

GREAT CANFIELD NEWSLETTER



2019

CHURCH SERVICES MARCH TO MAY 2019

Services in St Mary the Virgin, Great Canfield

Date	Day	Time and Service Format	Officiant
3 rd March	Sunday before Lent	11.00am BCP Holy Communion	Rev Jenny Tomlinson
17 th March	Lent 2	11.00am BCP Morning Prayer	Gerald Crowley
31 st March	Mothering Sunday	11.00am All Age Celebration	Local Team
7 th April	Lent 5	11.00am BCP Holy Communion	Rev Jenny Tomlinson
21 st April	Easter Sunday	9.30am Easter Holy Communion	Rev Lea Williams
5 th May	Easter 3	11.00am Baptism	Rev Janet Nichols
19 th May	Easter 5	11.00am tbc	tbc

Special Days - Joint Services

Date	Day	Time and Service Format	Church Location	Officiant
6 th March	Ash Wednesday	8.00pm Holy Communion	Leaden Roding	Rev Jenny Tomlinson
18 th April	Maundy Thursday	10.00am Holy Communion	Margaret Roding	tbc
18 th April	Maundy Thursday	8.00pm Holy Communion	White Roding	Rev Jenny Tomlinson
19 th April	Good Friday	10.00am Family Reflection	Aythorpe Roding	Rev Jenny Tomlinson
19 th April	Good Friday	2.00pm Hour at the Cross	Beauchamp Roding	Rev Cilla Hawkes
30 th May	Ascension Day	8.00pm Holy Communion	High Easter	tbc

Please note a number of services take place across the group of 10 churches every week at both 9.30am and 11.00am with a 6.30pm evening service on the 4th Sunday of the month. You are welcome to attend any of the services that suit. All details of service times are displayed on the church notice boards and on the church website, www.thesixparishes.org.uk/



ST MARY THE VIRGIN GREAT CANFIELD



Interregnum update

Last update reported that the ad. had been revised to more positively reflect the assistance to be available from the Diocese as well as the Ten Parishes. Hopes were high for a good response, however we were unsuccessful with the switch to other advertising media.

As a result we have reverted to our original engagement with the Church Times. We have further emphasised the actual support which the Diocese itself will provide, and the Profile now includes a piece from our Rural Dean, Cilla Hawkes. We remain patient and trust in the Lord to ensure the right candidate comes forward.

By the time you read this the Revd. Robert Stone, will have completed his time with us and returned to his Parish in Bocking. Whilst with us he also took part in Churchwardens meetings where his contribution was welcomed. His perception and ability to see beyond the surface was very impressive. We wish him well in his future ministry. I guided him towards the ad. section of the Church Times should he desire some light reading.

Church Fabric and Churchyard

Unlike last time there have been no dramas to report over the last three months. Following the problem of the roof timber last year we are going to carry out a full structural Survey of the roof. The drainage channel around the church needs attention and the footpath needs relaying. Myriad other bits and pieces will need sorting. Currently minor, these things will eventually become more urgent. Any of you living in older properties will know what I mean. Trouble is, I doubt if any of them are **850 years** old.

Services

The wedding on 8th December went off without a hitch, well, just the one of course. As it was winter and a bit muddy the pathway to the church was carpeted! (See reference above).

The toys collected at the carols and Toy service on 16th December were delivered to Uttlesford Homestart as usual except the soft toys which they could not take. These went to the Salvation Army.

The Carols on a Cart on 20th December was enjoyed by all and the funds raised will help to assuage the significant costs of dealing with the repairs referred to in the previous item.

The coming services schedule is elsewhere in this Newsletter. With the benefit of Allison's magic wand we are still maintaining two services per month. I believe that this is crucial to continue the accessibility of our congregation, present and future. We generally have Communion on the first Sunday in the month and Morning Prayer on the third Sunday.

Diary Dates

March 17th Annual Parochial Church Meeting

April 21st Easter Sunday.

March 31st Mothering Sunday.

May 5th Baptism – Lara and Jack Mildwater.

Why bother with the Church?

This is the hardest part of the exercise for me and this is the hardest piece I have written. Those who know me are aware how reticent I am. Stop laughing! Whilst I appear to be somewhat outgoing, I lack self-confidence and can be, all too often, over-sensitive and react badly to what I imagine is criticism. I am still awkward about expanding on my faith, even to friends. Not your ideal credentials for an emissary of God. Perhaps that is exactly why God has put me here. Square pegs can sometimes re-shape round holes. So far the hole still appears to be round. So what's going on, Lord? No TV inspiration this time. Just me and God.

I am sure there are many of you that are Christian, you wouldn't bother reading this if not, but don't come to church. So I ask you where are we failing you? What can we change? What can we do to help? St. Mary's is a building. A meeting place. A place to find God and share with others. The church is made up of people. Without **You** St Mary's is **Just** a building.

"Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ".

[Romans 10:17]

David Turner, Churchwarden, 01279-870620 hartview2@ gmail.com

GT CANFIELD HAPPY CIRCLE – WHO WE ARE

Our first coach outing this year is on Wednesday 20th March to Oxford.

We will leave from Takeley Silver Jubilee Hall at 9am giving us a full day to enjoy the city sights and all it has to offer.

Everyone is welcome to join us if seats are available.

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NEWS FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council met in December, January and February, full minutes and other information received by the Parish Council can be found at www.greatcanfield.org.uk.



GREAT CANFIELD VILLAGE LITTER PICK

Saturday 23rd March at 10.00am

The village is joining in the Great British Spring Clean 2019, a national event throughout March organised by Keep Britain Tidy.

If you can spare an hour to help clear the village of litter please meet outside the village hall.

Jackets, pickers and rubbish bags provided and bacon sandwiches!

Great Canfield Parish Council is a member of the Keep Britain Tidy Campaign.

Planning Update

Planning continues to dominate Parish Council meetings.

The site being promoted by **Gladman Developments** continues through the Planning Appeal process. At the end of January, the Joint Rule 6 parties (Great Canfield Parish Council and Takeley Parish Council) submitted their Statement of Case to the Planning Inspector and they continue to work on confirming expert witnesses and preparing the Proof of Evidence which is required to be submitted by 24th April. A decision is currently pending on a change in the dates for the second week of the inquiry, it is likely the appeal will be 21-24 May and 4-5 June and the venue is The Stanstead Centre, Parsonage Road, Takeley, Bishops Stortford, CM22 6PU. Members of the public may attend the inquiry and, at the Inspector's discretion, express their views. Further details will be circulated as the inquiry approaches. Current estimates are in the region of £25k for the inquiry, with the Parish Councils completing as much of the work as possible in order to manage these costs. Takeley Parish Council (Joint Rule 6 party) and Hatfield Broad Oak Parish Council have both contributed to the cost with the balance being covered by Great Canfield Parish Council; this will be a combination of an increase in precept, see below and from reserves.

A further site has been submitted for outline planning permission by **Temple Group** for 80 new homes with all matters reserved except for access. This site is on the opposite side of Canfield Road from the Gladman site and north of Canfield Drive. Access is via Canfield Road and similar issues with pedestrian access to that for the Gladman site apply, there are a number of options for pedestrian access proposed by the developer in the application. The Parish Council has asked that Uttlesford delays any decision until after the Gladman appeal, a response is pending. If you have views about the suitability of this site for housing please consider responding to the application, reference UTT/18/3538/OP.

A full planning application has been submitted including access and design for 37 new homes on **land between the Flich Way and Dunmow Road**, directly to the north of the Gladman site. The plans for this site show a new access from Dunmow Road. This site is in Takeley parish although has significance for Great Canfield and like the other two sites referred to above is not in the draft Uttlesford Local Plan. Again if you have views about the suitability of this site for housing please consider responding to the application, reference UTT/19/0051/FUL.

The decision of the Planning Inspector following a written response appeal following Uttlesfords decision to refuse permission for 5 new homes on land to the south of Canfield Park Cottage is pending a decision.



DISTRICT AND PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2019 Thursday 2 May 2019

The four-yearly elections for Uttlesford District Council and Town and Parish Councils in the District will be held on **Thursday 2 May 2019**. If they wish to serve for a further term of office, all district and parish councillors currently in office must stand for re-election.

If you are interested in standing as a Parish Councillor please contact the Clerk for further information and a nomination pack.

Key dates in the District and Parish Council election timetable are:

Friday 22 March 2019 - Publication of the notices of election. Nominations for Parish Councillors may be submitted from this date (but not before).

Wednesday 3 April 2019, 4.00 p.m. - Close of nominations. No nominations may be accepted after this date.

Not later than 4pm on **Thursday 4 April** - Publication of statement of persons nominated.

Thursday 2nd May – District and Parish (if necessary) Council elections.

Please note there are 7 Parish Council seats on Great Canfield Parish Council. Should there be more than 7 nominations an election will be required and this will take place alongside the District Council elections on 2nd May. Should there be 7 or less nominations these persons will be confirmed as Councillors assuming their applications are validated.

Other News

The Parish Council has agreed to set a precept of £7,500 for last year £5,110. At +46% this is a significant increase on the year although amounts to only £11 on the average band D Council. The Parish Council feel strongly that this increase is necessary to costs of opposing the Gladman site and other large application sites are anticipated or ongoing in Great Canfield parish and neighbouring parishes. It is anticipated that providing the Gladman and other appeals progress as suggested, a similar increase will be necessary in 2020/21.



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For residents along part of Green Street and Bullocks Lane where the Parish Council own the land In front of the properties it is necessary for residents to have easements in place to grant access over the land. The Parish Council has a standard document relating to these agreements and asks any residents where this is applicable to please check your deeds and if necessary get in touch to ensure the correct paperwork is in place ahead of any plans to transfer ownership of a property. If this is required to be done as part of a property sale it could delay the process. More information available from the Clerk.

News from Uttlesford District Council

The Uttlesford District Council Local Plan was submitted for examination on 18 January 2019 and the Secretary of State has appointed Inspectors Louise Crosby MA MRTPI and Elaine Worthington BA (Hons) MT MUED MRTPI to carry out an independent examination of the Local Plan. The Inspectors' task is to consider whether the plan has been prepared in accordance with the relevant legal requirements and whether the plan is sound, based on the criteria set out in paragraph 182 of the National Planning Policy Framework 2012 (the Framework).

Next quarters parish Council meetings are as follows. All meetings take place at 8pm in Great Canfield Village Hall and residents are very welcome to attend.

Monday 11th March 2019
Monday 8th April 2019
Monday 13th May 2019 (Annual General Meeting)

CHARITY EVENT

Raising monies for Ukraine - www.uk-aid.org
UK aid (Felsted Aid) is an Essex-based charity whose aim is to help sick and under privileged children, particularly children and families still suffering from 1986 Chernobyl disaster

Saturday 6th April 2019
£15.00 a ticket - 3 Course Meal
Starts at 7.30pm
Great Canfield Village Hall

Please contact Jonathan Clarke on 07856 686812
for further information



THE RODINGS U3A (and surrounding area)

Peter Turrall, a former long-serving employee of Marconi, gave an excellent talk at the February monthly meeting. Peter's presentation was in two parts. The first described how Guglielmo Marconi, born in Bologna in 1874, became one of the most famous and prolific inventors and electrical engineers in the world. The second part of the talk concerned examples of some of the many pieces of equipment he devised. When his ideas did not elicit much interest in Italy Marconi came to London where he worked with the chief engineer of the General Post Office, and later chose Chelmsford to start his first manufacturing base. Marconi's basic idea was wire-less communication between long distances, which involved high towers from which the sounds were transmitted and receivers, kites in the early days, which allowed the signals, morse code originally, to be captured. This basic thesis was developed to embrace every communication system we know today. His inventions led to broadcasting including the original development of television, the telephone system and communication between members of all the armed forces. It was due to the radio system on board the Titanic being used to call for assistance that more lives were not lost. Over one hundred members heard a fascinating talk about a remarkable man.

Our Outings Co-ordinator is still keeping busy. Future trips include Kew Gardens, Living Crafts at Hatfield House and what used to be called Hampton Court Flower Show, and is now Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival. There is also another booking for the theatre at the Mill in Sonning, where the play is preceded by lunch or dinner, depending on the time of day.

Although there has been less news from the RU3A lately due to the Christmas break and no monthly meeting having been held in January, most of the interest groups have carried on with their programmes. Many of the groups are full but there are spaces in Aviation, Badminton, Bridge, Church Visiting, Croquet, Garden Visits, Nine-hole Golf, Sharing Sunday and Walking. If you are considering joining us do find out more from the website:

u3asites.org.uk/the-rodings-area or email ru3ainfo@yahoo.co.uk. You can also telephone Louise Searl on 01277 362043.

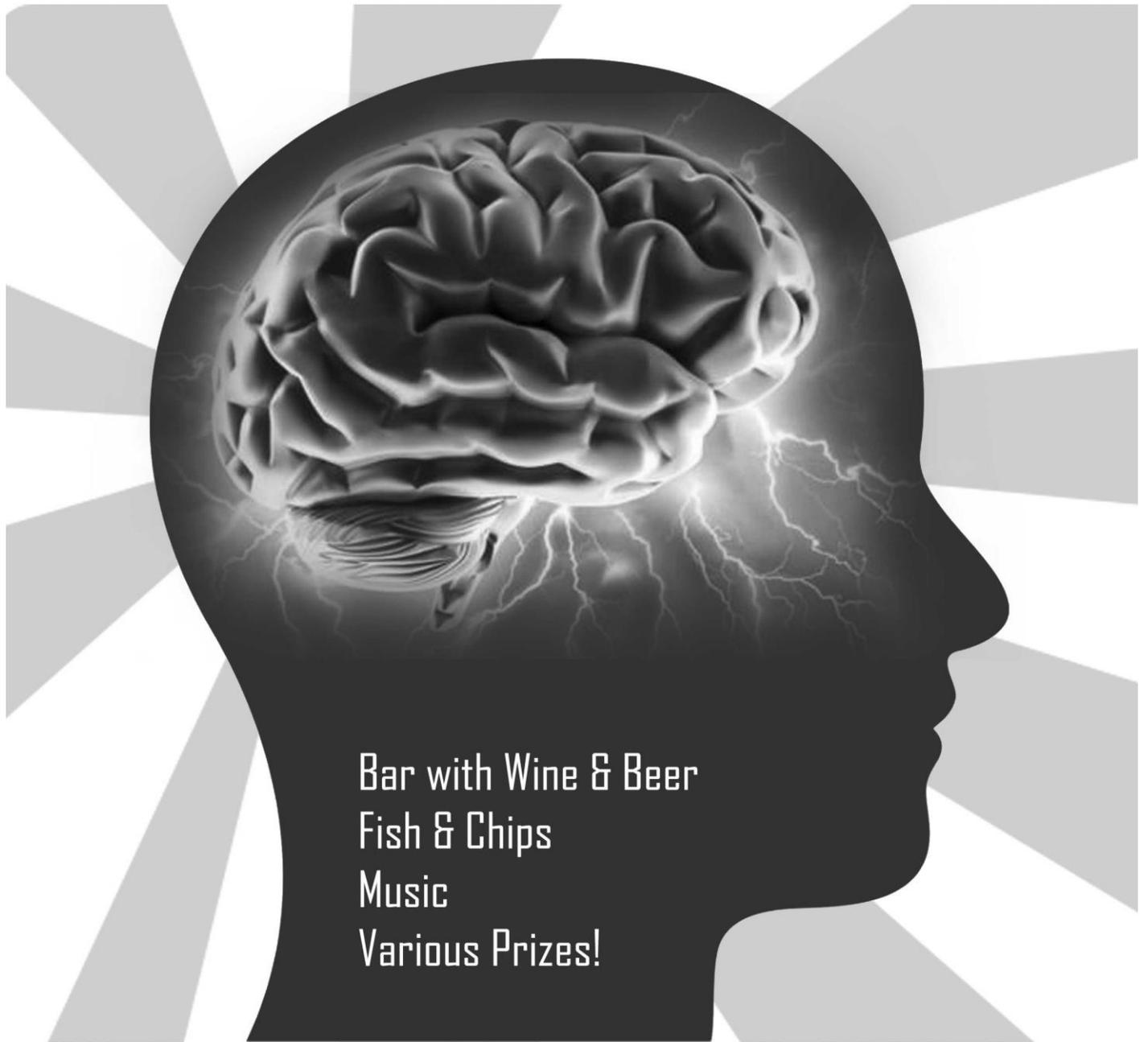


In 2018 Great Canfield raised £828.32 for the British Legion's Poppy Appeal, a magnificent result and an all time record. Very many thanks to everyone for their generosity, and to fellow volunteer collectors Barbara, Chris, Henry and Liz for their unstinting time and dedication.

Simon Mainwaring

QUIZ NIGHT

8TH MARCH



Bar with Wine & Beer
Fish & Chips
Music
Various Prizes!

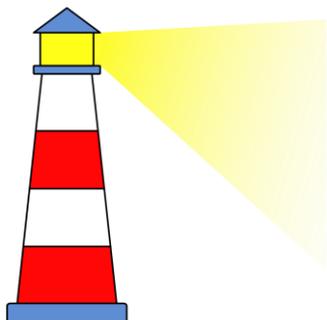
GREAT CANFIELD VILLAGE HALL

Friday 8th March, 2019 Doors open at **7:00 PM** Tickets £12 per person
Tables of 8 or Ad Hoc - Email jason.asser@tts.eu.com or 07710 842808

HIGH RODING & GREAT CANFIELD W.I.

Shirley Perkins entertained us at our December Meeting, demonstrating amazing flower arrangements for Christmas, which were raffled, providing some lucky ladies with ready prepared decorations for their homes. Our Annual fund raisers, Christmas Fayre and Christmas Whist Drive were very successful and we greatly appreciate all who supported us.

The New Year started with members and friends enjoying an excellent lunch at the Black Lion, High Roding.



Capt. Karl Lumbers, a retired Master Mariner from Trinity House was the Speaker for our February meeting. Trinity House was formed over 500 years ago in 1514 with the idea of making sailing safer. The Trinity House building at Tower Hill in London has been there since Tudor times, but the main centres are now in Harwich and Swansea. They are responsible for over 600 Lighthouses, buoys, beacons etc. but today they are no longer manned but automated. The first Lighthouse was at Lowestoft in 1600. 1998 saw the end of Lighthouse Keepers and today a lot of the properties owned by Trinity House can be hired as interesting holiday lets.

Our next Meetings and events all to be held in the W.I. Hall, High Roding are: -

Tuesday 5th March 5 p.m. – 7 p.m

Wednesday 6th March 2 p.m

Wednesday 3rd April 2 p.m

Saturday 13th April 10.30 – 12.30 p.m

Wednesday 1st May 2 p.m

Shrove Tuesday – Fun with Pancakes!

Geraldine Beaurain will give an account of Mary's Meals

Anne Karabardec will inform on a 'Healthy Heart'

EASTER COFFEE MORNING

Annual Meeting with Sue MacEwen

Visitors are always very welcome and if you require further information please call Margaret on 01371 872206



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Not got time for lunch, then simply pop in from 10am, kick back, relax and enjoy some home baked cakes with freshly brewed Tea and Coffee always on tap. We have plenty of space so bring friends or escape into your own retreat for 20 minutes of "me time".

A sample from our menu to whet your appetite -

- Braised Steak & Onions, creamed potatoes and veg followed by sponge and real custard.
- Pork Chop & Apple slice, roast potatoes & Veg followed by our own luxurious Trifle.
- Shepherds Pie with peas and gravy, locally picked rhubarb for crumble and custard.

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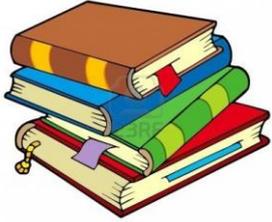
I have several joints for sale including Fore rib on the bone, Top Rump, Topside Corner Cut and a selection of braising and stewing cuts.

Also Steaks and Oxtail are available.

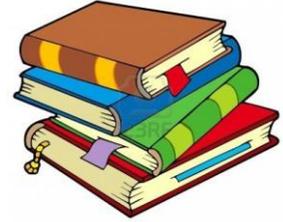
If you are interested in a locally Sourced Sunday Roast from traditional breed cattle please give me a call on 0785 668 6812 or e-mail Jonathan.clarke159@gmail.com

SUMMER NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the Summer Newsletter is 20th May 2019



GREAT CANFIELD BOOK GROUP



The **December** book was Vanity Fair by W M Thackeray.

This is a heavy 800 page mid-Victorian novel reminiscent of Dickens but with a cast almost empty of likeable characters. The story contrasts the parallel careers of Becky Sharp, the clever, unscrupulous, unfaithful daughter of a penniless artist and Amelia Sedley a pretty but boring, unintelligent girl whose father is a business man of Russell Square. Becky connives her way up through society cheating her friends and ruining Amelia's marriage. Her gambling husband Rawdon Crawley ends up penniless and her response is to become the mistress of the evil Lord Steyne. she dumps her husband and Steyne sends him as Governor to a diseased foreign deathtrap to die. On the way we are treated to an England at the turn of the 19th century on the brink of the battle of Waterloo which forms the centrepiece of the action.

Most of the Group managed to plough through the pages with enjoyment although all wished for some editing of the duller parts. The sheer weight of the book was also inconvenient for some. We were helped by the seven part television series which kept pretty closely to the plot but with a more physically attractive Becky - at odds with the many admired woodcuts in the text. Amazingly these were also by Thackeray who took his title of "Vanity Fair" from "Pilgrims Progress". It was where the pilgrim's companion Faithful was put to death.

Our **January** book was The Beautiful Dead by Belinda Bauer'

The story centres on a crime reporter, Eve Singer, who needs to get involved with murders in order to keep her job at a newspaper as she has an elderly father who has severe Alzheimer's and needs a carer which is expensive. Her boss is also sexist which puts extra pressure on her. It was thought there were quite a few gaps and flaws in the storyline but one could forgive these as the narrative was generally very descriptive and enjoyable.

The book finale occurs at the Post Office Tower where the murderer finally gets his come uppance. The members thought the book was quite humorous at times and was an easy book to read. The content was quite visual and it was thought that the book was possibly written with the idea that it could be turned into a film or TV drama series.

Our next book will be Norwegian Wood by Haruki Murakami'



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Sources of Crime Prevention Advice on the Internet

The Police are quite often asked “where can I find crime prevention advice myself” and “how can I ensure that a trader is reliable”?

For those of you wishing to source your own information and have access to the internet listed below are a few web links for crime prevention advice:

<https://www.essex.police.uk/advice/> - A wealth of advice on different subjects, and recently updated Home Security section.

<https://www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/> - You can report various incidents to the police online.

<https://www.police.uk/> - Crime maps of your local area, advice and more.

<https://thecrimepreventionwebsite.com/> - Very good nationwide independent webpage run by a retired “Met” Crime Prevention Officer. Monthly crime prevention articles are also published here under the “News” heading.

<https://www.independentage.org/information/housing-options/home-security> - One of many information sheets by this organisation.

<https://www.ageuk.org.uk/information-advice/care/home-safety/crime-prevention/>

There are also a number of organisations that provide security advice relating to that specific subject area such as <https://www.rhs.org.uk/advice> and in the search box typing in “Garden Security”.

And a reliable trader?

Where possible have a word with family and friends to choose a trader by personal recommendation. Avoid contracting a door to door trader, you just don’t know what you will get. Remember **YOUR DOORSTEP YOUR CHOICE**. Despite any sense of urgency from the trader or offer of a seemingly fabulous deal simply say “Leave me your details, I will speak to my family and get back to you if I want your services”.

<https://www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk/> or **0345 4040506** - Traders checked out by Trading Standards.

<http://www.securedbydesign.com/about-secured-by-design/> Third party tested security products, the organisation is run by Police Crime Prevention Initiatives Ltd.

<http://www.locksmiths.co.uk/> - Master Locksmith Association accredited locksmiths

<http://www.soldsecure.com/> Owned by the Master Locksmith Association a source of finding tested and approved locks etc. with the appropriate level of security for your requirements.

<https://www.nsi.org.uk/> National Security Inspectorate

<https://ssaib.org/> Security Systems and Alarms Inspectorate – Intruder alarm and CCTV accredited supplier and installers.

IF you note any suspicious activity call Essex Police on 101. Please do not feel that you will be wasting police time. The information you provide may prove useful in an investigation.

If you have any concerns about reporting to the police, you can contact the independent crime-fighting charity **Crimestoppers** who offer a secure 24/7 service for third party information about domestic abuse or any other crime. All information given to **Crimestoppers** is anonymous through the **0800 555 111** phone number or online anonymously at crimestoppers-uk.org and is passed to the police.

Crimestoppers is not an emergency service, so it is important to contact the police immediately using 999 if there is an emergency occurring.

Together We Are Stronger



A Very British Afternoon Tea

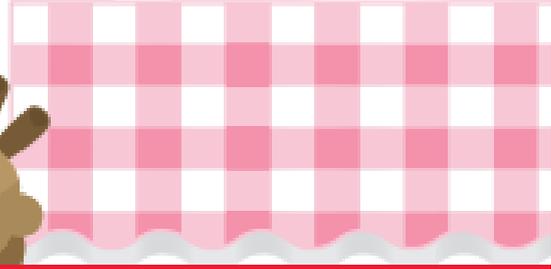
1-30 June



Tea, Coffee and Cake...

Just bake and donate!

Host your own Very British Afternoon Tea and raise funds for Essex & Herts Air Ambulance – helping to save lives one cake at a time.



To get your free fundraising pack call 0345 5040 055 or email afternoontea@ehaat.org



Charity Number: 1108989

WHY VOLUNTEER?

It's easy to feel disconnected from your community, as you juggle work, family and jobs around the house. One of the most satisfying, fun, and productive ways to get to know your neighbours is through volunteering for community service projects. Just a small amount of your time can make a big difference to an organisation or person that needs your help.

There are many different roles and types of volunteering. What suits you will depend on your age, experience, skills, interests and availability. There are fewer opportunities for young people under 16, so if you have young children why not volunteer as a family? If volunteering begins at an early age, it can become part of kids' lives — something they might just expect and want to do and could prove a fun activity for everyone.

There are so many reasons to volunteer....

Help others and make a positive contribution to the local community

Have fun

Meet people and make new friends

Develop existing skills

Learn new skills

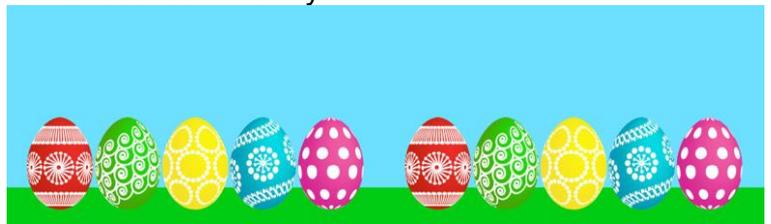
Put your spare time to good use

Support a cause you care about

Gain valuable experience to add to your CV and get up-to-date references

Build confidence and self-esteem

Improve your mental health and wellbeing



If you don't have much time to spare perhaps consider flexible, local activities such as offering to run a stall at a fete or fundraising event; helping to clear leaves or snow for elderly neighbours; joining in with a local litter pick or tidying a park, churchyard or community allotment. Or you could make a more regular commitment to visit someone who is housebound and help with shopping or gardening, offer your time to a nearby charity shop, foodbank, community transport scheme, school or day centre. If you love animals you could help train service dogs or provide short term foster care for animals before they are re-homed.

Volunteering is a fantastic way to develop new skills; you could learn to be a community first responder with the Ambulance Service; train as an adviser with Citizens Advice, work with children as a Scout or Guide Leader, join Essex Police as an Active Citizen or Special Constable, or develop the skills needed to support people who have recently been bereaved. These are just a few of the opportunities that are currently available - the possibilities are endless. Whatever you choose you can be sure you will make new friends, rise to new challenges and feel proud of your achievements.

For more information about volunteering opportunities in your local area, visit www.volunteersex.org or call Volunteer Uttlesford on 01799 510525. Uttlesford Citizens Advice will be starting a new training course for advisers in January - to find out more, please visit www.uttlesfordcab.org.uk or call 01799 618840.

Barnards Yard, CB11 4EB T: 01799 618840

W: uttlesfordcab.org.uk

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Saffron Walden 9.30 to 3.30 M.T.Th.F. (appointments available Weds)

Great Dunmow 9.30 to 3.30 T. Th.

Thaxted 2pm and 3pm Tuesday (Fortnightly, appointment only)

Stansted Mountfitchet 9.30 to 12.30 Thursday - appointments only

Uttlesford District Council Offices Tuesdays (fortnightly, drop in)



GREAT CANFIELD CARPET BOWLS CLUB



OK, so it is still Winter. It's SUPPOSED to be cold. We know British weather is unpredictable. What else could we whinge about if we knew what to expect? Wouldn't have it any other way. But this is ridiculous. Daytime in the mid-teens, nights freezing your socks off. Actually, I keep mine on. Drives 'Er Indoors mad. Not "cool" to keep your socks on in bed. Too right it's not!

Here I go again, rambling on about the weather. Typical British. Oops, sorry. I'm sure that breaches some kind of "ist"* regulation. The EU will have a Law controlling it. Never mind, soon be in the past after Brexit.....

AAAH! That word, please not that word. Never mind that will soon be over, then we can all get back to kidding ourselves we rule the waves, in a ship built in Korea out of Chinese steel and powered by Russian oil.

Anyway, I digress (no, never!). So what have GCCBC been up to? Our Christmas dinner, just before Christmas (seemed better that way) was a stunning success. Thanks must go to our Catering Department Pat Kelly and Janet Gray for their usual highly efficient organisation. In appreciation of my Cracker jokes during 2018, two of our club members presented me with some more jokes for the future. This was very kind (if ill-advised). I have calculated that at the current rate they should last at around 30 years! I am on a roll*.

Last year fell away a bit, friendly-wise. We finished up winning 5, drawing 3 and losing 7. Not bad, but not world-shattering. Our World Tour is now on hold. Phil Tuffnell can have his contract extension.

So far this year we have only played one friendly, away to Dunmow, who play in the United Reformed Church. Given that the stats showed only one victory in the last eight meetings with them, and that was at home in 2016, our prospects looked bleak. Well, against all odds, and despite my best efforts to sabotage our chances, we won! Yep, we haven't lost all year. (That's tempting fate if you like). We need to replace one of our mats, which is looking a bit Fred Bear, so if you know of one going begging give me a ring.

*If you don't understand these references, you can get clarification by coming along.

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