Road (B1019) from Langford Church, will be subject to temporary traffic lights or full closure as follows:

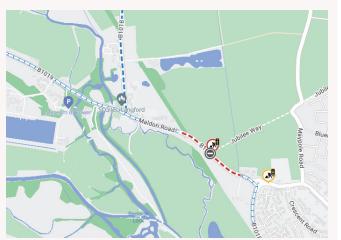
- 30 June to 22 July 2025 temporary traffic lights will be in operation. The road will remain open to all traffic but delays will be inevitable
- 23 July to 31 August **full road closure** from just past Langford Church to just before Langford Roundabout
- 1 September to 19 September temporary traffic lights will be in operation. The road will remain open to all traffic but delays will be inevitable.

The Parish Council is working closely with ECC Highways and the developer for Westcombe Park to ensure that appropriate signage is in place to try to prevent local roads becoming overburdened with additional traffic. There will be signage on the A12, both northbound and southbound, to direct large lorries along a specific route using the A414 via Danbury. There will undoubtedly be those who seek to avoid the diversionary routes and regrettably there is little that can be done to prevent this although we expect that satnav systems will indicate the total road closure during the relevant period.

### We have not yet received any information regarding the 73 bus service which uses this stretch of road but, if received in time, this will be published in the July edition of Village Voice.

Essex Highways have a dedicated web page – <u>www.essex.gov.uk/highways</u> and search for "Westcombe Park Development. The Parish Council's traffic group will continue to monitor for any changes to the currently planned dates. Our email, for any questions not covered by ECC, is - traffic@hatfieldpeverelpc.com

John Cockell, Traffic Advisory Group Chairman





## June allottment tips: Getting the Most from Your Maturing Garden!

Hello Gardeners! We're halfway through the year and edging towards the summer solstice - time to start enjoying the early fruits (and veggies!) of your hard preparatory work.

#### Harvest Time & Garden Growth

New potatoes and early vegetables are ready to enjoy but only dig up what you need to keep them fresher for longer. Though we've had some sunny spells, the wind chill and lack of spring rain made planting tricky. If you're running late on sowing, you're not alone! Plug plants by mail are a speedy way to catch up.

#### **Slugs & Seedlings**

Keep an eye out for slugs especially around young, softstemmed plants. As you hoe between rows, check for damage. On dry days, leave hoed weeds on the surface to wither naturally.

#### June Jobs for the Veg Patch

- Asparagus: Unusually early this year. Stop harvesting by the end of June and feed crowns with fertiliser or manure.
- Sow again: Beetroot, carrots, French beans, lettuce, and turnips can all go in now.
- **Plant out:** Courgettes, sweetcorn, pumpkins, and squashes are ready to transplant.
- **Brassicas**: Cover with fine mesh to protect from cabbage white butterflies laying eggs.
- **Potatoes**: Earth up and check for blight. Late planting in containers or sacks? Go for it—they grow fast and are easier to harvest.





#### Flowers to Sow This Month

Brighten your plot with sunflowers, cornflowers, nasturtiums, poppies, and cosmos. Tip: **Stake your sunflowers well** to prevent wind damage - especially important for both adult and young gardeners' pride and joy!

#### **Key Tasks This Month**

- **Share the love**: Give spare plants to neighbours! Helps to avoid crowding and builds community!
- **Hoe regularly**: Catch weeds while they're small.
- **Install water butts**: Rain is precious. Guttering on sheds and greenhouses helps too.
- Weed suppression: Try weed membrane to reduce future effort.
- Wildlife-friendly watering: Place shallow dishes with stones for bees and small animals.

#### **Planning Ahead**

- Visit little & often to keep on top of rapid summer growth.
- Weed, weed and then weed some more! Stay on top of weeds now for less hassle later.
- Take photos your plot's progress will inspire your future plans.
- Don't forget to take a break chat with neighbours, swap tips, and admire all your hard work! Friendly encouragement is a great motivator.

#### **Until Next Time**

Gardening is better when shared - whether extra plants, advice, or just a wave and a smile across the allotment. Here's to a lush and rewarding June! Happy growing!

Whether you're new to the village or a long-time resident, and a keen gardener, why not take on the joy of growing your own vegetables or cultivating some flowers and herbs. If you're considering having an allotment, register your interest at https://membermojo.co.uk/hpaa/joinus.

Helen Rollason **Cancer Charity** 

## **WHAT'S ON THIS SUMMER**

Thank you to all the riders in our ride For Helen cycle event in May. The sun shone and around 700 cyclists enjoyed pedalling through the Essex countryside while raising valuable funds for the charity. Thank you to the volunteers that made the event a huge success – those that helped in the-run up to the event, those at the event hub and those marshalling the routes. Finally, a big thank you to the local businesses that sponsored the event or donated refreshments.

#### A Vintage Summer Outing

Whether you love a vintage day out or you are a classic car enthusiast, a lover of handmade crafts or simply seeking a fun day out, our two vintage events are not to be missed. There will be lots of stalls, live entertainment, music, dancing, children's entertainment, vintage cars and a range of food and drink caterers. We are at Cressing Temple Barns on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July and at Layer Marney Tower on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August. Come along with your family or friends for a fun nostalgic day out, and dogs are welcome too. Details and tickets for all our events are on our website at www.helenrollason.org.uk/events/





#### Dates of Helen Rollason Cancer Charity events

Saturday 14 June – Donation Day at our centre in Hatfield Peverel from 9am to 12pm. Bring along your good quality pre-loved items. Parking available.

Sunday 13 July – Vintage and Makers Day at Cressing Temple Barns

Saturday 19 July – Donation Days at our centre on The Street, Hatfield Peverel. Bring along your good quality pre-loved items. Parking is available to drop off your items.

Sunday 24 August -Marvellous Vintage at Layer Marney Tower





#### Supporting the charity and tasting beer

We are delighted to be one of the chosen charities for the 2025 Chelmsford Beer Festival taking place in July. If you are planning to attend the festival, please visit our stall which will be manned by some of our hardworking volunteers.

#### Our support

We offer a range of care and support using complementary therapies as well as counselling, mindfulness, yoga and more. We're here for anyone with any type of cancer at all stages – newly diagnosed, throughout treatment and during recovery. Call us on 01245 382888 for information.



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## Hatfield Peverel Methodist Church

Easter was some time ago and yet the experience of one of the disciples involved continually resonates with us. We're speaking of Thomas, Jesus's follower who will forever be known as Doubting Thomas! He had witnessed the horrific death of the leader he had followed for 3 years. We can only imagine how he must have felt when his friends told him that Jesus was alive and that they had seen him. Unbelievable! He famously said he needed to see with his own eyes – in fact, he needed to touch the wounds he had seen inflicted. He didn't just doubt – he couldn't believe it.

Many of us spend time worrying about FOMO (fear of missing out). Sometimes seeing photos or videos of important events in the lives of those we love can compensate for our absence – but usually nothing compares to being there. Thomas's doubt and disbelief were dealt with when Jesus appeared to him. You can find this related in John 20:24-29.

So what about us? How can we believe what we are told – and even what we see and hear, in an age when images are altered and messages distorted so we can be duped and manipulated? Trust and certainty can appear to be in short supply. Faith depends upon believing what we haven't seen, trusting in what can't be proved. For Christians, this certainty helps us deal with the rest of life's uncertainties. During our Sunday worship we often share how we feel about the things that trouble us and would love you to join us to share too. We meet on Sunday mornings from 09.15am in Room 3 of the Village Hall (access through Coffee Lounge).



You can contact us as follows: Minister: Barry Allen 01621 853423 Mission Lead: Jane Cook 07827 594535 Church email for information and prayer requests: hpmethodistchurch@gmail.com





Bereavement Help Point **Hatfield Peverel** Drop in group for anyone bereaved We offer a relaxed and friendly environment where you can meet new people, share experiences and access help and support, while enjoying a chat over a cup of tea or coffee. Date: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month Time: 1.30pm to 3.00pm Location: Community Cafe, Hatfield Peverel Village Hall, Maldon Road, Hatfield Peverel, CM3 2HP For more info visit www.farleighhospice.org/bereavement or call 01245 457308 It is because you care that we can arleigh www.farleighhospice.org Registered Charity No. 284670

# Stitch to Enrich

Come and make friends as we chat, stitch and relax

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays each month 2pm – 4pm

The Coffee Lounge Hatfield Peverel Village Hall Maldon Road, CM3 2HP

We share the joy of stitching and friendship. A warm welcome awaits you....

For more information, please contact Jane Cook 07827 594535 or <u>Stitch2enrich@qmail.com</u>

## Party in the Park is back and you're invited!

After last year's washout, we're crossing everything for sunshine as *Party in the Park* returns with a full day of summer fun, live music, great food and entertainment for all ages!

This much-loved community summer celebration, sponsored by the Parish Council and brought to life by our wonderful Community Events Committee, takes place on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July** at the Strutt Memorial Recreation Ground – and best of all **ent**  SUPPORT BORROW And An Apple Win And End And And Apple Win Apple Win And Apple Win Apple

Memorial Recreation Ground – and best of all, entry is completely free.

Whether you've been before or you're thinking of coming for the first time, this year's event promises to be a fantastic day out. Expect traditional games, brilliant local stalls, delicious food and drink, and a chance to catch up with friends and neighbours.

#### Live music lineup

We've got an exciting lineup of bands to keep you dancing right through to sundown. Headlining this year are <u>Bootsy</u> – a high-energy Soul and Funk band who never fail to get the crowd moving. They'll be joined by <u>Focus</u>, <u>The</u> <u>Allykats</u>, and local favourites <u>Inari</u>.

#### Tuck in!

Hungry? We've got you covered. Grab a gourmet slice from *Square and Circle Pizza*, get smoky flavours from *Smokey Jim's*, sip a cocktail from <u>The Tipsy Grey</u>, indulge your sweet tooth at *The Treat Stop*, or enjoy a cold drink from <u>The Swan</u> <u>Inn</u> bar. Oh, and don't forget the ice cream van!

#### Fun for all the family

Kids (and grown-ups!) can enjoy face painting, bouncy castles from <u>Essex</u> <u>Amusements</u>, apple bobbing, tomahawk throwing with the <u>Scouts</u>, croquet, a

teddy tombola, and much more. Plus, there'll be visits from the community police, fire engine and ambulance crews – along with the brilliant Essex Community First Aid team and the Essex Youth Bus. And be sure to get a ticket for our fabulous raffle!

#### Can you lend a hand?

This event is completely run by volunteers, and we'd love a few extra pairs of hands to help set up, pack away, or keep things running smoothly on the day. If you can spare a bit of time, please get in touch – it's a great way to get involved and be part of something special.

#### Local clubs and vintage cars

Drop by and say hello to Maldon Bee Keepers and discover what our local clubs and societies have to offer. You'll also be able to admire a display of beautiful vintage cars.

#### All the details

The fun kicks off at **1pm** – and we kindly ask that you don't set up any seating or gazebos before then. The event runs through **to 9:30pm**. Parking is available on the Rec, but if you're able to walk, even better! Picnics are welcome (no personal BBQs, please).

So, bring your friends, bring your family – and let's make this summer's Party in the Park one to remember!





#### **TERLING WI**

### Buffy the life saver!

Back in April's meeting we welcomed John and Pam from The Medical Detection Dogs with the beautiful Buffy. We had a super meeting learning about all the things MDD do, and the difference that dogs can make in helping identify various diseases. It's clear that dogs can do what science can't! Buffy is in training and lives with Carole but spends time with John for socialisation and training. She came along to the meeting and welcomed members and guests. She had lots of cuddles before heading off home for a well earned nap!

MDD rely on the generosity of supporters, charitable trusts and foundations and members of the public to fund their life-saving work. MDD are on the charity speaker list, so please do get in touch and support a wonderful charity - their work is just incredible!

This month, on 26th June, we welcome back Gemma from The Deli where she will host our second cheese and wine evening. All attendees are required to book in in advance, members are free to attend, guests welcome at £10pp. Ladies must be booked in by 19<sup>th</sup> June to ensure we cater for all.

We are now open for new memberships and renewals, so why not give us a go? Membership is just £51 for the year. This includes 11 meetings from April 2025 through to March 2026, which equates to just £4.60 per meeting. We have a super calendar of events booked in this year already! Terling WI meet every fourth Thursday of the month in Terling Village Hall at 7.30pm. Our meetings range from different speakers, crafts and activities to our annual summer party and theatre trips. Complimentary tea and cake served as standard at Terling WI meetings, as well as friendly faces, friendships and lots more.

Thursday 26th June attendees must book in before 19th June. Guest fee £10 for this meeting Thursday 17th July

**NEXT MEETING DATES:** 

Monthly meeting members only & must book in

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For more information, email terlingwi@outlook.com or call Lucy on 07926 649669. Follow us on Facebook @terlingwi





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WFA, ESSEX BRANCH

### COMMEMORATING SERVICE AND SACRIFICE

In June 1915, fighting continued across the world - on land, on sea, and in the air. As a group, we are focussed on the First World War in terms of remembrance and education. Last month was the commemoration of the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Victory in Europe following WW2 - commemorations that many of us took part in.

There is a strong link between the First World War and the Second, which is not something that always springs to mind, particularly the Home on Front. The Women's Land Army and women working in



factories, on the buses and many other roles were aspects of the First War that carried through. Many of those serving in the Auxiliary Fire Service, Civil Defence and, of course, The Home Guard served in the First World War and their experience was vital in the dark times of the Blitz and immediately after Dunkirk. The photo here is the memorial to firefighters that gave their lives, located at St Pauls Cathedral.

June is one of the months when the Branch holds its talk in Hornchurch. This time, the focus is on the 1918 campaign in Palestine - a lesser-known but hard-fought operation that lasted three years. Four battalions of the Essex Regiment were involved from the outset, having previously served in Gallipoli.

We are back at the Village Hall at Hatfield Peverel on Wednesday July the 9th for a talk by Andy Stuart. He will be telling us of another little-known campaign, right at the end of the First World War, in northern Russia where the western allies provided support to the White Russians in their civil war with the Bolsheviks. A relative of Andy's served in this campaign. Our talk starts from 8pm and all are welcome though we do request an entrance donation of £3.50.

The Branch has a monthly newsletter which carries information remembering casualties from Essex, historical articles and forthcoming events or publications that may be of use to anyone with an interest of the First World War. If you would like to receive a copy by email, with attachments, please ask via essexwfa@googlemail.com We ask for no other information and the newsletter is the sole use of the email address.

Hatfield Peverel Flower Club Programme for 2025 4th June Terry Babbage - "My Indian Experience" 2nd July Deb Hart - "Willow in the Landscape" A talk and demonstration. N.B. No meeting in August

	The mooting in August
3rd September	Violetta Veikniene - "The Language of Flowers"
1st October	Rekha Naidoo - "Inspiration of India"
5th November	Helen Bird - "Made to Measure"
3rd December	Lorraine Gragen - "Christmas theme TBC"

Hatfield Peverel Village Hall, Maldon Road, CM3 2HP 7.30 for 8pm **Refreshments and Raffle** Guests welcome Non-members £7

For further details telephone: Jane Eastall on 01245 466364 or to join the email group to receive updates contact: Helen Peter on helenopeter@yahoo.co.uk

www.hatfieldpeverelflowerclub.co.uk





# EN GARDENS





Springfield - Sunday 1 June Curling Tye - Saturday 7 June Danbury and Little Baddow – Sunday 8 June Burnham-on-Crouch - Sunday 8 June

Little Waltham and Classic Car Show - Sunday 22 June South Woodham Ferrers - Sunday 6 July

For more information visit: **farleighhospice.org/gardens** 



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#### MALDON FILM CLUB

# Onwards to the 21<sup>st</sup> Season!

Maldon Film Club continues to go from strength to strength and its successful  $20^{th}$  season finished in May 2025 with the screening of *The Eight Mountains* and *The Great Escaper*.

Of the 19 films screened during the 2024/25 season, a significant majority received an approval rating above 70% with two, 20 Days in Mariupol and One Life, topping the 90% mark and five, The Phantom of the Open, The Old Oak, The Holdovers, Till and Wicked Little Letters, scoring above 80%.

As one season ends, Maldon Film Club's committee is preparing already for its 21<sup>st</sup> season which begins on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025 and continues until Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2026. The programme for the new season is heavily influenced by the members' votes. As always, it will cover a wide variety of themes with films from different regions of the world. Many of the nineteen films to be screened have received Oscar awards and/or nominations and, as usual, the programme will offer something for everybody. Further details of our 2025/26 season, including a full list of the films to be screened, will be published in next month's magazine. Also, watch this space for details of a very special celebration event which will be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025.

The Club, which was formed in 2005, meets at Maldon Town Hall on a Tuesday evening (September to December) and then on a Wednesday from January until the end of the season. Doors open at 7.15pm, wine and soft drinks are available, at a charge from 7.30pm and unless otherwise stated, the films commence at 8.00pm.



Currently, there are some 180 members and the price of next season's annual subscription will be just £30. This entitles members to free admission to all of the season's nineteen films, that's less than £1.60 per film! In addition, there are a limited number of places for junior members aged 16-18 in full-time education and training at the reduced cost of £20 and members' guests pay just £4. As a member, you will be asked to give your reaction to the films you have seen and also help the committee compile the programme for the following season. Membership is open to all and new members will be made very welcome.

For further details please check out the website <u>www.maldonfilmclub.uk</u>, visit the Maldon Visitor Information Centre (Tuesday – Saturday 1100-1600) or phone 01621 869340 for membership enquiries. If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me, John Salisbury, on 07905 971608.

# HATFIELD PEVEREL

To mark the 80th anniversary of VE Day, the Parish Council hosted a themed afternoon tea party on 7th May 2025 for some of the senior citizens in the village, with live music and songs from the era sung by Lyz Le Fay from Brentwood Mac.

Local nursery and primary school children joined the event to connect with the older generation, alongside members of The Western Front Association, the EMC and the Hadfelda Ladies Group. This celebration of community heritage bridged generations, offered companionship and recognition for the older residents, and a created a meaningful, engaging experience for the younger attendees to learn about the past. A good time was had by all!



Hatfield Peverel Community Association and the Parish Council would like to extend their sincere thanks to Braintree District Council, and especially to Councillors Charley Dervish and James Coleridge, for providing a Councillor Community Grant that made this event possible.

by Carly Truman



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# Celebrating more success

With the 2024/25 season finishing for all teams in mid-May, it was great to see more silverware being added to the trophy cabinet.

Our U10 Blaze were victorious in their League Cup Final at the end of April, and the same weekend our Saturday Reserve Team, managed by Owen Dawson and Paul Rolfe, secured the double by clinching the Richard Degville Cup.





Whilst it is always fantastic when our teams win trophies, we will look back with pride on another great season for all our teams. We would collectively like to thank all our players, managers and coaches for their efforts, as well as the great support from parents. Finally, we would like to acknowledge the huge effort that goes on behind the scenes from our willing team of volunteers and Committee members. We will all be taking a few weeks off before preparations for Thomson Day and the new season come around fast.

#### **Thomson Day 2025**

Our annual 'in-house' youth tournament will take place on **Saturday**, **21**<sup>st</sup> **June 2025.** Teams will be competing in a 5a-side tournament across all age groups. There will be a bouncy castle, Football Darts and many other fun activities as well as a BBQ and licensed bar running all day, so please come and join us at the Keith Bigden Memorial Ground.



## HPFC Ladies - Player Pathway

Hatfield Peverel FC Ladies continue to strive for greatness, showing unwavering commitment to each other and to the badge, no matter the circumstances. Even as games have been postponed and the country swelters through its hottest days of the year, the squad has been out on the training pitches putting in the work. Their dedication to improvement - rain or shine - embodies the spirit that's been at the heart of their recent successes.

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As the season draws closer to its finale, the team is not only focused on the final run-in but also looking forward to a well-earned break. After an intense season, a short rest will offer a valuable chance to recharge, reflect, and return refreshed for pre-season preparations.

We're also looking forward to hosting **HPFC Ladies Day**, a special occasion where we celebrate all our incredible Hatfield girls. It's set to be a fantastic day of football, showcasing the talent across age groups - from our energetic U11s to our senior squad. It's days like these that remind us why we love the game and the community that comes with it.

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& Treasurer	Howard	treasurer@hatfieldpeverelfc.co.
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HPFC Meerkats	Luca Curtis	07745 728430



For all the latest matchday photos, behindthe-scenes action, and player updates, make sure you're following us on Instagram: **@hpfc\_ladies**.

#### Dates for your diary

- Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> June 2025 Thomson Day 2025
- Sunday, 31st August 2025 HPFC Ladies Day 2025



The bees were on the move last month! A swarm settled on the Acer tree next to the jubilee bench on the recreation ground here in Hatfield Peverel. The next day they were still there so our local beekeeper, Wes Coupland came out to assist. However the bees took matters into their hands and moved on by themselves.

Swarming is a natural process for bees where the colony reproduces by the old queen leaving with some of the bees. They leave their hive and find somewhere to hang in a cluster until the scout bees decide on their new home.

Most swarms occur on warm sunny days from May to the end of July usually between 11am – 4pm. A real honey bee swarm can be extremely dramatic involving many thousands of bees in a large noisy cloud However, they normally settle into a cluster within 15 minutes. If you have bees on your premises it is important to identify them correctly in order to determine who to approach for help. As well as honey bees there are around 24 species of bumblebee and over 240 species of solitary bee in the UK. This website will help you identify bees: <u>https://beedentify.info/</u>

Don't attempt to interfere with a swarm and should you spot one, give Wes a call on 077043 22834 or email at <u>wezbeez@hotmail.com</u> or you can visit The British Beekeepers Association <u>https://www.bbka.org.uk/</u> For more information about bumble bees, visit <u>https://www.bumblebeeconservation.org/</u>



# HATFIELD PEVEREL FOOTBALL CLUB THOMSON

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OPEN EVENT - PLEASE COME ALONG AND SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL FOOTBALL CLUB ON WHAT IS SURF TO BE A FUN AND ENJOYABLE DAY OUT



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## **The Power of Daily Movement**

Hello again, everyone! It's Stefan here, your local mobile personal trainer. Over the past few months, we've talked about strength, balance, and mobility. This time, I want to highlight something even simpler but incredibly powerful - **daily movement.** 

#### Why Movement Matters Every Day

When people think about exercise, they often imagine gym workouts, long runs, or intense training. But the truth is, one of the most effective ways to stay healthy and energised is simply to **move more throughout the day**.

Our bodies were designed to move, not sit still all day. Long periods of inactivity can slow down your metabolism, affect your posture, and even increase the risk of heart disease and diabetes. But you don't need to run marathons to stay healthy. Just incorporating more movement into your daily routine can have a huge impact.

Here's how daily movement helps:

- 1. **Boosts circulation** Moving helps deliver oxygen and nutrients throughout the body.
- 2. **Improves mood** Even short walks can lift your spirits and reduce stress.
- 3. **Supports joint health** Regular movement keeps joints lubricated and reduces stiffness.
- 4. **Increases energy** Oddly enough, the more you move, the more energy you'll have!

It's not about doing one big workout, but **sprinkling little bits of activity throughout your day** - walking, stretching, gardening, even cleaning counts.

#### **Exercise Tip of the Month: Standing Marches**

This low-impact exercise is perfect for getting your heart rate up, improving coordination, and keeping your hips mobile.

- 1. **Start Position:** Stand tall with your feet hip-width apart. You can hold onto a chair or wall for support if needed.
- 2. Lift One Knee: Raise one knee to hip level, like you're marching.



3. Alternate: Lower it down and repeat on the other side, alternating legs.

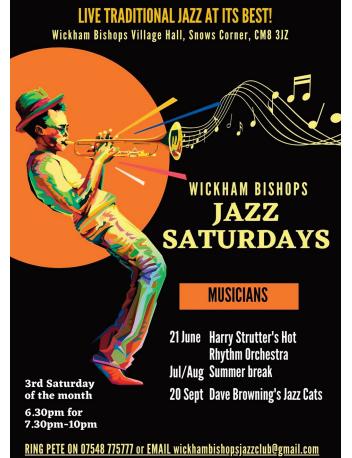
4. **Repetitions**: Continue for 30–60 seconds at a pace that suits you. Do 2–3 rounds throughout the day. Try this during TV ad breaks, in the kitchen while waiting for the kettle to boil, or just to break up long sitting periods! Every bit of movement counts. It all adds up to better health, more energy, and a happier you.

Don't forget, you're always welcome at our free community fitness class at Strutt Memorial Recreation Ground on Thursday evenings. No matter your age or fitness level, you'll be moving more and feeling better in no time. Use this link to book your session: https://bookwhen.com/mypersonaltrainer

Until next month-keep moving!

Stefan - MyPT 07456717115 <u>Instagram @stmypt</u> <u>FB: @STMyPersonalTrainer/</u>MY





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Events at the hall have had a great start, with our first four shows sold out and a great line-up in place for the rest of the year. Book early to avoid missing out (see the events diary or the back page for what's coming up). Tickets for music and theatre at the hall are available from <u>http://tinyurl.com/HPVH-Tickets</u>. For all events at the hall, go to the events page on our website at <u>www.hatpevvhall.org</u>

We've continued to improve things at the hall, with a new fire-proof electric shutter in the main hall kitchen and a new raised bed outside the Coffee Lounge to improve the outdoor seating area and help reduce dirt coming into the lounge when it's muddy. We're grateful to the Horticultural Society for 'adopting' the planter and look forward to seeing this in full bloom soon. We've also improved the broadband at the hall and now have a full-fibre service from Gigaclear. We've made this change transparent in that we've not changed the WiFi ID nor password, but if you use the hall WiFi, you should experience a much faster internet service. We've also now got a dedicated Hall Coordinator to help ensure our hall users and hirers get the best service and bookings run smoothly. Alison will be at the hall most weekday afternoons if you'd like to chat or comment about the hall and the facilities.



In the past few months we've welcomed some new groups to the hall. Moo Music, Tappy Toes Dance, Bread-making with Giovanni and Nickelstick are available to join in now – just go to our clubs page for all the clubs and activities at the hall and sign-up for what you fancy!

If you'd like to get involved helping run the hall, want to start a new club at the hall or help at our events, please get in touch – we'd love to have more volunteers from the community to help continue to make the hall a great community hub.

All details on our website (<u>www.HatPevVHall.org</u>), on the village hall noticeboards and on Facebook at <u>www.facebook.com/hatfieldpeverelvillagehall</u> or call the Box office & room bookings number on **0300 102 0473**. Or scan the QR codes.



If you want to get notified about future events and ticket sales by email, join our mailing list by scanning the QR code above – you'll receive just 1 email at the end of each month with details of the coming events – and you can unsubscribe at any time.

#### Winner!

Our competition winner selected at random from the mailing list is lan Jordan – who gets 2 free tickets to a hall event of his choice. Congratulations to lan and whoever he chooses to bring along. We'll run another competition soon – just sign up for the email to stand a chance of winning.

by Paul Goddard

<b>}</b>	HPVH Events Diary 💉
June 28th	Maximum Who
July 5th	Party in the Park
July 19th	Shoasis
Sep 6th	Jack-Austin Despy Blues Band
Sep 7th	Hamlet (Pantaloons)
Sep 27th	Brentwood Mac
Oct 4th	Autumn Show (Horticultural Soc.)



# **VOLUNTEERS WANTED!**

## Join the EMC Club Team

(Every Members Club - Hatfield Peverel)



Where? The Coffee Lounge, Hatfield Peverel Village Hall

When? Wednesdays 1-3pm

## Do you have a couple of hours to spare each week?

Do you enjoy a friendly chat, a cup of tea, and bringing people together?

We're looking for outgoing, kind-hearted volunteers to help run the EMC Club – a weekly social group mainly for older members of our community (though all are welcome!).

It's a warm, relaxed get-together with lunch, quizzes, bingo and great conversation. The club was started to help combat loneliness and create a friendly space for connection and support.

### We're looking for volunteers who are:

- ✓ Outgoing and friendly
- Comfortable chatting with older people
- ✓ Happy to help out with light organising
- ✓ Reliable and community-minded

Even better if we can get a small team involved – the more the merrier, and the lighter the load!

### Interested?

Come along one Wednesday to see what we're all about, or contact Mark Weale for a chat on 07801 443733/email <u>cllrweale@hatfieldpeverelpc.com</u>



Let's keep this special group going strong - together!

### HATFIELD PEVEREL & ULTING HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The annual plant sale was a very successful and well attended event in our societies' calendar. Please do come along to our next event on the 2nd July at the Village Hall. The 2025 full schedule of events is shown below. These are open to both members and nonmembers, and we look forwards to seeing you.

#### **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR 2025**

3rd July – 'The Secret Life of a Wood' with Roger Hance
25th September – 'Hanningfield Nature Reserve' with
Bill Godsafe
4th October – Society Autumn Show
27th November – AGM Christmas Speaker Evening

All events take place at The Village Hall unless otherwise indicated. Visit<u>https://e-voice.org.uk/hatpevgardens/</u> for more information

#### TIPS FOR YOUR GARDEN IN JUNE

**Prune:** Late spring or early summer plants such as wisteria, weigela and philadelphus.

**Plant:** It is not too late to plant seeds outdoors, plant our tender crops and annuals from your greenhouse. Plant hanging baskets and all bedding plants.

**Propagate:** Take cuttings from pink and carnations, euonymus, sedums and skimmia. Cuttings can also be taken from other shrubby perennials such as lavender and rosemary.





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## **COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER**

It was delightful to see so many residents at our annual community information event held on 18th May at the Village Hall.

Residents got the chance to meet local councillors, committee groups, clubs and societies and find out about our DofE scheme and other local initiatives within the community.

Our personal trainer, Stefan Tabacu was on hand for fitness advice and local Special Sergeant, Simon Jesse shared information about Essex Police and his work in the community. He was also joined by Active Citizen, Cathy representing the Essex County Fire & Rescue Service.





The Peverel Wine Club raffled off some wine and the Hatfield Peverel Allotment Association were offering free plants. Plus, residents were able to chat with councillors on local matters and find out more about upcoming council events and plans.

If you weren't able to join us, we hope to see you next time. And remember, you are more than welcome to attend monthly council meetings to find out what's going on in the community. Meetings are usually held on the first Monday of each month with some exceptions. Check the website for details https://www.hatfieldpeverelpc.com/parish-councilmeetings/



## WINE TRIBES REVEALED, BUT NO TRIBAL WARFARE!

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At our May meeting, we tried something a little bit different. There's an interesting theory about which category or wine tribe your wine-buying and drinking habits, even your choice of holiday destinations, will place you into. We were all keen to see whether there was any truth in the theory, and a good turnout of curious participants started the evening's research by looking at their tasting sheets and picking the wine they thought they would be most interested in tasting. Volunteers David Wickenden, Jill Shakespear and Pat Hercules each talked us through one white and one red wine, without revealing any clues about which wine related to which tribe.

Once all had been tasted, everyone was asked to choose which wine they had preferred. Surprisingly, only half the participants chose the same wine they had pre-selected before tasting, showing that perhaps half the attendees were prepared to explore the unknown! We then settled down to complete a survey covering everything from which wine we would choose in a restaurant to our ideal holiday destination, then counting the number of replies in each category which would hopefully identify each person's wine tribe. Master of ceremonies for the evening, Henryk Podlesny, then revealed the 4 main wine tribes people would belong to: Sociable, Balanced, Explorer or Bold. The majority of members fell into either the Balanced or Explorer tribe categories, but a few split between tribes.

Stephen Roberts then appeared as our distinguished guest speaker and internationally-famous pseudoscientist to analyse and explain the characteristics of each tribe, and how those demonstrating interbreeding between tribes (a natural result



of over-indulgence at tribal gatherings) were likely to be the natural leaders of the tribal nation, being able to see and deal impartially with all tribal points of view - it might be interesting to see the results if some of our national and global political leaders took the survey!

All were given the opportunity to read through the characteristics of the tribe to which they had been ascribed, and over half the attendees thought that their tribal description was accurate for them. Obviously, further research (involving the consumption of many more wines) would be needed before the accuracy of our oenological and anthropological research could be proved and conclusive findings published, but it was felt that a very good start had been made in investigating the theory! The overall favourite wine for the evening was voted to be the powerful **Masso Antico Primitivo di Salento IGT from Puglia**, retailing at **£9.50 from Asda** (the wine appropriately selected for the Bold tribe). The evening ended happily with the usual tribal rituals of raffle and clearing-up, and we are happy to note that no tribal warfare resulted from the evening's discoveries!

We shall be away from the village hall for our June meeting, visiting the gardens of one of Essex's best-kept secrets, Blunts Hall in Witham, but shall be making a return to our usual haunts in July, when all will be transformed to an ozone-packed and bracing Peverel-on-Sea, with appropriate food, drink and entertainments. If you'd like to join us then - or indeed for any other meeting 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 in the village hall, but with some exceptions). Our website www.peverelwineclub.co.uk is currently being reviewed, but I can happily send a copy of the exciting new 2025 programme if you email me at peverelwineclub@hotmail.co.uk.

by Vee Green, Secretary



