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KATISHA'S KOLUM

I, 4 wun, am mity releeved the tempracher haz dropt a fu degrees. The reecent rayn haz revived the brown and ded grass in the garden and Mistress haz even had to mow it!

I am - a yeer on - feeling maw settled and now spend a surten amount of time owtside tho I still don't like sudden noyzes. I like to sit on the fence ware I can keep an i on the naybors.

There r nither rabbits, mice nor burds to hunt and cach. Mistress duz not miss the mice but I hav been keeping in trim and practis shud eny turn up by sharpening my clors on the gate (Mistress not pleesed with this activity). I hav awlso been chasing leeves, powncing on balls left arownd bi the granchildren and attaking the tys of the sunshade cuver. I haven't tryd to catch the fish yet but if you remember I did fawl in to the swimming pool at the owd howse and I am not going in warter agen.

I hav a pichur of the dog I liv with. The gransun likes to dress her up. She looks very silli but she dusnt mind.

There is lots going on in the villages this munth and with Crismas only 3 munths away lots being planned.

Hotline competishun results from larst munth kan b fownd on paj 7. I wunder who wun the cap? Luky hooever.

This munth sum of u will be starting skool, going bak to skool, on to university and may be starting nu jobs. I wish u well in yaw nu beginnings. I never had a charnce to go to skool and lurn how to reed and rite properly. Mrs Fitzgerald yeers ago woz very rood abowt mi spelling. I do the best I kan, I am only a kat.

Katisha



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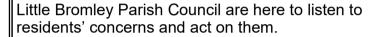
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Anita Spall (Vice Chairman)
Louise Joplin
Jon Buxton
lain Smith

Clerk: Dawn Sauka







The Council have so far:

Reduced the Precept by Half Abolished Councillor expenses Had the Village Gates installed

Had 2 Vehicle Activated Signs put up to reduce speeding Joined other Parishes in trying to prevent unlawful lorries using our roads

Had the white lining renewed throughout the Village

We are still working to get:

Superfast Broadband in the Village Reduction in the speed limit along Bentley Road to 30mph

Come along to the Parish Council meetings held at The Haywain every 2 months and have your say.

Email: littlebromleypc@gmail.com

LITTLE BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Email: littlebromleypc@gmail.com

The Council are pleased to say that the White Lines have been put back on the main road in Lt Bromley after the resurfacing. With regards to Highways, we are also pursuing the extension of the 30 mph along Bentley Road and have requested that this is an agenda item at the Highways meeting this month.

At the last Council meeting the idea of setting up a neighbourhood watch was mentioned. Unfortunately we didn't have enough interest to actually set up a group but it has been suggested that if anyone knows of any anti social behaviour/burglaries etc then if they email the Clerk we will circulate these in the monthly Messenger articles for information. The issue of fly tipping in the area was also discussed as it seems that this has substantially increased. If anyone sees any instances of fly tipping then please take the

number plate of the vehicles involved and email the Clerk so that it can be reported. Members of the Tendring Road Rally attended the last meeting and announced the date of the Rally for next year which is 28th April 2019. They announced that some of the routes will be extended. The Council mentioned that some of the drivers were seen speeding between the routes on the day and the organisers noted this.

The next meeting of the Council will take place earlier this month on the 13th September due to Holidays. Please note that this may delay the publication of the minutes by a few days.

Little Bromley Parish Council

KITCHEN CORNER

Raspberry Sorbet with Honey Cream Ripple

This recipe was in the WI magazine for July 2018 and I made it for a big family party. It was a huge success and really delicious! also easy to make.

Ingredients:

600g raspberries, plus extra for serving (optional)

200g caster sugar

4 tbsp lemon or lime juice

150ml honey 300ml cream

Line a 1.5litre terrine tin with a double layer of cling film and place in the freezer. Puree the raspberries, sugar, lemon or lime juice and 50ml honey in a blender or mixer. you can strain it to remove seeds or leave some in to make a better texture. Churn in a machine or freeze in a shallow tray and stir

every 30minutes with a fork till frozen. Once frozen, in a large chilled bowl whisk the cream with the remaining honey to form almost firm peaks. Add the sorbet to the same bowl and using just 5-6 movements fold the sorbet through the cream making sure the cream and sorbet do not become incorporated. Tip the mix into the prepared tin and seal with extra clingfilm. Freeze at least 8 hours.

To serve, remove clingfilm from the top, invert on to a platter and tip out. remove the cling film lining and slice thickly. Serve with fresh raspberries if liked.

Jill Frostick

IN THE GARDEN WITH KATE



I read a very interesting article the other day. It was concerning the diary of John Lott, brother of Willy, who owned the farm opposite Constable's Mill at

Flatford. It was his record of the summer of 1818 when he noted that there was no rain from 16th May until 5th September and it was exceptionally hot. Obviously the summer we have had is not unprecedented! He went on to note that the following winter was extremely mild, so we have been warned!

I am sure the more energetic of you have been out gardening despite the extreme temperatures, but as I write, the heavens have just opened, and the forecast is for much more normal temperatures and rainfall, so the weeds will be racing away! I have had very poor showings from many of my vegetables. The runner beans, despite regular water, have struggled and the chard promptly went to seed as soon as the temperatures rose; the artichoke keeled over and the lettuce really wasn't happy. However the chillies are amazing (and hot), the tomatoes are doing well, and the cucumbers, squashes and pumpkins are racing away. I also had an excellent crop of garlic, and I'm told the onions were good, though I didn't grow any.

The flowers all seem to be ahead of themselves this year, and I have just noticed my autumn cyclamen in full flower (in the middle of August), and the golden rod, which normally flowers in the autumn, has been out for some time.

The most important job at the moment is cutting away all dead foliage and flowers from plants that keeled over as a result of the prolonged drought. It is possible that as a result of the recent rain, they will put on a

fresh flush.

Autumn is the traditional time for harvesting the crops and storing for the winter. With this in mind it may be worth clearing out the freezer ready for the glut of fruit and vegetables. Although I am sure your two year old frozen fruit and veg are probably quite safe to eat, they probably do not taste nearly as good as they should! Bulbs can be planted now for a spring showing, though tulips should be left until November, and if I dare say the C word, prepared hyacinths can be planted for Christmas.

September is the month when the clearing up, chopping back, pruning and trimming can start. Hedges will be improved immeasurably by a trim, and shrubs that have grown too big can be pruned back into shape. It is worth staking where necessary and tying in climbers before the autumn gales.

I have had terrible trouble this year with brambles trying to take over the garden, being totally unaffected by the dry weather. The good side of it is that I have a plentiful supply of blackberries, which together with my windfall apples make absolutely delicious blackberry and apple crumble! Enjoy your garden.

Kate Strowbridge

GT BROMLEY DISTRICT CRICKET



100 Club Winners July

1st Mrs R Herring

2nd B Fuller

3rd Mr Jake Higgins

Little Dragons Pre-School - Great Bromley & Frating Church Meadow Bungalow, Hall Road, Great Bromley CO7 7TR

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We are flexible and happy to take children for the occasional session and times to suit your situation.

If you require further information please call us on the numbers above or pop in to see

30 Hours funding for eligible parents comes into effect from September 2017 -give us a call for more details.

Once again our 'Holiday Club' was very successful and busy; the children enjoyed lots of crafts, games and outdoor fun. We hope you have enjoyed the summer break and we look forward to seeing you in the new term. Preschool returns on Thursday 6th September.

We are open for breakfast and after school clubs on Wednesday 5th September.

FUNDRAISING

Family Quiz Night -

Saturday 22nd September at Gt. Bromley Cross Inn – 6.30pm

Please help us to collect:

Used Printer Ink Cartridges/ biscuit wrappers/ plastic bottle trigger heads and caps from washing up bottles.

OUR RECYCLING STATION now makes it easier to drop off items

We have set up an area – across the car park to the right of gate, with boxes for you to drop off collected items. Thank you.

We take children from the age of two years and offer a 'home visit' to families of children prior to them starting Pre-school. This gives the child the opportunity to meet their keyperson in their own home, aiding the transition stage to pre-school. It also enables

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For further information or to arrange a visit to the setting please contact us on the above number.

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Dates for diary:

Wednesday 5th September – Open for breakfast and after school clubs Thursday 6th September – Preschool reopens

Saturday 22nd September – Quiz Night

COFFEE BREAK NUTRITION with Suzanne Abbott

KNOW YOUR SALT - continued

I finished last month's article with this paragraph:

Babies shouldn't go without salt either; a little pinch of natural salt in their food will do wonders for their neurological development.' This of course goes for babies that have started on solid food. The food should taste just slightly salty.

Before a baby is born, it gets all the sodium and chloride from the mother, as long as she is consuming enough good quality salt. Sodium is an extremely important element in the development of the nervous system and chloride is responsible for those formations in the brain that give us the higher, creative thinking.

Milk of mammals stores salt naturally, because mammals need it. During breast feeding, human mothers should get plenty of salt because it makes all the difference in the production of high quality breast milk. Mothers who are unable to breastfeed needn't fret as all formula milks contain salt.¹

I know many of you who read my articles have children and small babies, so I'll continue along the 'baby theme'.

It's sad to say that we have all got so used to using disposable nappies, wet wipes and antiseptic products that it hasn't even occurred to us that any of these could be harming our children.

With the latest surge on plastics and the damage they are causing to the planet, there are millions of disposable nappies being thrown away each day worldwide. What happens to those? - not to mention the plastic nappy bags that go with them. There are those parents who can't be bothered to clean the solids down the toilet before disposing the nappy in the bin. This means the landfill sites are full of excrement, spreading disease. Then the wet wipes - very convenient indeed - but where do they end up? All bundled together with the rest of the waste. What's wrong with a bowl of water and a sponge to clean

the baby's bottom?

All of this is harming the whole environment and all of us in it.

In addition, we have created a sterile environment by using antibacterial wipes to clean everything under the sun in our homes. Antibacterial hand soaps, hand wipes, baby wipes, sterilising baby bottles and teats with chemicals, as well as being given antibiotics unnecessarily. We've created a recipe for future health problems for our children. Of course it is most important not to introduce dangerous germs to a new born baby, but to continue being too sterile, we are asking for trouble. It is very important for children to mix with other children, even if they have a cold or chicken pox. They need to be exposed to many everyday bugs that are in the environment. They should have contact with domestic pets too. This is what Mother Nature intended – to prime our immune system to combat disease. Sterilising everything isn't the answer. In fact we should let our kids play in the garden in the dirt. But most importantly give them lots of healthy vegetables and fruit, preferably home-grown, filtered water, grass-fed butter, some fermented probiotic foods that will build up their gut flora - like Kefir, sauerkraut or organic yoghurt. This way of life will protect them. And don't look for the latest antibacterial superbug-beating wipes or disinfectant. The body will provide a lot of protection without the use of chemicals.

Best of health!

Suzanne Naturopathic Nutritionist

References:

1. The Nourishing Traditions Book of Baby & Child Care (Weston A. Price Foundation) Sally Fallon Morell & Dr Thomas S. Cowa

BROMFEST

Despite tumultuous weather Bromfest was a great success! While the wind howled and the long awaited rain turned up, Little Bromley Church was packed with all sorts of folk musicians, dancers and appreciative participants. The AnnieMation Morris Team from Colchester brought a new dimension this year, kicking things off with some rousing dances accompanied by their talented music makers, and coaxing us all to join in as the day went on. Throughout the afternoon we were wowed and entertained by a huge variety of players and singers, both traditional and original. The church rang with enthusiastic applause. interrupted only by the lure of more tea and

cake and to tuck into the delicious lunches provided by our stalwart volunteers
Many thanks to all the talented people who contributed their skills and energy to create a wonderful afternoon of quality music.
Grateful thanks also to all those who so kindly prepared the church and surrounds, who cooked and served the refreshments, washed dishes and cleaned up and did all those other small but vital jobs needed to make such a dynamic event possible.
Without you it just couldn't happen!
See you all again next year!

Dorothy O'Grady



SEVEN RIVERS CHESHIRE HOME

Today as I write this piece for the

Messenger it is only July 25th, that is because I am going away for 2 week and don't want to miss the deadline. At this time the radio keeps informing us that we have had no rain for 50 days, so if it's been raining since then I'm very sorry. My holidays seem to attract the rain like butterflies to a flower. But this year I do have high hopes of having a sunny holiday. In fact I'm hoping it will rain for a day or two.

Unfortunately due to this very hot weather we have been unable to go out, this sounds wrong but with the high temperatures comes as many problems as when it extremely cold.

Our residents have been able to spend many happy hours over the last few week sitting by the lake watching the varied wildlife, the Canadian Geese have disappeared as have the ducks, but the dragonflies, heron and fish make up for all of that. I am hoping also that The Red Arrows will be doing a fly over on their way to the Clacton air show, I sure we all know if that one happened! And I've been finalising our Christmas entertainment!

We are hold a Quiz night on Friday 7 September with Gary as our quizmaster, teams of up to six are very welcome to come along and join in the fun. Light refreshment, doors open at 7.00pm quiz starts at 7.30pm. all very welcome.

Forward notices, We will be holding our firework night with fancy dress competition for children up to 11 years. The date has to be confirmed but we hope it will be on Friday 2 November, with gates opening at 6.00pm. Our Christmas market will be early as it's now booked for the Saturday 17 November doors open at 10.30am. If you would like a stall please contact me on 01206230345.

I know how you think everyone knows where you are but I was asked where Seven Rivers was. We have been in Great Bromley for sixty years now so I always find it strange when I am asked where is Seven Rivers. Our address is Leonard Cheshire, Seven Rivers, Hall Road. Great Bromley CO7 7TR, our phone number is 01206230345. Please contact me if you need more information about any event or wish to become a volunteer.

Sorry about no direction of this month's piece, just me and my thoughts.

Take care till next time Liz x

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GREAT BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Thank you to all those who took the time to provide their feedback on the Tendring Rally. Tendring District Council is running a task and finish group to review the Rally and has asked for this feedback. The aim of this review is to look at the various aspects of the event in April, to consider evidence, to take on board comments from relevant parties and to bring forward recommendations in relation to the running of future events. We shall forward the feedback (anonymously) to them and wait for the final report which is scheduled to be presented at the end of September 2018. The Village Maintenance team continues to do a fantastic job of keeping the village looking tidy and presentable - we are very grateful for all that they do.

Date for diaries - The required annual closure of Church Meadow will take place on Monday 22nd October 2018. No parking will be available on this date. It's not too long until Remembrance Sunday – Cllr Blowers has organised a litter pick on Saturday 10th November at 10.00am – all volunteers are welcome to help. I will be arranging the ordering of wreaths for local organisations in October. If you would like a wreath ordered, please contact me at clerk@gbpc.org.uk

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 12th September 2018 at 7.30pm, at the Village Hall – all are welcome.

Lizzie Ridout, Parish Clerk

| Planning Determinations | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| Application No. Decision Date of Decision Conditions/ Reasons | Applicant's Name | Proposal | | Location | | |
| 17/01782/OUT Refusal – Outline 20.07.2018 Delegated Decision | Mr John Cressey – E+M Design Partnership | Erection of 5 No. 1 bedroom detached lets with detached ble garages. | d cha- | Land rear of Fieldside Frating Road Great Bromley CO7 7JW | | |
| 18/00706/FUL Approval – Full 17.07.2018 Delegated Decision | Primrose Pork | Variation to condit of 17/01810/FUL - change opening h of retail shop to 8: to 6:00pm on Satu and 10:00am to 4 | - To ours 00am ırdays | Primrose Farm Hall Road Great Bromley CO7 7TP | | |
| Planning Applications | | | | | | |
| Reference | Proposal | | Locati | ~ | | |
| 18/01029/FUL Mr Hearsum | Cart lodge to the front of property. Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application. | | Wilma Cottage, Frating Road, Great Bromley CO7 7JJ | | | |
| 18/01042/FUL | Proposed two storey rear extension. | | Summer Breeze, Frating Road, Great Bromley CO7 7JW | | | |
| Mr Mills | Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application. | | | | | |

| Planning Applications | | | | |
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| Reference | Proposal | Location | | |
| 18/01123/FUL Mr & Mrs Brazier | Variation of Condition 3 of 17/01720/ FUL to allow changes to the fenestra- tion of the proposed dwelling, and to erect a single storey garden room. | Bush Farm, Hall Road, Great Bromley CO7 7TR | | |
| | Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application. | | | |

| Planning Appeal | | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|
| Application reference and name | Description of development | Site Address | Appeal reference and start date | | |
| 17/00545/OUT Mr M Volf - Stour Valley Construction and Groundworks | Community facility led development of shops, offices, restaurant and houses including parking, new footpath and open space. | Pond Farm Hall Road Great Bromley | APP/P1560/ W/18/3197441 18 July 2018 | | |

The planning appeal was noted and it was agreed to resubmit the original comments and add that since then the TDC 5-yr housing land supply has been confirmed. There is a site in the village that already has outline permission for affordable housing for village residents nearer the primary school. An outreach post office has already been established in the local community hub.

LETTERS

Motorsports on lanes around Great Bromley

Having spoken to a great many people in Great and Little Bromley it is exceedingly difficult to find anyone who supports having motorsports in the lanes around our villages.

The villages have active speed-watch campaigns, supported by local councillors, to encourage responsible speeds on our lanes, it is difficult to understand how any of our councillors can not oppose motorsports within our villages.

There have been comments that these activities bring economic benefit to the district. Can we please be told what these benefits are? There can be very few businesses in our villages which have benefitted from the activity and no employment would seem to have arisen for village people.

The people who have been inconvenienced by not being able to freely use the highway's around our villages, seem not to have a voice to oppose the continuance of these activities. One hopes that our councillors are speaking and voting on their behalf.

We will all have an opportunity in May to have our democratic say in this matter, when the next round of elections occur. I for one will want to know how our elected representatives have spoken and voted on these issues.

One does wonder why events like this are not run on the streets of Chelmsford and surrounding villages, if they are organised by motorsport enthusiasts from those districts.

Alan Thomas Great Bromley

DISTRICT COUNCILLOR NEWS

The issue of a reasonable broadband service remains as a priority in the Village of Great Bromley. Elmstead already has a good acceptable broadband service. The villages of Thorrington and Alresford are like Great Bromley poorly provided for.

I am due to have a meeting with Kevin Bentley, deputy leader of Essex County Council, portfolio holder for Highways and also responsible for Superfast Essex Broadband. I will be handing Kevin a letter pointing out the problems with lack of a reasonable broadband service for our villages.

A fibre cabinet has recently been installed in Great Bromley having had 3-4km of fibre laid in new ducting from Ardleigh. However because of its location the new cabinet can only supply a service to approximately 15% of properties in the area. Properties that have a full view of the cabinet cannot access it. Had the cabinet been located approximately 150 m or so nearer to Ardleigh then the whole area around the school could have benefitted.

Essex County Council have previously stated that County Broadband are their "approved" suppliers. The residents in Great Bromley are fully aware how County Broadband are unable to supply a good service, indeed in the majority of the village no service at all. Some of the properties that can receive a service from County Broadband are not impressed by both service and price. Obviously Superfast Essex are failing a large number of residents in Tendring.

Thorrington and Alresford are still awaiting the installation of a new cabinet and hopefully Kevin Bentley can update me on that issue.

The other issue that I will be discussing with Mr Bentley concerns the 100 plus diversion signs in connection with the new

roundabout. Visitors to the area and indeed local residents remain baffled by the diversion signs and the diversion routes.

Concerning the A120/Harwich Road roundabout it is slowly taking shape, the proposed closure of Harwich Road which was supposed to have taken place will not now take place, if at all, until later in the year. I am informed that although there does not seem to be signs of working on the roundabout a lot of drainage and ducting work is taking place.

Fred Nicholls

The Great Bromley Cross

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Events September

Every Friday Pub Food 6.30 to 8.30

Saturday 1st - Saturday Night Takeaway

Saturday 8th - Curry Night

Thursday 13th - Quiz Night

Saturday 22nd - Little Dragons Family Quiz

Food available @ 5.30 Quiz starts @ 6.30 Wednesday 26th - MacMillan's Day with Tombola, Cakes 10.00-12.00

Thursday 27th - Open Mic Night Friday 28th - Chris Daniels Presents "Filthy Lounge Band" 8.30

Pub Open Thursday 6:30 – 11:00

Friday 6:30 – 11:00 Saturday 6:30 – 11:00

Sunday 12:00 – 3:00 Wednesday 10 – noon

Cafe/PO/Library

info@greatbromleycross.co.uk

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2018-19 EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- WI, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 6-9 St Helena Hospice Coast to Coast Cycle Challenge 2018
- Gt Bromley PC, Village Hall, 7.30pm 12
- 13 Little Bromley PC, The Haywain, 7.30pm
- Air Ambulance Dog Walk & Show 14
- 20 Friendship Club, Village Hall, 2.00pm
 - Haloween Craft Fair, Lawford Venture Centre, 10.30am
- Little Dragons Family Quiz, The Cross Inn, 6.30pm 22
- 30 Wrabness Walk and Tea

OCTOBER

- 13 Big WI 70th Birthday Bash Morning, Village Hall, 10.00am
- 14 Air Ambulance Dog Walk
- 22 Church Meadow annual closure. No parking for this day.
- 25 WEA course, Village Hall, 2.30pm

NOVEMBER

10 Festive Favre Shopping Event, Village Hall Gt Bromley Autumn Litterpick

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Village Hall Events

September dates for your diary

Mondavs Boxercise 7pm to 8pm Tuesdavs

- Men's Club, Billiards from 4.30pm
- Badminton 6pm to 730pm
- Starting weekly from Tues 11th Sept Baby College for pre School (various times from 9am to 1pm)
- Starting from 11th Blues Dance class Sept 8pm
- Starting weekly from Tues 18th Sept Children's Martial arts age 4 to 16. From 4pm to 6pm.

Wednesdays

- 5th Sep WI from 7pm
- 12th 19th 26th Bowls from 7pm

Thursdays

- Pilates from 1045am
- Bowls 6th from 7pm
- Ballroom dancing13th 20th & 27th from

730pm

Friday

- · 28th from 10am Macmillan coffee morning and jewellery, clothing, treats and crafts.
- Saturdays Boot Camp with Matt Warren
- 23rd Sept 11am to 4pm Mr Bead for all vour crafting supplies.
- Sunday 9th Sept 3pm Swashbuckling Pirate adventure family circus show. Tickets 01953 665002

Future Dates

 Saturday 10 Nov Festive Fayre Shopping Event



WOMEN!

Bring your families and come and share

BIG 70TH BIRTHDAY BASH!!

Saturday 13th October 10.00am-12.30pm Great Bromley Village Hall

There will be Games, Quizzes, the famous WI Cake Stall and many other stalls and activities.

SEIZE the DAY and start your WI adventure.

£2 on the door includes tea and cake

In aid of Great Bromley WI.





Great Bromley LITTER PICK

Saturday 10th November Volunteers welcomed to help.

More details to come.



WEA course Autumn term

Ardleigh WEA (now meeting at Gt Bromley Village Hall) Parsons Hill, Great Bromley CO7 7JA

Wildlife & Habitats of East Anglia

Tutor: Alexander BASS
A course using colourful slides of wildlife and landscapes focusing of the range of flora, fauna and nature reserves of East Anglia. This will include Birds, Mammals and Butterflies of the Stour Estuary, RSPB Minsmere, Dunwich Heath and the Norfolk Broads

September Term
commencing Thursday 25th October 2018
14.30 - 16.30 (there will be a 15 minute tea
break around 15.30)
An eight week course
Ending on 13th December 2018
Fee £52

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Jill Frostick 01206 250263 (Secretary)
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(john@terrys.org.uk)

Little Dragons Pre-School

Family Quiz Night 22nd September at The Cross Inn Food available @ 5.30 Quiz starts @ 6.30



Martial Arts

for children aged 4 to 16 at Great Bromley Village Hall from 4pm on 18th September All registration details and info are obtained via the following link. https:// www.childrenskarate.co.uk



LONGMEAD Riding for the Disabled Association GROUP

Registered Charity number: 1073744.

Wrabness Walk with afternoon Tea and Raffle

Sunday 30th September 2018. **2pm start.** from Wrabness Village Hall, Station Road, Wrabness. CO11 2TH.

Come and join us for a walk in glorious Essex countryside and help raise funds for your local

Riding for the Disabled Association Group For further details and an entry form please contact wrabnesswalk2018@outlook.com

PARK LIFE

It's a sunny day in August and an ambulance is on its way to a house. It weaves its way swiftly along, blue lights flashing, until it reaches a long queue. The traffic tries to move out of its way – with difficulty, because a line of cars are parked haphazardly along the verge, their bumpers jutting into the road.

With effort, the ambulance gets through, passing the cause of the disruption. A delivery lorry has been left on double yellow lines, halting the flow and angering motorists for miles around.

Turning into a quiet neighbourhood, the ambulance's journey only gets harder as it squeezes past cars left on junctions and in restricted areas. In the end the paramedics have to go the rest of the way on foot – 30 minutes later than planned. They wouldn't have been able to get on the driveway anyway, because someone had parked right across the dropped kerb access, causing an obstruction.

That's the reality of a world without parking management.

We're the North Essex Parking Partnership, or NEPP for short. Led by Colchester Borough Council and including Epping Forest, Harlow, Uttlesford, Braintree and Tendring, NEPP manage parking enforcement in all six areas. We introduce new parking restrictions, enforce the ones that already exist, represent the local area in parking decisions and much more. Our Civil Enforcement Officers look for cars parked where they're causing danger or inconvenience to others. For example:

- on double or single yellow lines
- in resident permit zones when they don't have a permit
- in parking bays for longer than permitted
- and in other places where there are restrictions.

From time to time, they also deal with very different matters. A couple of months ago, an officer was on their way in the direction of Newport when they witnessed a serious road accident. The officer stayed with the driver for over an hour, awaiting an air ambulance. Incidents like this are rare, but as we're out on the ground we help wherever we can.

Nobody likes getting a parking ticket, but the truth is that we don't really like giving them either! If you think a Penalty Charge Notice is wrong, you can appeal and we'll always consider it fairly. If you see us out and about and you aren't sure where to park, please do feel free to ask. Our officers are all trained to give directions and advice, and we would always prefer to help than to give a penalty charge notice.

For this reason, we work to inform people about considerate parking. We regularly post motorist tips and advice on our Twitter account, @nepp_parking, and give presentations to parish councils and other organisations.

To find out more about parking restrictions and the NEPP, to appeal a parking ticket or request restrictions, visit www.parkingpartnership.org.uk/north



Peter Charles Wenden 1932-2018

Peter was a true gentleman of the countryside, a son of the village he loved, who filled so many local lives with happy memories. Most of his life revolved around Great Bromley, from growing up through school to the youth club, badminton and cricket. The cricket matches were often followed by an evening at the Spread Eagle and a good old "sing-song". The Spread was where he met June, his wife to be.

Peter and June built a bungalow at Brookside, in the dip opposite the lake on Badley Hall Road, and lived there whilst we, their children Kim and Paul, were attending St George's Primary. Moving over the parish boundary into Ardleigh in 1973 didn't diminish Peter's love and support for the village he held dear to his heart.

Peter was from a local farming family and was always happiest when outside, be it working or at leisure, and he accumulated some very strange outer garments and hats to protect him from the elements. He always valued practicality over style and disregarded any disapproving comments from his wife!

And of course, as we all know, he did occasionally like to wear dresses! We



thought this was quite normal behaviour as in our childhood he was always doing it... or at least once a year, for the Pantomime season! And his impersonations of Lulu and Tina Turner with the Bromley Buskers are unlikely to be forgotten anytime soon. He made life fun, full of laughter and song.

Peter worked the land and was a keen gardener, growing beans, potatoes, tomatoes, gooseberries, raspberries, blackcurrants and strawberries. He entered his produce in competitions with quite some success.

Peter had been to St Paul's Cathedral as a choir boy which began a lifetime of both singing and serving St George's church. He was so often to be seen in the church choir and helping, alongside June, with so many church and other village events.

We and our children, his beloved grandchildren, fondly remember the long walks in the countryside, searching for birds' nests, fishing in Lake Wood, Boxing Day shooting parties and holidays by the sea.

Four years ago Peter needed kidney dialysis which meant four hours treatment three days a week. He never complained and was always praising the doctors and nurses for looking after him. As he ailed, he spoke fondly of happy times spent with his sister Pat and of the many happy holidays that he and June spent with their great friends, Jean and Tubby Austin.

Unfortunately as his health declined his body got weaker. We feel sure he "held on" until after his granddaughter Katy's wedding so that the family would be able to celebrate the occasion. Although he couldn't be there in person, he was in our hearts... and always will be.

Kim & Paul

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

August is craft month for Great Bromley WI ladies. We try to learn a new skill each year. This month, we were delighted to find a local crafter who could teach us an interesting – and new - skill.

I'm sure many of us had a scrapbook when we were younger, and of course, WI scrapbooks take pride of place amongst our memories. Now the craft of scrapbooking has become a way of preserving those memories and photos with papercraft, adding borders, backgrounds, and captions to our scrapbook photographs, bust tickets and sweet wrappers.

Papercraft is something that few of the ladies had attempted before, so the 'make a travel journal' day workshop in Frating ticked the boxes for many of us.

We were all given a bag of assorted sheets of heavy paper – about 160gsm. Some of this paper would form the front and back of our travel journals, and some would create the dividers for each section in the journal.

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The 'big shot' machine applies pressure to the die to cut out the paper card template for the journal and we made busy with glue, distressing paint, and scissors to make the cut edges look weathered. We had with a range of pre-cut paper shapes: globes, planes, runway lines, and lettering. A selection of rubber stamps marked the front and back of the journals with maps of the world, compasses, and a range of travel modes. The creative ladies made some lovely journal covers, whilst the laggers received excellent help from Jackie and Caroline.

After an excellent lunch in the garden, we returned to create our inserts. Three sections were cut and stapled together, a wallet and pocket glued together for mementoes, tickets, and paper slips. Offcuts of paper were turned into ribbon bound shopping lists so there was minimal waste.

Then journal was then bound with thin elastic to hold the inserts tightly in, and a belly band of thicker elastic was affixed to the middle of the journal to keep those precious memories inside.

Everyone managed to complete a lovely journal for their next trip and gained some insight into the world of paper crafting. The Frating scrappers are certainly a talented group of crafters, and we all got some inspiration and ideas for our next crafting project.

Now we have our travel journals, we just need to think about where we would like to go!

Eileen Brown

Common Ground Theatre Company

will be on tour soon with their autumn production, closely followed by the Xmas show – so why not set a date (or two)!

OUR 2018 AUTUMN TOUR

The Mariner

A music-theatre adaptation of Samuel Taylor Coleridge's
"The Rime of The Ancient Mariner" by Pat Whymark
Touring East Anglia - 11th October to 11th November 2018

The show will feature live action, puppetry, film and original music by **Pat Whymark**, sung by a live choir. The Mariner will be played by **Julian Harries** (RSC, National Theatre, Shared Experience, West End)

2018-19 CHRISTMAS SHOW:

The Scarlet Pipistrelle

by Pat Whymark & Julian Harries Touring East Anglia - 14th December 2018 to 19th January 2019

Common Ground will be concocting their trademark heady mix of genre pastiche, musical dexterity and sheer lunacy that East Anglian Christmas audience know and love. **Julian Harries** plays Citizen Chambourcy, Emily Bennett (from last year's **Sherlock Holmes & The Hooded Lance**) plays Madame Claire de Luny.

Touring to Harkstead, Woodbridge, Stowmarket, Colchester Felixstowe, Aldeburgh, Diss & Ipswich

> To book call 07807 341364 www.commongroundtc.co.uk

THE DEDHAM EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Governors invite applications for residents in the parishes of Ardleigh, Bradfield, Dedham, Great Bromley and Stratford St Mary for financial grants that are available in the following categories:

Secondary Schools and Sixth Form Colleges

Applicants must be at least 12 years old on the 1 August of the year of applications.

Universities and Colleges of Further Education

Applicants must have lived in one, or more, of the five Parishes for at least two years prior to the application date.

For an application form or further details contact the Clerk to the Governors – Mrs Jean Flewin, Coppins, Crown Street, Dedham, Colchester CO7 6AT. Tel: 01206 322215.

Closing date for applications: 31 October 2018.

John Hilton Austin (1898 – 1918)

John Austin was born in Great Bromley in late 1898, most likely at his parents' house in Balls Green. Both of John's parents were Great Bromley born and bred. His father, John Ernest Austin was an Agricultural Labourer, and later a Horseman on a farm. He had married Matilda Gosling in 1893, and together they would have 7 children, of whom 2 died in infancy.

Unfortunately, there appear to be no surviving records detailing what John did after he left school by way of employment. Given his father's background, it is distinctly possible that he was employed on a local farm.

When conscription was introduced in 1916, it specifically allowed for men born in 1898 to volunteer for the Army, provided that they did so before they attained their 18th birthday. Whether John did this is not known. In the event that he was conscripted, John would have been called to enrol shortly after his 18th birthday. He may then stayed with a training unit, or alternatively he was then passed into the Army Reserve, to return home until such time as he was called up.

We do not know for sure when John was called up, nor when he was sent to France. There is some evidence to suggest that he may have been called up at the end of May 1918, and sent to France on 19th September, however this is far from certain.

We do know that the only unit that John served with overseas was the 12th Battalion of the East Surrey Regiment, and that he was with them near Ypres in Belgium, at the end of September 1918. The British offensives that finally broke the German Army started in France in August 1918, but it was not until 28th September that an offensive was launched in Belgium.

On the 29th September the 12th East Surreys moved up to a concentration area just behind the new front line near the village of Kortewilde. In the course of this advance they met an enemy strongpoint that had not been neutralised the previous day, and suffered 4 men killed and 11 men wounded.

John was one of those casualties, and died of his wounds that same day, aged 21. He has no known grave, and is officially commemorated on Panel 79 of the Tyne Cot Memorial to the Missing, located in the Tyne Cot Cemetery, near Passchendaele, Belgium.

Friends of Elmstead Church Annual Art Exhibition

At St Anne & St Laurence church, Elmstead Market Saturday 15th Sept 10.30am-5.30pm Sunday 16th Sept 12 noon—5.30pm Sunday morning breakfast at 9.00am Songs of Praise service after exhibition closes on Sunday



Community Library at The Cross

Every Wednesday 10.00am-12 noon



The Post Office at The Cross

Wednesday mornings 10 - noon ı

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The July meeting was a very interesting talk on fuschias.

Our outing in September is to Frinton Nurseries with afternoon tea. The coach will leave the village hall at 1.30pm.

New members are still needed to help keep our Club going. If you feel you would like to come along to the Village hall on the third Thursday in the month to see how you like it you may be pleasantly surprised as our Speakers vary considerably in their chosen subjects. There is also a welcome cup tea and cake and time for chat before the end of the afternoon!

The Speaker for September is a representative from Thorrington Horse Sanctuary and the competition an item relating to horses.

Sylvia Ward

William Henry Bantick

(1898/99 - 1918)

William Bantick was born in Great Bromley in late 1898 or early 1899, the eldest of 5 children of Henry and Florence Bantick (nee Keeble).

William's birth was registered in the name of Henry William Bantick, but from an early age he seems to have been called William, probably to avoid confusion with his father.

William's father was a Coachman, and later a Groom, who had been born in Ardleigh. His mother Florence, had been born in Raydon, Suffolk but her parents later moved to Great Bromley. By April of 1901, the Bantick family were living on Ardleigh Road at Great Heath, though they later moved to Ivy Cottage on Hall Road.

Unfortunately, there appear to be no surviving records detailing what William did by way of employment, after he left school.

If William was born in 1898, there is a possibility that he may have volunteered to join the British Army. If he did not, then he would have been conscripted shortly after his 18th birthday.

We do not know exactly when William was sent to join the British Expeditionary Force (B.E.F.) in France and Belgium, but it would not have been earlier than his 19th birthday. Following his arrival in France,

William was posted to the 2nd Battalion of the Essex Regiment.

The Battalion had suffered very heavy casualties at the end of March 1918, in the fighting near Arras during the first of the German spring offensives.

In mid- April, they were sent north where they helped stop the second of the German offensives. The Battalion then remained in this area - between the towns of Bethune and Merville - over the coming months.

In August 1918, the B.E.F. started a series of offensives which would eventually lead to the Germans signing the Armistice. The 2nd Essex were moved to positions east of Arras in late August, ready to take part in the offensive to be launched in that area.

It is almost certain that it was during the next few days that William was wounded, possibly on 2nd September when the Battalion were involved in a successful attack against German trenches near the village of Eterpigny.

William was evacuated from the front to a Casualty Clearing Station near the village of Ligny-St. Flochel. There, he died of wounds on 3rd September 1918, aged just 19. He was laid to rest nearby in what is now called the Ligny-St. Flochel British Cemetery.



STOUR VALLEY U3A

Recent Meetings

"Around the World in a Container Ship" was the most interesting talk by Peter Hesketh. a former Police Officer & Merchant Navv Purser, on Wednesday 11 July. As a lone passenger for around 4 months it positively was not a cruise. He explained the attraction of and comments on, life at sea when the ship spends so little time in port. Our Summer Dinner & Social was held at a new venue, The Ipswich Best Western, Copdock and this sell out event was enjoyed by all members present who enjoyed good company and food. As suggested by Members we introduced our first August meeting, on Wednesday 8th, when Tania Harrington MA, artist, art lover and researcher talked on "Art Attack- A History of Vandalism In Art". She looked at works of art that have been vandalised over the years and the reasons behind these criminal attacks, divided into Political Motivations. Mad Attacks and Artist Attacks. It was a serious, at times disturbing, but also humorous illustrated talk.

Future Meetings &

Diary Dates

On 12 September Taff Gillingham, Historian, will present a very British view on "Remembrance And The Great War". Taff advises film makers emphasising the need for historical accuracy on the 1914/18 War. Richard Heap, Production Director of Stephen Walters & Sons Ltd will talk on "Silk Weaving In Sudbury" on Wednesday 10 October. He will cover the history of silk weaving and how it came to Sudbury; the Silk Road from China to Sudbury; how silk yarns are processed; the silk Trade; partnerships and relationships between supplier and customer and how the Company engages with the local community and the environment. Our November 14th meeting will feature Davis Simmonds, a National Trust speaker and volunteer, introducing "The Coast Of East Anglia". The East Anglian coast is full of contrasts and has much beauty, history and wildlife. His presentation will focus on National Trust coastal properties in Essex & Suffolk

On the 4th Friday of each month the Coffee Grinders meet at The Lambe School, Gaston Street, East Bergholt, CO7 6SD from 10-12 noon. This meeting especially welcomes new members and gives all members the opportunity of meeting the activity Group Leaders and the Committee whilst enjoying a cup of coffee. The next meeting is on Friday 21 September, why not join us then?

Membership

Our main purpose is to encourage lifelong learning for those who are no longer in full time employment and emphasis is always placed on making learning active and fun as well as helping in developing friendships. We have a wide range of groups including language study, country walking, computer studies and gardens. churches and historic buildings visits. In the main, membership is drawn from communities in the lower Stour Vallev and adjacent areas including Brantham, Capel St Mary, Dedham, East Bergholt, Holbrook, Lawford, Manningtree, Raydon, & Stratford St Mary. We are affiliated to the ThirdAge Trust, have over 340 members and 35 active groups. For further information please

visit www.stourvalleyu3a.org.uk where membership secretary Gillian Gibbs may be contacted.

Meeting Venue

We meet at The Constable Hall, Gandish Road, East Bergholt CO7 6TP at 2 for 2.15pm. Annual membership costs £12 a year and this entitles members to attend the meetings that take place on the second Wednesday of each month, except December.

Remember

It's never too late to learn! Join over 400,000 members across over 1,000 U3As throughout the UK today!



St Helena up for second national award in 2018

Hot on the heels of an award win at the National Fundraising Awards last month, the lottery team at St Helena have been shortlisted for a second award with Charity Times in the category of 'Campaigning Team of the Year.'

The nomination recognises the achievements of the lottery team in proactively providing a new income stream for St Helena by building on their knowledge and expertise of running the successful Your Hospice Lottery and bringing a new lottery product, make a smile lottery to the charity sector raising vital funds for local causes across Great Britain

Sarah Green, Director of Lottery Services at St Helena commented: "To win one national fundraising award is an honour, but to be on the shortlist for a second award is unbelievable! It just goes to show that being bold and taking risks can pay off! This is a competitive shortlist and we are just chuffed to have been named amongst some big movers and shakers in fundraising. It's so humbling for our little team in Colchester to be recognised in this way, we could not have done it without the support of our amazing lottery partners who believed in us and made our dream a reality, thank you!"

St Helena has brought a hospice product to the charity sector for the very first time. With their new innovative approach they are bringing charities closer together to



Shortlisted

and an introduction to new supporters, whilst at the same time generating new income for St Helena to address unmet need for hospice care in North East Essex. St Helena have used their lottery expertise and knowledge to not only raise over £9million for hospices all over Great Britain. but to launch a lottery specific to the charity sector, to help small and large charities with their lottery offering, giving them more pence in the £1 income from their existing operation and in turn providing a reliable regular income for St Helena. 2017 saw the launch of their new 'make a smile lottery' product, now with 4 charity partners on board and over 5000 numbers

provide a

of income

new source

in the draw each week.
This clever way of working means that St
Helena can produce a sustainable income
and a good return on their investment.
Their ethical way of working means that all
proceeds of this lottery stay within the
charity sector.

The winners of the 19th Annual Charity Times Awards will be announced at a ceremony in London on 3rd October 2018, celebrating best practice in the UK charity and not-for-profit sector.

www.yourhospicelottery.org.uk www.makeasmilelottery.org.uk



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Supporting your hospice





How to Protect Your Identity and Money

- Do not give any personal information (name, address, bank details, email or phone number) to organisations or people before verifying their credientials. RMEMBER organisations such as the Police and Financial Institutions WILL NEVER ask for account details over the phone.
- Don't respond to unsolicited post, phone calls or emails offering business deals or asking for information. If an offer seems too good to be true, it probably is.
- Always ask for and check identification of anyone you do business with and especially before letting anyone you don't know into your home.
- Always take time and seek independent advice when paying for goods or services. If you are put under pressure to make a decision just say 'no'.
- Never pay money before you receive goods or services unless you are certain that the supplier is legitimate.
- When paying online only use a secure site and avoid using your debit card. Unlike credit cards debit cards don't always offer payment protection, and if compromised put your main account at risk.
- 7. Protect computers, tablets and smart phones. Always update your firewall, anti-virus and anti-spyware software. Only buy them from a reputable supplier.
- 8. Shred all documents containing personal data (including name and address details). Keep personal and financial information secure.
- Be suspicious of emails that look like they come from the online auction or payment site your're registered with. Check the web address in the browser. A tactic often used by fraudsters is to

change the address very slightly (if they're spoofing an eBay site, for instance, they may have an address such as '@ebayz.com' whereas the real site is 'ebaby.com)

To report a crime or discuss your situation with one of our specialist fraud advisers call
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Fraud isn't just a scam it's a crime



FRIENDS OF ST GEORGE'S

Thank you to all of you who read and enjoyed the article in last month's

Messenger.

Simon, Yvonne and I are really looking forward to meeting you all on September 13th at 7pm. There is so much to tell and show you about this wonderful Church of St. George.

One story you may not know is about two brothers Gregory and Simon Stone, who lived and worked in Great Bromley. Gregory and Simon decided to leave the village in 1635 with their families and sail to America for a new life..

The brothers left from
Ipswich on a ship called the "The Increase".
They settled in Watertown, their families
multiplied and now descendants live all
over North America

Many of the descendants are anxious to tread in the footsteps of Gregory and Simon, so, several families visit each year to Great Bromley, visit the church and learn about the very place where their ancestors worshipped.

There is a special window dedicated to this family, it is in the North Aisle as are photographs of the families who have visited recently.

This month Lucas Stone visited, a young man from Florida who was keen to learn more about his heritage. A very interesting chap who works at Universal Studios in the Wizarding World of Harry Potter

Why not pop in and see for yourself the lovely window with the "Increase" depicted at the top.

Plans for the North Aisle are progressing

well, we are waiting at present for a quote from three builders so that we know how

much we have to fund raise to be able to continue this worthwhile project.

St George's Church is open every day and you are welcome to pop in at any time.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with Simon, Yvonne and Jenny if you would like any more information or of course you would like to help us.

Please put the last weekend of June 2020 in your diary when we hope to run our bienniel flower

festival.

We look forward to seeing you on the 13th September at 7pm, come and have a coffee and a chat.

Jenny Nicholls

HALLOWEEN CRAFT FAIR

In aid of The Multiple Sclerosis Society
Saturday 20th October 10.30am - 4pm
Lawford Venture Centre, Bromley Road,
Manningtree, CO11 2JE
30 Local Craft Stalls, Face Painting, Home
Made Cakes, Christmas Gifts
Free Entry. Free Car Park. Refreshments.
Tel 01206 396868 or email:
louisejoplin@btinternet.com



ST. GEORGE THE MARTYR.



Services for September

St George's Church, Great Bromley

Welcome to our services

September 2nd Trinity 14

9.15am Holy Communion (BCP) with hymns

September 9th Trinity 15

10.30am Parish Eucharist (CW1)

September 16th Trinity 16

9.15am Family Service

September 23rd Trinity 17

> 10.30am Parish Eucharist (CW1) 6.30pm Evensong (BCP) with choir

September 30th Trinity 18

10.30am Benefice Eucharist (CW1) at Gt Bromley,

with choir and handbells

Vicar: Revd Canon Simon Heron Churchwardens:

01206 392659 Mrs Jenny Nicholls 01206 230688

Mrs Yvonne Cobbold 01206 230360

The church is open daily and you are welcome to visit. More details and information at www.greatbromley.org.uk Facebook or Twitter @StGeorgesGtBrom

| St Mary's church, Lawford | | St Mary's church, Little Bentley | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Every Sunday | 8.00am Holy Communion | 1st Sunday | 10.30am Morning Prayer | |
| 1st Sunday | 10.30am Holy Communion | 3rd Sunday | 10.30am Holy Communion | |
| 2nd Sunday | 10.30am Family Service | | | |
| - | 6.30pm Evensong | St Mary's church, Ardleigh | | |
| 3rd Sunday | 10.30am Holy Communion | 1st Sunday | 10.3am Parish Eucharist | |
| | 6.30pm Café Church | 2nd Sunday | 8.00am Holy Communion | |
| 4th Sunday | 10.30am Morning Worship | 3rd Sunday | 10.30am Parish Eucharist | |
| Wednesdays | 9.30am Holy Communion | 4th Sunday | 8.00am Holy Communion | |

J.A.M. DROP-IN

Every Friday in St George's church Term time only Parents and children welcome All are welcome 3.00pm to 3.45pm Refreshments, activities

Church Lunch

Friday 7th September at 12 noon

All welcome.