



Services for September

1st	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
2nd	10.00am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
3rd	11.00am	The Eucharist	Seven Rivers
4th	9.00am	The Eucharist & Rosary	St. Mary the Virgin
Sunday 5th	Trinity 13		
	8.00am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
	10.30am	The Parish Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer & Sermon	St. Mary the Virgin
6th	9.30am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
8th		Nativity of our Lady	
	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
10th	11.00am	The Eucharist	Seven Rivers
11th	9.00am	The Eucharist & Rosary	St. Mary the Virgin
	2.00pm	Wedding of Ian Clarke & Lucy Richardson	
Sunday 12th		Trinity 14	
	8.00am	The Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
	10.30am	The Parish Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
	6.30pm	Harvest Festival	Ardleigh Methodist Chapel
13th	9.30am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
15th	6.00pm	The Eucharist	Hamilton Lodge
16th	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
17th	11.00am	The Eucharist	Seven Rivers
18th	9.00am	The Eucharist & Rosary	St. Mary the Virgin
Sunday 19th		Trinity 15	
	8.00am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
	10.30am	The Parish Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer	St. Mary the Virgin
20th	9.30am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
23rd	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
24th	11.00am	The Eucharist	Seven Rivers
25th	9.00am	The Eucharist & Rosary	St. Mary the Virgin
	1.30pm	Wedding of Amy Noy & Derek Jackson	
Sunday 26th		Trinity 16	
	8.00am	The Eucharist	St. George the Martyr
	10.30am	The Parish Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
	6.30pm	Harvest Evensong	St. Mary's, Lt Bromley
27th	9.30am	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin
29th		SS Michael & All Angels	
	7.30pm	Patronal	Thorpe le Soken
30th	7.00pm	The Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin

LET THERE BE LIGHT!

We have just returned from a holiday in the Forest of Dean where we stayed at an attractive newly built local stone house which had been created from a small old derelict building situated right on the top of a hill on the edge of the Forest. The owners were rightly proud of its situation which overlooked glorious countryside rolling away from it. There was the added bonus of spectacular views across to the River Severn stretching almost from the old Severn Bridge to Chepstow up and towards Gloucester with Sharpness and Bristol beyond. Whilst little passed that way, the presence of buzzards made the smaller birds keep a low profile. At night owls and foxes could be heard and the blaze of light towards Bristol was spectacular. However had our intention been to observe the night sky we would have been better off staying in Great Bromley such was the light pollution.

Whether you see them as pretty or functional, the glittering lights that nightly light up everything around us are a terrible waste of energy. The low energy downward facing sodium lights illuminating our roads make driving safer and easier at night and the movement sensor operated security lights on houses and buildings, which turn themselves off when not needed, are sensible. However, there does appear to be an increasing number of high energy halogen flood lights which remain on for long periods for no apparent reason. Not only, when

badly placed, can they dazzle road users with their searchlight like beams but the collective waste of energy must be enormous and fossil fuels will not last for ever.

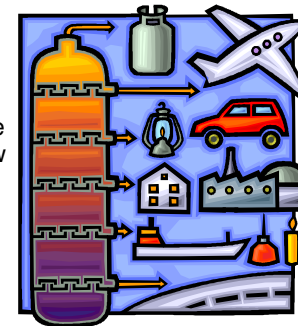
Although there is a quest for alternative energy public opinion on this is very divided. Coal, gas and oil become more expensive as their supplies diminish. Wood cannot be regenerated quickly enough to keep pace with our needs to be

viable. Nor are the alternatives the complete answer - nuclear power has been largely rejected because of the fears associated with it and wind farms, even very large, can only supply a fraction of the power required.

Modern life can no longer function on a daily basis without energy derived from gas, oil, electricity and

water - they fuel everything from motor vehicles to household appliances to phones, computers ... the list is endless. Modern society also makes ever increasing demands upon the supply of clean drinkable water. Despite the recent rainy weather maintaining such a supply as we presently enjoy into the foreseeable future is also not without its difficulties. However, perhaps with a little more use of night vision, more use of our legs, less constant washing and a little more thought, our descendants may be able to enjoy our planet as much as we do.

Leonie Henderson



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Dear Parishioner

“We plough the fields and scatter” many of us will be singing over the next few weeks, when very few of us are now actually involved in planting and harvesting. Yet we are an area that produces food for others whether it be Tesco or Marks, or fruit for Ribena. It still marks our lives, even if it’s simply being aware of the combines moving around the roads, and the occasional late night harvesting; maybe makes us a little more aware of where the food comes from, than if we were in a city.

The congregation just manages to keep afloat financially so if you feel able to respond to the Harvest Gift Day (18<sup>th</sup> September at Great Bromley & 25<sup>th</sup> September at Ardleigh), thank you very much. Your generosity will help secure the work of God here for future generations. Harvest Festival itself is Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, when all will be well and truly “gathered in” any foodstuffs you bring will be as usual taken to the local homes and hospice.

May our place as stewards of this world be made clearer to us, so we can receive, and be the vehicles of, blessings.

*Fr Nicolas*

Harvest festivals do still have a place in our community life, as we can celebrate the many ways that society feeds, clothes and cares for itself. Being thankful for our high standards of living, our security, and riches is an important part of living in this beautiful world. Christians are given to understand that they have been made stewards of creation, and will be held accountable for their actions towards the earth; its creatures and their brothers and sisters. An awesome responsibility, but one we try to live out generously to the best of our ability.

Part of the Stewardship expected from the worshipping Christians here is of the Church buildings and the work that flows from it. This year has seen our work with youngsters growing again, spending considerable amounts on the fabric of the Churches, supporting charities both locally and abroad, trying to provide sanctuary, support and encouragement to the many who come for baptisms, weddings and funerals, or simply a place to sit and be.

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**GARDENER'S CORNER FOR SEPTEMBER**

**LAWNS:** Now is the time to sow new lawns. If you have bare places, rake it over and sprinkle seed on top of the ground and cover with some potting soil.

**SHRUBS:** Take semi hard cuttings of evergreen conifers and holly

**ROSES:** Keep dead heading and tie in new shoots on climbers

**BULBS:** Plant in pots for indoor flowering, leave outside in a cool place but bring indoors when the weather gets cold.

Look out for the October issue of Gardener's Corner when I shall devote it all to growing SWEET PEAS.

*Frank Griffiths*



**NEWS FROM THE DOCTORS' SURGERY**

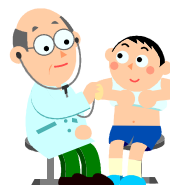
**GREAT BENTLEY  
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**THE HOLLIES, THE GREEN, GT BENTLEY**

**It's lovely to see the summer flowers** brightening up the village and I hope that everyone has noticed how attractive and colourful our garden is looking at present. Betty Harvey, our very own answer to Charlie Dimmock, has been hard at it all year. For a change, she's had - perhaps - enough rain to help make things grow properly.

Without Betty, we'd probably be completely surrounded by tarmac or concrete here. I don't know exactly how long she's been keeping the surgery beautiful - over twenty years, she reckons, but I'll bet there are many old "cottage garden" flowers and herbs that exist on our patch only due to her efforts.

Incidentally, she and Gordon also help us to keep the book stall in good order - all on a voluntary basis. The books are still generating money for various good causes. Who needs the library?



Our new Registrar, Dr Dewa, has started and is already settling in to our peculiar ways. I think he is finding it strange how differently we do things compared to his previous surgery. We all do

basically the same job and he even used the same computer system at Walton, but all surgeries do work differently. He's also having to learn his way around the area whilst coping with holiday traffic, so it's a good job he's got a sense of humour.

A bit of good news this month is that we have managed to arrange with Dr Carter, who finished her time as a Registrar here only a couple of weeks ago, that she will come and work here as locum for Dr Bhatti whilst she is on maternity leave. She'll be with us two days per week for about four months from the middle of November. It's an ideal arrangement for us as she knows us and our systems and will help to keep the pressure off the other doctors, particularly Dr Letton, through the winter months.

As ever, the summer holiday period is busy and a bit stressful here at the surgery. Most weeks we lose one and a half doctors and some of our support staff as everyone tries to get a bit of time away with the children. So if we sometimes seem a little slow in answering telephones or if there's a bit less choice of available appointments for a while, please be patient with us.

I think I'll head for the seaside now and make the best of the rain while it's still warm. Plenty of time next month to get back to autumn topics such as flu clinics etc.

*Hugh Cronin, Practice Manager*

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

### GREAT BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

#### Report of the Great Bromley Parish Council meeting held on 12 August 2004

##### Planning

*The Council considered and agreed no objections to the following planning applications:*

**10 Harwich Road** – detached double garage.

**'Baldwins', Frating Road** – replace former bungalow by two new detached houses and garages.

**Former post office, Brook Street** – change of use from commercial to residential.

**Old Police House, Chase Road** – conservatory plus changes to garage/store.

*The Council considered but objected to the following planning applications:*

**Land adjacent to Spread Eagle, Brook Street** – amendment to previous approval for two houses.

**Talisman Coaches, Harwich Road** – offices and toilet accommodation.

**Hall Farm, Hall Road** – motorcycle track. Industrial units, Parson's Hill – centre for servicing and repair of caravans, motor homes and ancillary vehicles, (amended application).

*Tendring District Council has approved the following planning applications:*

**Badley Hall, Badley Hall Road** – replace barns and cow stalls with garages.

**Two Hollies, Harwich Road** – extensions and alterations.

**2 Hill Cottages, Rectory Road** – extension.

**5 Colchester Road** – first floor addition and new conservatory

**Great Bromley Village Hall** – extension to cricket pavilion.

*The Planning Inspectorate has dismissed an appeal against Tendring District Council's refusal of permission for the building of a farm manager's house at 'Primrose Farm', Hall Road.*

##### Public Rights of Way

Rights of Way officers from the County's Highways Department discussed with the council and residents current and future arrangements for maintaining the parish's footpaths etc. The council will be considering ways in which access can be improved.

##### Affordable homes for Great Bromley

The Rural Housing Trust, in consultation with the council, has been trying to identify a suitable site in the village for 10 new affordable houses. The search to date has been unsuccessful and suggestions would be welcomed. The site must be adjacent to but outside an area of permitted development and near to amenities such as school, shop, church, pub etc.

##### Hare Green Recreation Ground

The recreation ground is a playing field for children and other people. As such dogs are not allowed and notices to this effect will be posted at the entrances. Residents' co-operation in this matter will be appreciated by the council.

##### Future meetings

The next meeting of the Council will be at 7.30 pm on Thursday 9 September 2004 at the Village Hall Great Bromley. KB 16/8/04

##### Parson's Hill Bridge

The Highways Authority inform us that the bridge over the A120 will be repaired during the period September 2004 - January 2005. During this time traffic lights will continue to operate on the bridge itself with a contraflow system on the A120 below.

**If you have an idea for a larger project please call me on 01255 256103. There are many types of funds available in rural Tendring and together we can change ideas into actions.**

#### **RURAL ACTIVITY GRANT SCHEME (RAGs)**

#### **YOUR GROUP COULD BE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING**

Up to 50% funding for community projects in rural Tendring, of £1,000  
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**01255 256103**  
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#### **NOW!**

*The amount of grant requested must not be more than 50% of the project costs, up to a maximum of £1000, and matched funded by another source, eg. own fund raising, Private sector, Parish Council or any other source of financial support. The total grant requested and the other sources of funding must equal the total costs of the project*

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#### **COMMUNITY HUB SMALL GRANTS FUND - apply now**

The Fund entered into its second year in April 2004, with a budget of £60,000 to distribute to groups and organisations across Essex (excluding Tendring) in grants of up to £1,000. In the first phase the Fund was successful in allocating £9,996 of a potential £10,000!

Applications are invited on an on-going basis, with a target decision period of six weeks. Any group or organisation in Essex may apply to the Fund, which can give grants for up to 50% of the cost of a project - and volunteer time can count towards your total costs.

If you would like to discuss a potential application, please contact Suzanne Roast, Community Development Manager, on 01245 352046, ext 106.

Applicants should be aware that the majority of the funding should be allocated by the end of 2004, as all money granted must be spent by the groups receiving grants, by 31 March 2005. Therefore, the sooner you apply, the better!

#### **Essex Rural Renaissance Fund Environment and Conservation HUB SMALL GRANTS FUND 2004/05**

A grant of up to £1000 is available to organisations or groups for environmental projects in rural areas in Essex. The types of projects that may be suitable include:

- Projects that promote environmental awareness and education
- Projects that improve sustainable access to the countryside and target disadvantaged groups
- Projects that increase natural resource use efficiency
- Projects that improve environmental information dissemination in rural areas
- Projects that build environmental skills amongst local people and support volunteering in local communities
- Projects that encourage biodiversity
- Projects that reduce waste and pollution in rural areas

All projects must be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005 and the applicant must raise a minimum of 50% match funding, which may include in kind contributions.

Essex County Council administers the Essex Environment and Conservation Hub Small Grants Fund on behalf of the Essex Economic Partnership (EEP) and the East of England Development Agency (EEDA).

*For further advice, full terms and conditions and an application form, please contact* Mark Wilson, Waste, Recycling & Environment, Essex County Council, County Hall, Chelmsford CM1 1QH tel: 01245437319 e-mail: [wilson@essexcc.aov.uk](mailto:wilson@essexcc.aov.uk)

#### **COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS**

This is a grant scheme with a difference, it is aimed at the individual. Funding is available up to £2,000, or there is a fast track programme for projects up to £250.

The main funder behind the project is the Department of Education and Skills, the principle of the grants is to develop the skills of an individual in a way that will either immediately or in the longer term benefit their community.

The individual applying must be a volunteer, priority will be given if the applicant/beneficiary is over 50, disabled, aged 16-25, from a disadvantaged or minority group, or from an isolated rural area.

Types of projects have included: a special needs parent support group, a social club for young people with learning and physical difficulties, a village internet and training facility.

Grants are awarded quarterly. To request an application form please contact Pam Hinds on 01223 893584 or e-mail: [pam.hinds@cover-east.org](mailto:pam.hinds@cover-east.org)

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For the time and venue please contact the Parish Clerk on 01206 391015.

## TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL in conjunction with LITTLE BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

**ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION  
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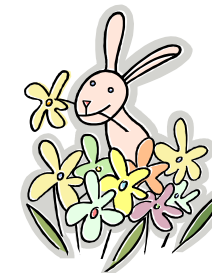
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## ARDLEIGH WEA

Details for the Autumn Term are now available. Tutor for the ten week course will be Terri Tarpin and her subject will be "Wild Flowers of Essex". The aim of the course is to give an appreciation of our local flora and to aid understanding of the plant communities in the different habitats throughout the county. These will include hedgerows, woodland areas and heathlands as well as the coastal areas and marshes and the urban and arable areas. Terri Tarpin has done many WEA courses including Week of Study ones. She started her working life as an accountant with Botany as a hobby. Gradually - yes, that's right - the hobby took over and she took a course in Botanical Surveys.

The course starts on Thursday, 23rd September and will take place in the Village Hall, Station Road, Ardleigh, commencing at 2.30pm. Sessions will finish at 4.15pm (this will have included a short tea break). No half term break but the session on Thursday, 7th October will take place at Highwoods Country Park. Please note there is Disabled Access at the Hall, and a Hearing Loop System is available for those who need it. If you decide after the first session that it is not what you want, don't worry, no charge. But after the first session fees as follows apply:- Full Fee - £29.50; Concessions (i.e. retired) - £24; Unemployed - No charge (on production of proof).

For further information contact the Secretary -  
Tel. No. - 01206 250263.





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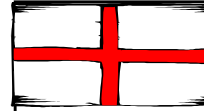
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## ESSEX RURAL RENAISSANCE FUND

The Essex Rural Renaissance Fund (ERRF) is a grant fund for Essex, launched in April 2003- Funding is provided through East of England Development Agency (EEDA) to support regeneration through addressing social, economic and environmental issues. The main fund has a total of £590,000 to distribute in the current financial year; however, approx £490,000 of this has already been allocated, leaving only £100,000 to assist new projects between now and April 2005. An assessment panel is due to meet in August to review the next round of applications to the fund. Although the budget is limited, groups and organisations in Essex should be aware of the potential opportunities of the Fund - there may still be time to apply this year, and there will certainly be further funding available in the year 2005-6. The Fund offers large grants (over £1,000) to groups and organisations and is administered by the Centre for Environment and Rural Affairs (CERA) at Writtle College, on behalf of the Essex Economic Partnership. If you are interested in applying for funding, please contact CERA on 01245 424200. You may also discuss your application informally with a member of staff at RCCE (for those who live in Tendring please contact Clare Evans on 01255 256103, for all other residents in Essex please contact Suzanne Roast on 01245 352046 ext 106).

## ESSEX RURAL TRANSPORT PARTNERSHIP FAST TRACK FUND

For rural communities it is often the case that a small investment to enable a community group to trial a new transport scheme, can make a huge impact on isolated individuals' opportunity to move around more freely. Do you have an idea for a transport scheme that will benefit your local community? Where can this money come from -well one potential source could be the Fast Track Fund, a small grant fund supported equally by the Countryside Agency and Essex County Council and administered by the Essex Rural Transport Partnership. The Fast Track Fund is a start up fund, the project developed must aim to tackle disadvantage and social exclusion. Priority projects would include those that directly aid or increase the number of individuals able to travel, improved vehicle safety, promotional and information costs, training, and consultations/surveys. Where appropriate the project must demonstrate an element of ongoing sustainability after the grant. Up to £1,500 can be awarded, over £1,000 25% match funding is required which must include a minimum of 10% cash. If you have any ideas for a project that would meet the criteria please contact Catherine Gaywood the Essex Rural Transport Partnership co-ordinator on 01245 352046.

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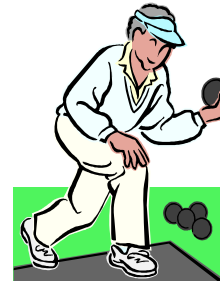
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## CARPET BOWLS

Another summer league programme is through already and Great Bromley emerged top but by 3 points only, with Walton runners-up and Lawford in third

place. The result of this is that we now have a match between all league winners throughout our region at Braintree in a few weeks' time.



The summer seems to have flown past and we are having several club practise/social evenings before embarking on our winter league programme which is in the lower half due to our relegation this year. We have enjoyed three friendly matches recently - away to Jaywick and a home return of that visit - and a very enjoyable home match against High Woods.

Nancy Kempster



## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We spent a very pleasant afternoon in Natalie Finch's lovely garden, close to the church, at East Bergholt for our August outing. On arrival, Natalie told us the story of how the garden had evolved over the years she had lived there. We were then invited to wander around and see for ourselves, discovering many interesting aspects and plants in the process.

Later, we had tea and cakes with a chance to purchase plants if we wished. I, for one, would very much like to visit the garden again, perhaps in the springtime.



This month, Mr Robert Gould is coming along to talk to us about homemade wines. Do join us if you would like to on Wednesday, 1st September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

June Willgress

## FRIENDSHIP CLUB

ADVANCE NOTICE: 22nd September is the date of our next outing, the only date when Kings Coaches had a coach available. It will be an all day outing to the POTTERY SHOP at Wattisfield, then on to Bury St Edmunds followed by a salad tea.

If you were unable to attend the August meeting when names will have been taken, and you wish to go on the outing, PLEASE phone Beryl on 230748 or me on 230191 when you will be given the starting time and the cost. We must have a minimum of 25 people. "Kings" need to know early in September if we have to cancel due to lack of support.

The competition for September is a china horse.

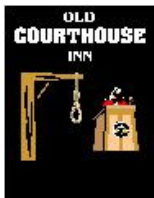
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## FROM THE PAST ...

### YOUNG MAN HAS HOME COMFORTS BUT ON CONDITIONS

John Reynoldes of Little Bromley by his will of 10th March 1601/02 left his son, Thomas, forty shillings and “desired his wife that he remain with her at diet, apparel, washing and lodging for twelve months after his father’s death if he will give his labour to his mother”.

Son John was also left twenty shillings. Wife, Elizabeth, had all her husband’s goods and two beasts and two horses, so that she may pay the legacies to the two sons and also two young daughters, Jane

and Elizabeth, who were to have forty shillings when they were 18. Elizabeth was also with child who was to have forty shillings at 18 but Elizabeth was to bring up the young children as well as being executrix.

An elder daughter, Elizabeth Hills, was left one brazen posnet. Witnesses to the will were Charles Cardinall from Great Bromley and Richard Goslyng.

*John Appleby*

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**Autumn Term starts: Thursday, 2nd September, 2004**



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**Return to Playgroup on Monday, 13th September, 2004**

### VITAL VILLAGES SCHEME CLOSES

Whilst other sources of funding exist for many types of community projects, the Vital Villages Scheme was the only one dedicated to funding Parish Plans and Community Transport.

It was closed earlier this year but it is hoped that the government’s Rural Services Review announcement, urgently awaited, will contain some good news about new sources of funding for these community-led projects.



## SCALLY WAGS

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# GREAT BROMLEY VILLAGE HALL CHARITY TRUSTEES

The Village Hall Management Committee last met on 13th July at the Hall. The next scheduled meeting is on Tuesday, 14th September at 7.30pm.

As we prepare this message we are still thinking of summer activities and lazy crazy holidays but by the time you read it we are lunging into the autumn term for a further range of events and meetings at the Hall. Our Bookings person, Mrs Lynda Allam, will be pleased to hear from you on 01206 230375 if you have thoughts of using our many facilities for an activity, be it a one-off or perhaps something that could run on a regular basis. We have differing size rooms i.e. the main hall, the Millennium Lounge, a committee room or the billiards room (small hall) which can be used separately or a combination of them with use of a kitchen. Hire rates vary depending upon size and type of activity but are very competitive if compared with similar facilities in the surrounding area.

We are very grateful to the Cricket Club personnel for keeping the cricket ground and village hall surrounds in smart and tidy condition. The improvements carried out to the car parking area by the committee over the past few years seem to have kept the surface firm and relatively free from standing water. The longer term thoughts of providing a tarmac type finish are beyond our current financial abilities.

Our Annual Return to the Charity Commission is due and will be made soon, something akin to making your income tax return to the Inland Revenue. Soon we must also apply to the District Council for the renewal of our Public Entertainment Licence involving the Council, Police and Fire Authorities.

Have you made a note in your diaries that our Christmas Fayre is on Saturday, 20th November in 2004?

*Bevan Willgress*

## KITCHEN CORNER

### HONEY APPLE SLICES

6 oz honey                      )  
6 oz butter                      ) melt these together  
6 oz caster sugar              )  
2 eggs                              ) beat in  
4 oz chopped apple            )  
8 oz SR flour                    ) stir in to mixture  
1 teasp baking powder       )

Bake in greased tin 7½" x 13½", sprinkle with sunflower seeds and cook 45 minutes at 160°C. Makes 16 slices.



**Honey is a healthy alternative** to sugar and can be used to sweeten fruit, or replace sugar in cake making. Try a sponge with 1 tbsp honey replacing 2 oz of the sugar in the recipe.

*Jill Frostick*

# Forthcoming Events

## SEPTEMBER

- 4 Country & Western Event, Seven Rivers Cheshire Home, 3.00pm  
Parish Barbecue, Church Meadow, 5.30pm
- 9 Little Bromley Parish Council meeting
- 11 Sponsored Churches Cycle Ride
- 14 Village Hall Trustees Committee meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 24 Church Harvest Barn dance  
Quiz, Seven Rivers Cheshire Home, 7.30pm
- 26 Harvest Evensong, St Mary's Church, Lt Bromley, 6.30pm

## OCTOBER

- 2 Organ recital, St Mary's Church, Ardleigh, 7.30pm
- 3 Harvest Lunch, Gt Bromley Village Hall, 1.00pm
- 5 Autumn Sale, Village Hall, 10.30am
- 9 Cricket Club Quiz Night, Village Hall

## NOVEMBER

- 11 Coffee Morning, Seven Rivers Cheshire Home, 10.30am
- 20 Christmas Fayre, Village Hall  
Royal Hospital School Band concert, Ardleigh Church, 7.30pm
- 26 St George's School P.T.A. Christmas Fayre

## RECYCLING IN THE BROMLEYS

Area: **Most of Great Bromley**  
Wednesdays 8th, 22nd September

Area: **Briar, Ardleigh, Carrington & Colchester Roads & Lilleys Lane**  
Mondays 13th, 27th September

Area: **Little Bromley**  
Mondays 13th, 27th September

## COUNTRYSIDE DAY

Saturday 2nd October  
from 2.00pm  
Great Bentley Village Hall  
Crafts to buy and try  
Learn about the  
countryside  
Meet live exhibits!  
Lots to see and do for  
all ages  
Wildlife goods on sale  
Refreshments Raffle etc.





## CRICKET CLUB QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 9th October  
in  
Great Bromley Village  
Hall

For more details contact Phil  
Allam tel. 01206 230375



## PARISH BARBECUE

in Church Meadow  
at  
5.30pm  
on  
4th September

For more details  
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## SEVEN RIVERS CHESHIRE HOME

### Autumn Sale

Great Bromley Village Hall  
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10.30am to 3.00pm

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greetings cards, handbags, jewellery,  
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Entry £2.00  
Refreshments including coffee, cakes,  
sandwiches will also be available.



### Country & Western event

4th September  
3.00 - 6.00pm

### Quiz

24th September  
7.30pm Thursday

### Seven Rivers Coffee Morning

11th November  
10.30am - 12 noon

For more details contact the  
Home on 01206 230345





## SPONSORED CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE

Saturday, 11th September



## HARVEST EVENSONG

at 6.30pm  
on 26th September  
St Mary's Little Bromley



### BRIGHTLINGSEA FARMERS' MARKET

30th September 9am - 1pm  
Brightlingsea Community Centre,  
Lower Park Road  
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