

Great and Little Maplestead, Pebmarsh and Gestingthorpe



April

the name is rooted in the Latin Aprilis, which is derived from the Latin aperire meaning “to open”—which could be a reference to the opening or blossoming of flowers and trees, a common occurrence throughout the month of April in the Northern Hemisphere.

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April 2023

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Village contacts and information

Reverend Beverley Vincent can be found on page 40 and the churchwardens on page 35.

Village Emergency Telephone Service and Neighbourhood Watch representatives see page 37.

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Otter's Jotter!



Hello everyone! I write this as the clocks are about to go forward and the 'April Showers' are certainly upon us even though we are days away from changing the month on the calendar!

Thank you to all who have answered the call to add articles and to get involved in their Parish for the good of the Community.

This month we have our usual updates from the Gardens of Eastern Lodge and Kings Head, Pebmarsh. We have great events and articles from each of the villages and more advertising too - which is certainly very welcome to ensure we can keep running the Parish News.

I do have an error to correct on last month's theme of 'On this day'. I totally apologise for showing the first FA Cup date as being in 1972, for those who know, it was meant to state 1872!

From Bluebell Sunday to Coronation planning, Life Drawing to Willow Weaving, plus the Easter celebrations - April is certainly a month to try something, or to visit somewhere, new.

Big thank you to all those who compose articles and features, the Parish Representatives, Distributors and Volunteers in all our villages. Thank you also to all who advertise with us - without this combined partnership, I would have a much bigger job on my hands and, more importantly it is you making the monthly editions possible.

Thank you for reading and keep up the good work of submitting your additions - below is the reminder of when we need them by!

Nic

Friday Deadlines for Articles!

Articles for Parish News must be submitted by the following Fridays to ensure they make it in the next months' print run.

Don't worry though, as long as they aren't date sensitive, we would ensure the article makes a future edition if they are late and/or the magazine is full.



21 April for May
19 May for June
21 June for the
July & August edition
18 August for September
22 September for October
20 October for November
17 November for the
December & January edition
19 January for February 2024 edition!

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The Maplesteads Royal Variety Performance Show

"Roll up, roll up all you budding thespians, comedians, dancers, singers, musicians, magicians, etc!"

As part of events to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III, there will be a variety show on the evening of Saturday 6th May 2023, at Great Maplestead Village Hall.

If you would like to perform within the show, we would love to hear from **YOU**.

We require a brief description of your act and roughly how much time it takes (5-10 mins max).

Please e-mail Ann Crisp at acrisppc@btinternet.com or tel:01787 460216.

Letter from the Reverend Beverley Vincent

The beginning of April, this year marks the start of Holy Week, the culmination of the previous five weeks of preparation that is Lent. During Holy Week Christians enter the highs and lows of the key events in the last days of the life of Jesus.

On Palm Sunday we remember Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey whilst the crowds gather and wave their palm branches and shout Hosanna. On Maundy Thursday we think of Jesus and the disciples around the Passover table as Jesus washes their feet and shares with them the bread and wine, which becomes for us the sacrament of Holy Communion.

Then we think of Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane as he prays to his Father one last time. On Good Friday we are at the foot of the cross to watch as Jesus is put to death on a cross. On Holy Saturday we wait- as Jesus' disciples waited for the chance to prepare the body of Jesus in the tomb. Then early on Easter morning before it is quite light, we recall the first witnesses to the empty tomb and celebrate our encounter with the risen Christ. We all say 'He is risen, He is risen indeed. Alleluia.'

This is a powerful symbol of new life, and as I look around, I see the evidence of new life, the blossoming of daffodils and crocuses, the increasing sight and sound of birds returning from their winter holidays and busily building nests, and the unmistakable sound of lawnmowers! Let us not only enjoy the sunshine this month (I hope) but allow some sunshine in our hearts too. Whether you are a person of faith or none, Easter is a turning point a time to look forward with confidence as we enter a season of hopeful anticipation.

Please know that you are welcome to join us at any of our services as we walk through the story of Easter. You can find the details of our services in this magazine or on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Knights-Hospitallers-Parishes-104300528248946>

*Easter Blessings,
Rev'd Beverley*



Unlike a conventional bus, you need to first register as a customer and you need to book your seat on a journey at least two hours in advance of travel.

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Great Maplestead, Church (opp)	0741	1011	1211	1411	1641	1841	0741	1011	1211	1411	1641	1841
Little Maplestead, The Cock (E-bound)	0749	1017	1217	1417	1647	1847	0749	1017	1217	1417	1647	1847
Pebmarsh, War Memorial (opp)	0754	1023	1223	1423	1653	1853	0754	1023	1223	1423	1653	1853
Pebmarsh, The Kings Head (opp)	0755	1024	1224	1424	1654	1854	0755	1024	1224	1424	1654	1854
Wickham St Paul, The Victory (opp)	0804	1033	1233	1433	1703	1903	0804	1033	1233	1433	1703	1903
Gestingthorpe, Foundry Corner (N-bound)	0810	1039	1239	1439	1709	1909	0810	1039	1239	1439	1709	1909
Bulmer, The Street (opp)	0815	1045	1245	1445	1715	1915	0815	1045	1245	1445	1715	1915
Bulmer Tye, Park Lane (opp)	0819	1049	1249	1449	1719	1919	0819	1049	1249	1449	1719	1919
Ballingdon, Strawberry Stores (o/s)	0823	1053	1253	1453	1723	1923	0823	1053	1253	1453	1723	1923
Sudbury, Bus Station (A)	0830	1056	1256	1456	1728	1928	0830	1056	1256	1456	1728	1928
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Bulmer Tye, Park Lane (adj)	0907	1107	1307	1537	1737	1922	0907	1107	1307	1537	1737	1922
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Gestingthorpe, Foundry Corner (S-bound)	0917	1117	1317	1547	1747	1932	0917	1117	1317	1547	1747	1932
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Pebmarsh, The Kings Head (o/s)	0932	1132	1332	1602	1802	1947	0932	1132	1332	1602	1802	1947
Pebmarsh, War Memorial (opp)	0933	1133	1333	1603	1803	1948	0933	1133	1333	1603	1803	1948
Little Maplestead, The Cock (W-bound)	0939	1139	1339	1609	1809	1954	0939	1139	1339	1609	1809	1954
Great Maplestead, Church (opp)	0945	1145	1345	1615	1815	2000	0945	1145	1345	1615	1815	2000
Little Maplestead, Little Maplestead Pump (E-bound)	0951	1151	1351	1621	1821	2006	0951	1151	1351	1621	1821	2006
Halstead, High Street (SW-bound)	0956	1156	1356	1626	1826	2011	0956	1156	1356	1626	1826	2011
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Timetable checked, from the Responsive Demand Service published route & times, on 25 March 2023.

Voter ID Required for Local Elections

Local Elections are being held across **Braintree District** on **4th May 2023**.

The UK Government has made it a requirement for voters in elections to now show **photo ID** when voting, either at a polling station or by proxy.

Which forms of photo ID can you use?

You may already have a form of photo ID that is acceptable – for example any of the following will be accepted:

- Passport
- Driving licence (including provisional licence)
- Blue badge
- Certain concessionary travel cards
- Identity card with PASS mark (Proof of Age Standards Scheme)
- Biometric Immigration document
- Defence identity card
- Certain national identity cards



For more information on which forms of photo ID will be accepted, you can visit electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID or call the helpline: 0800 328 0280.

What you need to do if you have no photo ID

If you don't already have an accepted form of photo ID, or you're not sure whether your photo ID still looks like you, in order to vote you will need to apply for a free voter ID document, known as a **Voter Authority Certificate**.

To apply for a **VAC** go to: voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk.

Full details of the photo ID requirements can be found at: www.braintree.gov.uk/voterid

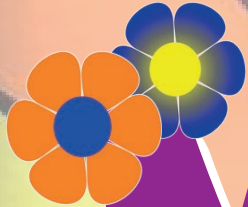




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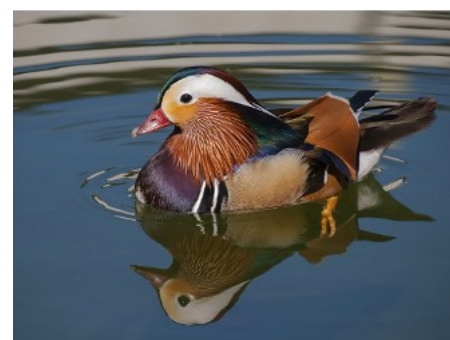
Out walking local lanes on February 19th, I noticed the newly emerged dark-spotted leaves of the Arum lily, commonly known as Lord and Ladies or, more obscurely, Cuckoo-pint. I did look up the origin of the latter, rather odd name, but decided not to pass it on as a matter of delicacy. Having noticed the plant and read about it, it was a surprise to see it featured on David Attenborough's first programme of his new series, Wild Isles. The flower is pollinated by attracting minute flies enticed by the fetid smell. They feed on a secretion produced by the female flowers and, while doing, so pick up pollen which they then convey to the next plant they visit. Another fascinating example of the web of life; how one organism has evolved a crucial interdependence with another completely unrelated species.



Owls feed mainly on small mammals, swallowing them whole and later coughing up undigested material in the form of pellets containing fur and bones, etc. I retrieved some pellets recently from under a barn owl nest box (presumably occupied) and discovered there-in the tiny jaws of a small rodent, only 14mm in length. Further examination produced a skull and tiny limb bones, enough evidence I'm sure to identify the species of animal, although, sadly, not by me.

After nearly a week of prevarication (too cold, too wet, too windy) I ventured out on the 11th of March. After the long dry spell, recent heavy rain had turned fields to mush and walking up Dynes Hall road I saw a largely flooded field with a couple of ducks. Binoculars revealed the stunningly beautiful male Mandarin duck accompanied by the much more subdued female. This was only the second occurrence for the area, the first being in September 2018 on Alderford Farm pond, when two males and a female were seen.

Mandarin is an introduced species from the Far East, China, Japan, Korea and parts of Russia. Current populations in the UK are descended from escapes and deliberate releases. While the British population was estimated at 3,500 pairs in 2007, mainly in the south, in Essex birds are concentrated in the south west and number in the hundreds. Certainly, in our patch, it is a rare sight indeed and one to be savoured. I chastised myself after seeing these birds – talking yourself out of going out can mean you miss one of these rare sights. As my teachers often said, "Must try harder!"



Patch Patroller

Gardening Corner

Here we are finally into April and the clocks have gone forward an hour, giving us all the more time to garden.

Now is a good time to spread home-made compost onto flower/shrub borders to feed and conserve moisture in the soil.



Recently, a friend gave me some Luffa seed. Not having grown this plant before, the first thing I noticed was the seeds need sowing February to March! Albeit a little late, I have put in one seed per pot as per the instructions. I note that Luffa (loofah) can be cooked as a vegetable, not just used to wash with in the bath! I will update you all later in the year as to how successfully they have grown in the greenhouse.

Roses are budding well and, if you do spray against black spot, now is a good month to start. I recently planted a favourite of mine: Rosa Moyesii 'geranium'. This unusual rose is best grown against a wall or through an obelisk. It only flowers once a year but has a spectacular profusion of geranium red single flowers.



In the vegetable garden early potatoes can be planted now, ridging up the soil so that each row is covered in a pyramid of soil to protect the tubers from late frost. Parsnips need sowing this month and remember, they take three to four weeks to germinate according to weather conditions.

Sweet pea sticks can be put in place ready to plant out the young seedlings towards the end of April. If you sow sweet peas in a greenhouse do look out for mice who like nothing better than to nip off the shoots at the base of each plant.



Summer colour is just around the corner and a popular annual is the Impatiens or Busy Lizzie; this plant can be grown in sun or partial shade so, if you have an area which only gets the afternoon sun, this plant should prosper. Tagetes, the marigold, is another summer bedding plant that gives us a 'hot colour', together with nasturtium, fuchsia – the list goes on.

Cover a small pond if you have one; the fish will soon need feeding and they tend to come to the top on warm spring days, just right for a beady eyed heron...

Keep warm out there.....**The Arborist.**

Little Maplestead

Little Maplestead Parish Council

Parish Clerk

Little Maplestead Parish Council want to thank Ann Harris for all her hard work over the last 6 years, but she has now decided to move on.



We have a
VACANCY

This means we now have a vacancy for a Parish Clerk. Please see separate notice.

Speed limits and speeding in the village. PLEASE SLOW DOWN

As most of you know the Parish Council has taken many initiatives to try to get the speed limit in our village lowered from 40 mph to 30 mph. We are also hoping to extend the area included in the new limit.

At the time of writing we have been unsuccessful on both counts, but we are still pushing.

As Spring is approaching many more people will be out enjoying the countryside as pedestrians, cyclists or horse riders, as the footpaths and bridleways do not always avoid road use. There are many sharp bends, and narrow lanes in and around the village, where visibility may be compromised. Please drive with care and consideration for other road users, and remember that you may be that pedestrian, horse rider or cyclist, when you are not behind the wheel.



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The position is home based and an allowance for home office use will be paid.

The Clerical Duties will include attendance at the Parish Council meetings which are held every other month (i.e. six meetings a year); preparing the Agenda for these meetings in consultation with the Chairman, and producing the meeting minutes. The Clerk will also handle the Parish Council correspondence and emails.

Additionally the Clerk will liaise with Agencies such as the EALC and Essex Highways and will be responsible for ensuring that the Councillors' views on planning applications are submitted to BDC Planning in a timely manner. The Clerk is required to monitor the actions and decisions of the Parish Council and to advise the Council on its statutory duties and the regulatory requirements relating to its activities.

The Clerk will ensure, either directly or working through the Parish Council's Consultant, that the Parish Council website is maintained and up to date.

The RFO Duties will include the day to day financial management of the Council and also the preparation of and adherence to the Council's Annual Budget, managing both income and expenditure. The RFO will also produce the end of year accounts and arrange the annual audit. The Council has signed up to the RIALTAS Accounting package as the management tool for this purpose.

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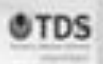
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Great Maplestead

Playing Field Development Project - Progress Update

Work on installing the new modern, adventure play equipment and safety surfacing in the children's play area is nearly complete, although there is some grass re-seeding, tree pruning, ground repairs and settling still to take place.

The play area and parts of the field have to remain closed for this to happen and the play equipment **cannot be used** until a RoSPA safety inspection has been carried out – this will happen sometime in April. Provided the inspection is satisfactory, Earth Wrights, the constructors, can then hand responsibility for the entire play area over to the Council; only then can it be re-opened to the public.



For safety and insurance reasons the play area remains a construction site, which has to stay closed to the public until it is handed over; on no account should anyone attempt to access it beforehand.

Work on laying the perimeter pathway is currently scheduled to start on Monday 17th April and will take around 10 days to complete, during which time the whole field will be closed to avoid damage to the path surface as it 'cures'.

Parts of the car park may also need to be cordoned off to accept materials and equipment delivery and storage for the duration of this work – if so, these areas will be fenced off for safety and security reasons. Occasionally the car park may also need to be closed completely – signs will be in place and the information posted on social media. The school has been advised and has informed parents.

Weather, ongoing construction work and safety inspections permitting, it is hoped to be able to officially open the play area and inaugurate the perimeter path during the weekend of the King's Coronation celebrations – further details here next month.

The Playing Field Development Working Party

Easter Lilies



for

St Giles' Church, Great Maplestead

Would anyone who would like to make a donation towards the cost of the Church's Easter lilies this April please contact

Denise O'Connell (07795 170 048)



Save the Date

The next bumper Maplesteads'

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Saturday 23rd September

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**Great Maplestead is Celebrating
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Events and Entertainments

Saturday 6th May to Monday 8th May 2023

Saturday 6th May 2023

Royal Variety Performance Show – 7.00pm at the Village Hall

- 7.00pm : Canapes & Fizz
- 7.30pm : Show Commences

A subsidised bar will be operating before, at the interval and following the show

~ ENTRY BY TICKET ONLY ~

--ooOoo--

Sunday 7th May 2023

Afternoon Tea & Cake – 2.00pm at St Giles Church

- To include a **Cake Fit For a King Competition**
(Under 12 & Adult Categories)

Free to anyone attending, although you are encouraged to bake a cake for the competition and for all to share!

--ooOoo--

Monday 8th May 2023

(subject to project completion & good weather)

Official launch of the new children's play area & the perimeter pathway on the village playing field. To include a community walk & garden games. Please bring your own picnic & chairs.

+ *Everybody is invited to decorate their house/garden for the Coronation weekend. There will be a prize for the best display!*

A Flyer with more information and Show Ticket Request Forms will be hand-delivered to each household from 25th March



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Great Maplestead

Great Maplestead Volunteer Network

Just to let you know that the Great Maplestead Volunteer Support Network is still there for you.

If you would like any help please do not hesitate to contact me by phone on 01787 461002 or 07773 627897, or by e-mail at jacqui.mee62@gmail.com

Coffee at St Giles

Please join us for coffee on Wednesday mornings in the Deane Chapel at St Giles' – or outdoors in the churchyard, if it's warm enough. We serve from 10.30am until 12 noon. There is no charge – these are social get-togethers, not fundraisers. Also, we now serve coffee after our regular services, so please join us if you can.

The Maplesteads Autumn Show



will take place in **Great Maplestead Village Hall** on

Saturday 9th September

Please put this date in your diary and start thinking about planting or sowing your vegetables and flowers to help make this show really special

More details nearer the time

In the meantime, if you need any further information, please contact the Chairman, Carol Brownlie, on 01787 461 527

Hedingham Heritage Society

Thursday 6 April – ‘Deathly finds in Roman Colchester’

A macabre tale of Colchester’s Roman past

Adam Wightman, the Colchester Archaeologist

7.30 pm Castle Hedingham Memorial Hall

Sunday 23 April – ‘Bluebells and Red Campion’ A spring wildflower walk with **Sheila Bareham – EWT**

10.30am meet at Castle Hedingham

Memorial Hall



Our 2023 programme is available at these meetings, come and join this local and natural history society for the year – annual membership £15.00.

Members free for all walks and talks: non-members £5

All Welcome

Details

Rob Worley 01787460664

Trudi Cullum 01787462889

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VILLAGE WALK



Easter Monday 10th April

Meet at **11.00am** in Great Maplestead Village Hall Car Park

Half-way refreshments provided

Finish at the Village Hall for drinks and nibbles

Adults: £2.50 each; Children under 15/dogs: free

Proceeds to the **Playing Field Development Project Extras** – please pay before the start of the walk

<https://greatmaplesteadpc.co.uk/parish-information/events/>

News from the Gardens of Easton Lodge

We are looking forward to April, as the Gardens open for visitors on **Thursdays from 6 April** and we have our first ever **Tudor Day on 23 April**.

The volunteers have been working hard over winter on a range of projects so by April there should be a new path, a refreshed rill, more freshly planted trees and a new planting area behind the croquet lawn. The daffodils and cowslips will still be flowering, and bluebells and tulips at the end of the month. There will be the first roses, cherry blossom and lots of fresh green leaves. Just some of the highlights to see in the Gardens in April.

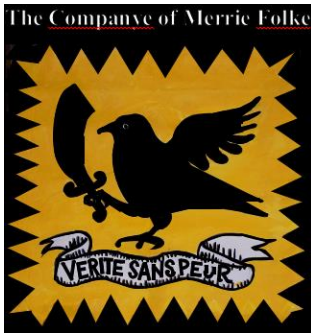


On **23 April** visitors to the Open Day will learn about the Tudor beginnings of the Easton Lodge house and estate. Henry Maynard was granted the estate by Elizabeth I in 1590, to add to the local lands he had already bought in Tilty. And he subsequently bought land in Broxted and Great Easton. Maynard decided he wanted a large new Elizabethan house, on the site of the existing hunting lodge, and so what was known as Easton Lodge was built. At the Open Day there will be a range of Tudor activities. The Merrie Folke will show the story of Maynard's relationship with Lord Burleigh, his patron, and Elizabeth's right hand man and give a flavour of a Tudor St George's Day. Our archivist will display relevant records too. Lots of fun to be had and very educational too!

For more information go to our website:

From 6 April, Open Thursdays, 11.00-3.00, last entry 2.00: <https://www.eastonlodge.co.uk/whats-on/open-thursdays-3/>

23 April Open Day 11.00-5.00, last entry 4.00: <https://www.eastonlodge.co.uk/whats-on/april-open-day-our-tudor-beginnings/>.



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OUR TUDOR STORY

Open Day: Sunday 23 April

- Lord Burleigh & entourage visit Easton Lodge
- Archery & armour • Tudor games • Quill writing
- Pottage making • Net making & weaving
- Craft & Plant Stalls

11.00am – 5pm (last entry 4pm)

Entry fees: Adults £6.50, children under 16 free

Bacon, cheese or hummus rolls; homemade cakes

- Picnics welcome • Dogs on leads welcome

See website for details

www.eastonlodge.co.uk

Gestingthorpe

Gestingthorpe 'Gathering' Coffee Mornings.

Trees are budding and flowers are brightening up our village. A good time to take a nice gentle stroll to our village hall to join us and enjoy our coffee mornings. We would love to see you and guarantee a warm welcome, good hot tea or coffee and lovely home baked cakes.

Our three (since our coffee mornings started) brilliant home bakers of the delicious cakes that they have unfailingly provided for every coffee morning are now joined by another villager. Thank you ladies.

Our coffee mornings during **April** will be held on the **Fridays of 14th and 28th**. The dates during **May** will be the **Fridays of 12th and 26th**.

Our coffee mornings continue to be a great place for villagers and friends to have a fortnightly 'catch up' over a coffee and cake. Funds raised at our coffee mornings go towards the upkeep and running of our village hall.

If you haven't yet been to a coffee morning; please come along. If you are in Gestingthorpe and you don't want to walk along the roads on a wet and windy day please give **Chris or Rose a call on 01787 462763** who would be happy to give you a lift to the village hall.

Gestingthorpe - Bluebell Sunday

Wiggery Wood will be 'open' for local residents to visit and enjoy the Bluebells, together with the other woodland flora, on **Bank Holiday Sunday, April 30th**, from 11a.m to 7p.m



A special 'Bluebell Service' will also be held in the wood at 3.00 p.m. conducted by the Revd Beverley Vincent. All Welcome!

To find the wood, drive to Hill Farm, Gestingthorpe, where there is ample parking, then follow the signs to the wood, which is about 400 yards away. Stout footwear is essential!

N.B The wood will not be 'open' in the event of very strong winds.

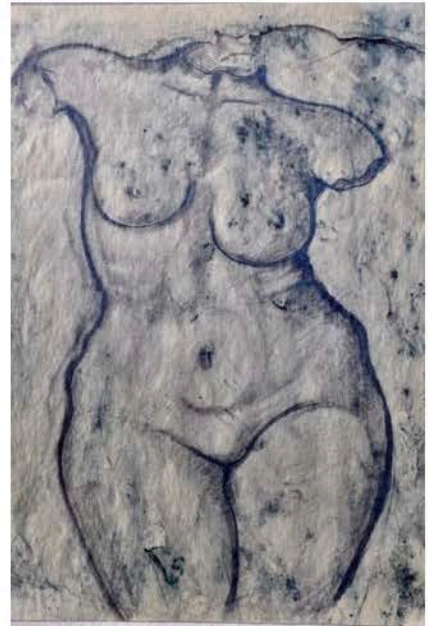
Life Drawing Class

Date: Saturday 29 April, 2023.

Time: 1.00-3.00pm. Cost: £35.00

at: Gestingthorpe village hall.

Length of class: 3 hours with break. Tea and coffee provided.



Suitable for beginners or for regulars looking for a relaxed and sociable drawing session. The session will be led by **Terry Flower** who has over 30 years teaching experience: Senior Lecturer Uni. of Brighton, Course leader M.A. Sculptural Practice, Course leader B.A.Hons. 3D design & Craft.

The session will involve drawing from poses of varying length, beginning with quick sketches, and progressing to longer sittings of around 20 minutes. Cartridge paper will be available, as will access to some essential drawing materials, drawing boards and easels. But you may want to bring your own drawing materials. To ensure good spacing, each workshop will be limited to a maximum of 10 students who will work standing at easels.

What a brilliant evening of life drawing, I met a lovely bunch of people and great tuition from Terry Flower. You can see how I progressed just in those 3 hours under his influence. Caryn Noad. (recent participant.)

For information/ booking contact:

Terry 07964405365. terry.flower.art@icloud.com

GESTINGTHORPE VILLAGE HALL

THE TUESDAY TALK

25th APRIL at 7:30pm

Ramblings
of an Old
Sourdough



Local artisan baker, Tim Nash, will take a light-hearted wander through the history of bread-making and how we got to today's plastic-packed Mother's Pride. On the way, he will talk about how Tensheds Bakehouse came to be, offer a few thoughts on Gluten and Gut Health and shine a light onto the often-misunderstood world of Sourdough."

Tickets £5 on the door
to include a glass of wine or soft drink
(all proceeds go to the village hall funds)

Willow Weaving Course
Sunday 30th April

Come along to the Pheasant and try your hand at making a Willow Pheasant for your garden.

The Day starts at 10am and will include a Weavers Lunch and your Willow Pheasant to take home with you.

Cost £90 if you would like to book, please email thepheasantpb@aol.com or call 01787 465010

Course run by Deb Hart
<https://dehart.co.uk/willow-weaving-gallery/>

Pheasant Fest,
Coronation Weekend

Join us to celebrate the Coronation with community events organised for the Village & our Visitors. We'll have....

Music, BBQs & a Beer Festival

More information to be published on the Gestingthorpe Village & The Pheasant FaceBook Pages.



THE PHEASANT

Quiz at the Village Hall

What a great night! Some of the many supporters of our village hall came along to our quiz on Friday 17th March and enjoyed a few hours of fun of quizzing and chatting with their friends and villagers. Seven rounds of varied questions with the final round being 'Ten evil men in history'. What a way to end a quiz!

Many of those who had been to our previous quizzes expected to have a marathon round of 'Ding Bats' (similar to the Catchphrase show on TV) and weren't disappointed. We said we would use the marathon as a tie-breaker if we needed one and it was a good thing we didn't need it because all but one table scored 100% (the other table was close to 100%). The teams were good; the bar for the Ding Bat question setters will need to be raised for the next time.

Our quiz included a filling light cold buffet and drink. That went down well. Not much left but we did over order the cheeses.

A raffle was held and we thank those who provided the prizes. A good boost to our funds.

It was great to see the fun everyone had and to hear the chatter on the night. That's what our lovely village hall offers; a place for fun and friendship.

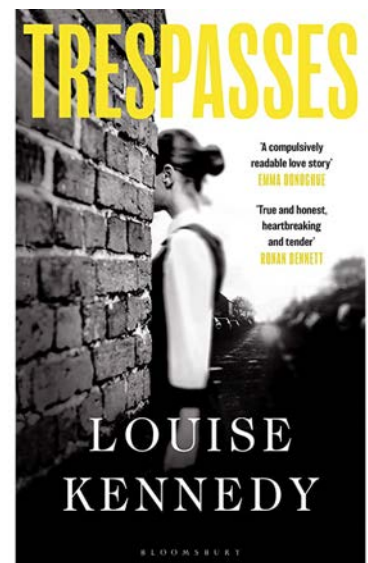
Thank you everyone for coming along.

Gestingthorpe First Tuesday Book Club

The Gestingthorpe Book Club meets on the **first Tuesday of each month** in the village hall. Our meetings are very informal with lots of chat, laughs, wine & nibbles. We are currently reading *Trespases* by Louise Kennedy.

If you would like to join us, our next meeting is Tuesday 4 April @ 7.30pm.

Contact Penny pbagby1@gmail.com or 07840 367172 for further details.



Gestingthorpe Parish Council & Village Hall Committee

Gestingthorpe Coronation Weekend

The Parish Council and Village Hall Committee would welcome help over the weekend of the Coronation (May 6, 7, 8th). Helping with serving drinks in the village hall, or cricket pavilion or manning one of the games that will take place on Sunday at the playing field.

There will also be opportunities on the Monday to help with a litter pick and clear up of the many road signs in the village which we could do with help to achieve.

If you think you are able to lend a hand over this weekend, please get in touch with Penny Bagby (07840 367172) or Chris Harman (01787 462763).

What's On at Gestingthorpe Village Hall?

Date	Use	Time
Tuesday, 4 April 2023	Fun, Fit, Fab-Dance	9.30 - 10.30
Tuesday, 4 April 2023	Book Club	19.30 - 21.00
Wednesday, 5 April 2023	Bell Ringers	4pm-5pm
Thursday, 6 April 2023	Fun, Fit, Fab	10.00 - 10.45
Tuesday, 11 April 2023	Fun, Fit, Fab-Dance	9.30 - 10.30
Wednesday, 12 April 2023	Bell Ringers	4pm-5pm
Thursday, 13 April 2023	Fun, Fit, Fab	10.00 - 10.45
Friday, 14 April 2023	Coffee Morning	10.00 - 12.00
Tuesday, 18 April 2023	Fun, Fit, Fab-Dance	9.30 - 10.30
Wednesday, 19 April 2023	Bell Ringers	4pm-5pm
Thursday, 20 April 2023	Fun, Fit, Fab	10.00 - 10.45
Thursday, 20 April 2023	Village Hall Meeting	19.30 - 21.00
Tuesday, 25 April 2023	Fun, Fit, Fab-Dance	9.30 - 10.30
Tuesday, 25 April 2023	Tuesday Talk – Ten Sheds Bakery	19.30 - 21.30
Wednesday, 26 April 2023	Bell Ringers	4pm-5pm
Thursday, 27 April 2023	Fun, Fit, Fab	10.00 - 10.45
Thursday, 27 April 2023	PC - Annual Village Meeting	7pm - 9pm
Friday, 28 April 2023	Coffee Morning	10.00 - 12.00
Saturday, 29 April 2023	Life Drawing Class	1.00 - 3pm

Forthcoming Events at Gestingthorpe Village Hall

25 April 2023	Tuesday Talk – Ten Sheds Bakery	7.30pm
6 – 8 May 2023	Gestingthorpe History Group Exhibition	From 10am Tea, Coffee, Cake on sale
6 May	Coronation Drinks	6pm
20 May 2023	Spring Craft Fair	10am-3pm
7 June 2023	Summer Party	To be advised

Gestingthorpe History Group

Over the weekend of the Coronation (May 6, 7 & 8), we will be having an exhibition in the Village Hall showing images, words and artefacts relating to the history of Gestingthorpe. The exhibition will open at 10am on the Saturday and be available for anyone to come and have a look (and listen) over the following 3 days.

There will be a video playing which will highlight some of the activities we have been involved with over the 11 years since our last exhibition which will feature sound-bites of the interviews we have been fortunate to record of residents old and new.

Tea and Coffee will be available throughout the days and there will be further displays taking place in the Church and information regarding tours of Ashley Cooper's Museum at Hill Farm.

Look out for further details via the Village Facebook page, notice boards or the flyers that will circulate throughout the village.

GESTINGTHORPE CORONATION EVENTS

Saturday 6 May

- Coronation Drinks from 6pm in the Village Hall
- Free Entry. Beer, Wine & Soft drinks on sale
- Beacon Lighting on Church Green at 8pm

Sunday 7 May

- Coronation Games & Big Lunch from 12 Noon
- BYO picnic lunch on the Village Green
- Beer, Wine & Soft drinks on sale in the pavilion

Monday 8 May

- The Big Village Tidy. Meet at Church Green 10am
- Free Tea/Coffee & Bacon Rolls for all Village Tidy Volunteers in the Village Hall at Noon

6, 7 & 8 May

- History Group Exhibition - Village Hall & Church from 10am

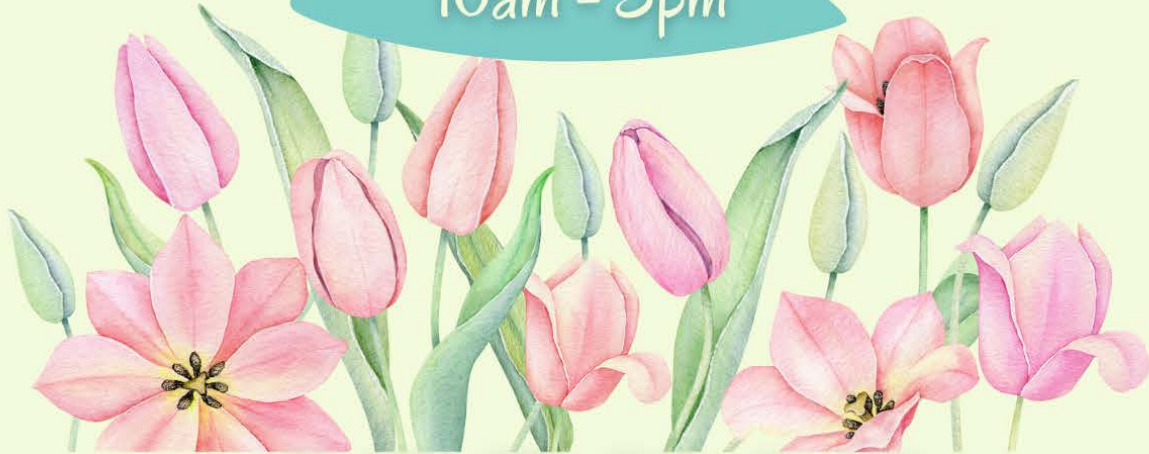
Look out for further information on the Village Facebook page, notice boards & flyers.



GESTINGTHORPE VILLAGE HALL

Saturday 20th May

10am - 3pm



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Pebmarsh

St John the Baptist Church

May I start by wishing you all a Happy Easter as we all watch our gardens spring into life and enjoy the daffodils. We will soon enjoy the scent of fresh flowers back in the church and some warmer weather.

The Easter Service on the 9th April will be held at Great Maplestead with the benefice choir.

We will be holding the AGM of the Parochial Church Council on the 23rd April after our 11am service.

May I make a plea to our community as we are in desperate need of people to help our small team to run and maintain the church. There are many things people could help with, for instance flower arranging, delivering magazines, unlocking the church and joining the PCC to help run the church.

We also need help occasionally at weddings, funerals and baptisms as sidesmen (ushers). It could be that you are already attending one of these events and could help on the day. It helps spread the load and make things run smoothly. We would welcome volunteers to help us carry out a good spring clean on Saturday 15th April at 10 am, with coffee and homemade cake thrown in of course!

If anyone is interested in flower arranging but doesn't feel confident, I am happy to guide you. In a world where we are all trying to be more sustainable we encourage helpers to pick flowers from their own gardens and have flowers only on the main altar for monthly services. At other festivals we have a small team who get together and decorate the church as a group.

Pebmarsh is very lucky to have a good community and with quite a few new faces, as people move into the village. In some cases this has been one of the reasons they have chosen our village. Some people still return to clubs and events having moved away. So, please think about getting involved and meeting some people new and old.

A big thank you must go out to Paula Hele for organising an annual litter pick through the village and all who helped.


Sarah Burgess
Pebmarsh Church Warden



Support In Pebmarsh

Pebmarsh Volunteers continue to be here for you. If you need anything, such as if you're isolating/quarantining and need help to collect prescriptions or with shopping, get in touch with Kate Carling, please phone: 267924, and she will put you in touch with your village Volunteer.

The following information is deliberately featured in a different orientation

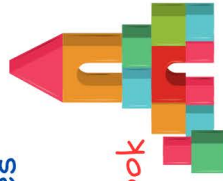

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Our family is so grateful for all the support we have been given over the past few years, as a parent of multiple children each with their own health or sen needs St Johns have fully supported me and my children.



We have been so impressed since September with Miss Gage. **** has made great progress so far this year and Miss Gage understands how to get the best out of her. **** talks about being challenged at school and she understands her own next steps. It is clear from looking at **** books that there had been a real positive change in the way that the curriculum is being taught, particularly in maths and English. **** has always loved Pebmarsh school and she has developed a real love of learning. Thank you for all of your hard work.



'Family feel good school'.

King's Head Public House

We hope you will be interested in the events planned at the King's Head over the next few months. Ryan, Cathy and their team plan to offer something for everyone in the community and they look forward to welcoming you.

Quiz Nights: Thursdays: 6 April, 11 May - 8pm

Easter Bank Holiday: 7-10 April

- **Easter Fun for Kids:** Saturday 8 April
- **Live music** with "Jaars" the ultimate cover band:
Sunday 9 April, 8pm

Beer Festival: Saturday April 29 - Monday 1 May

- Beers and ciders to try. Barn open: Saturday 12-8pm
Sunday 12-8pm
Monday 12-5pm
- **Karaoke:** Sunday 30 April from 8pm

King's Coronation Holiday: 6-8 May

- **"Street Party":** Saturday 6 May: A fun day of bouncy castle, brilliant magician, street food and more
- **Live music** with popular local band "Blueprint" from 8pm

As always you can find out about events at the pub via www.kingsheadpebmarsh.co.uk or by following the pub on Facebook @kingsheadpebmarsh or Instagram @kingshead_Pebmarsh



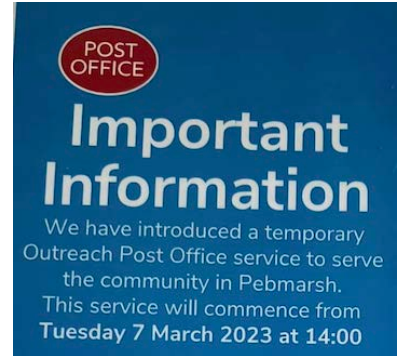
Pebmarsh Village Hall

Mondays **Dog training club** - 17.15 - 21.00
Wendy Beard 0730519560

Tuesdays **Pilates and Yoga** - 09.45 - 10.30
_Jade Gooding - <https://pilatesandyogawithjade.com/>

Ladies Club - 12.30 - 15.00 Every 2nd Tuesday in the
Committee Room
Sandra Beaney

**** **NEW:** Community Outreach
POST OFFICE every Tuesday in the
committee room 14:00 - 16:00 ****



Wednesdays **Adult dance exercise class** - 19.00 - 20:00
_Kim Richardson - dance.kimrichardson@gmail.com

Thursdays **Art Group** -11.00 - 16.00
Sue Burgess 07443 537569

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Pebmarsh History Corner

Extract from the Easter edition of Pebmarsh Magazine April 1970

Death of Rev. T.D.S Bayley, M.A. (9.3.70)

Although 71 years of age, the sad news of the sudden passing of Denis Bayley so soon after the demise of his aged housekeeper, Miss White, reached this parish on Monday evening with considerable shock.

Rector of Pebmarsh from 1930 – 1957, his tall figure often walking throughout the parish and talking to parishioners was a familiar sight in those days.

He saw service in the First World War and as a result suffered the effects of being gassed.

He was ordained in 1922, during the early years of his incumbency here he was instrumental in persuading the Diocese to build the present Rectory above Mill Lane and he took great interest in choosing the site and supervising the work, which was blessed by the Bishop of Chelmsford on 14.12.39.

Installed in the New Rectory together with his Mother, younger sister and Miss White, he devoted much of his spare time in search of information both documentary and orally which he collected in connection with the past history of the Parish Church.

Finally in 1946 he was able to have printed by the Oxford University Press the 85 page book on Pebmarsh Church together with 19 interesting plates, a very worthy and lasting memento to a past Rector.

Instigator of the move to retain the Church School in the Parish following the 1944 Education Act, he was mainly responsible for the village effort in raising over £1000, in the early 1950's towards a new school building.

Due to long and protracted deliberations and negotiations between the various bodies involved, the present Primary School was not built until 1966, but it is pleasing to remember that the Rev. Bayley travelled from Chichester to be present at the formal opening and blessing by the Bishop of Chelmsford in September of that year.

An authority on Church Law's procedure his scrupulous handling and recording of both ecclesiastical and parochial matters has left for posterity a visible and desirable standard to be achieved as well as a lucid record for historians.

Prior to relinquishing the Incumbency of Pebmarsh in 1957, he had made and erected near the village centre at his own expense, the outstanding OAK "Fitz Ralph" emblomed parish name sign.

The funeral and burial took place at East Lavant Church on Friday March 13th and among the floral tributes was one from his friends in Pebmarsh.

Our condolences are extended to his two sisters, Mrs Neave and her family and Miss Joan Bayley.

During the same evening a quarter muffled peal of Plain Bob Major was rung in Pebmarsh Church Bells as a tribute to a late Rector, by Messrs Arnold (Conductor), T. Bird, V. Buttle, R. Rippingale, G. Trendell and C. Weavers.

**Any interesting posts/articles on Pebmarsh from yesteryear?
Please send to Luke Brown (Lhwbrown@hotmail.co.uk)**

Pebmarsh Village Hall Events

Mondays	Dog training club - 17.15 - 21.00 Wendy Beard 0730519560
Tuesdays	Pilates and Yoga - 09.45 - 10.30 Jade Gooding - https://pilatesandyogawithjade.com/ Ladies Club - 12.30 - 15.00 Every 2nd Tuesday in the Sandra Beaney Committee Room
Wednesdays	Adult dance exercise class - 19.00 - 20:00 Kim Richardson - dance.kimrichardson@gmail.com
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Hedingham Medical Centre



The Castle Hedingham surgery: 01787 461465. The surgery is open from 11.00 - 13.00 and 14.00 - 18.00 Monday to Friday to collect pre-ordered prescriptions. Their website is www.hedmed.co.uk.

Out-of-hours appointments will be available from 6.30pm to 8pm on weekdays, and from 9am to 5pm on Saturdays.

An out-of-hours appointment might not be at your regular GP surgery. When you book an appointment, you will be told where the appointment will be.

Local Information

Local Women's Running Group: laurabloom@btinternet.com or on 07801 749802

Local Libraries: Halstead and Sible Hedingham Libraries, libraries.essex.gov.uk.

Four Parishes Book Group: Alison Cantor. 01787 462537 or acantor56@outlook.com

Sudbury Area Cancer Support Group: Ruth Worsley on ruth-SACSG@outlook.com

The U3A Halstead: u3asites.org.uk/halstead/welcome

The U3A Sudbury: u3asites.org.uk/sudbury/home

U3A Braintree: u3asites.org.uk/braintree/events

Halstead & District Photographic Society: www.halsteadphoto.org.uk

Gestingthorpe History Society: www.gestingthorpehg.co.uk

Community Agents; Community-based support for an ageing population: www.communityagentsessex.org.uk.

The Empire Theatre Halstead: www.empire-theatre.co.uk

Halstead and District Local History Society: www.halsteadhistory.org.uk.

The Hedingham Singers: Bob Lilley on 07790 573435 or www.thehedinghamsingers.com/.

Sudbury Newstalk: www.sudburynewstalk.co.uk or 01787 468535.

Clare Bridge Club: <https://www.bridgewebs.com/clare/>

Village Emergency Telephone Service (VETS)

VETS provide support when a defibrillator is required although the first action must be a 999 call. The telephone numbers of the village VETS are:

Little Maplestead 01787 852252
Gestingthorpe 01787 852850

Neighbourhood Watch representatives

Gestingthorpe	Helen Skerratt	01787 237297
Great Maplestead	Ian Johnson	01787 461109
Little Maplestead	Bill Piper	01787 473933

Parish Council Websites

Gestingthorpe	www.gestingthorpepc.co.uk
Great Maplestead	www.greatmaplesteadpc.co.uk
Little Maplestead	www.littlemaplesteadpc.co.uk
Pebmarsh	www.parishcouncil.pebmarsh.com

Local & National Authority Representatives

Essex County Council

Councillor Peter Schwier - cllr.peter.schwier@essex.gov.uk

Braintree District Council

Great and Little Maplestead

Councillor Peter Schwier - cllr.pschwier@braintree.gov.uk

Gestingthorpe

Councillor Wendy Scattergood - cllr.wscattergood@braintree.gov.uk

Pebmarsh

Councillor George Courtauld - cllr.gcourtauld@braintree.gov.uk

Councillor Gabrielle Spray - cllr.gspray@braintree.gov.uk

Westminster

James Cleverly MP - james.cleverly.mp@parliament.uk

The Churchwardens serving our Benefice are

Great Maplestead	Gill Peskett	01787 462786	gillpeskett43@gmail.com
	Jill Newton	01787 463893	gilliannewton4@gmail.com
Little Maplestead			
Gestingthorpe	Alice Nolda	01787 469688	-
	Peter Nice	01787 460126	peter.427nice@btinternet.com
Pebmarsh	Jim Crayston	07957870340	jim@craystonfarms.co.uk
	Sarah Burgess	01787 269092	sarahburgess@btinternet.com

All the April Church Services around our Parishes

2nd Palm Sunday We begin our service at **10am** in the **Round Church, Little Maplestead**, then walk (if able) to **St Giles** to continue our service at **10:45**. Followed by refreshments.

Monday 3rd	7pm Compline	@ Little Maplestead.
Tuesday 4th	7pm Compline	@ Gestingthorpe.
Wednesday 5th	7pm Compline	@ Pebmarsh.
Maundy Thursday 6th	7.30pm Holy Communion	@ Great Maplestead.
Friday 7th Good Friday	2pm The Last Hour	@ Gestingthorpe.
Sunday 9th Easter Sunday	10am Holy Communion	@ Great Maplestead.
Sunday 16 th	10am Team Service Holy Communion	St Andrew's, Earls Colne.
	10:30 Café Church	Great Maplestead.
Wed 19 th	10am BCP Holy Communion	Gestingthorpe.
Sunday 23 rd	9:30 Holy Communion	Great Maplestead.
	9:30 Morning Prayer	Little Maplestead.
	11am Morning Worship	Pebmarsh.
	4pm Compline	Gestingthorpe.
Sunday 30 th	10:30 Team Service Holy Communion	St Andrew's, Halstead.
	3pm Bluebell Service	Wiggery Wood, Gestingthorpe.

HAPPY EASTER!

