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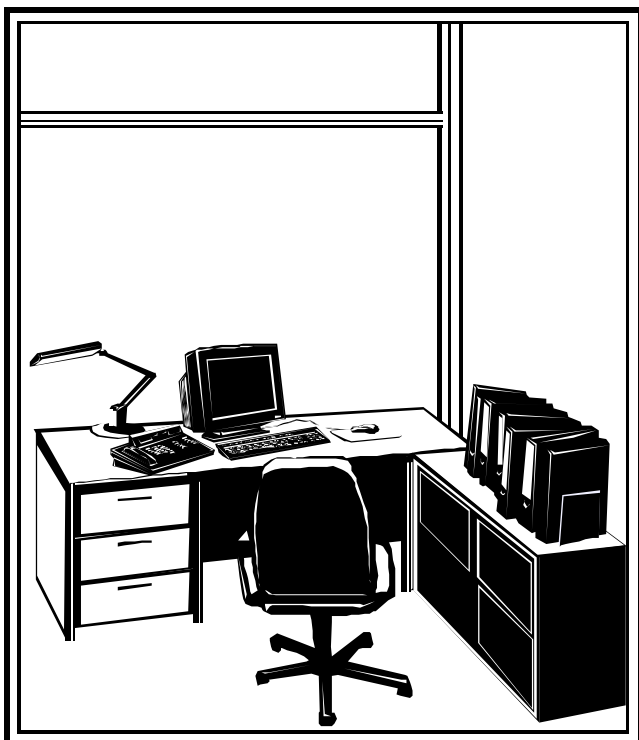
While waiting for a volunteer to step forward to fill the Editor's role, I am temporarily filling the gap. Until we know who the next Editor will be, please continue to send articles and adverts to me at karen.plumridge@btinternet.com or 2 Clinton Close.

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Karen Plumridge, Acting Editor 400628



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This year's **Village Tidy-up** is scheduled for Saturday, **3rd. May**. Volunteers are asked to meet at the Village Hall car park at **9am**. Gloves, sacks and litter-pickers will be provided. In recent years we have had perfect weather so it has been a pleasure to have an excuse to be out in the spring sunshine. Why not join us?

The last **Manned Refuse Vehicle** visit to the Village Hall car park was on 16th. February. Chelmsford Borough Council is currently reviewing the service so details of what is to happen in the financial year starting on 1st. April are awaited. Please keep an eye on the PC's website and noticeboards for further information. In the meantime you can take your bulky items of household refuse to the civic amenity site at South Woodham, which from March to September will be open every day from 8am until 5pm.



Planning ahead, a **Summer Play Activity Day** has been booked for Wednesday **6th. August**. This will be for children aged up to 11 years, and will take place at the Village Hall. Sports activities for children aged 6-14 years have been booked for two days in the Easter

holidays and one day during the Whitsun half term holiday. Confirmation of the dates is awaited. Children at the local schools will receive notice of the dates nearer the time, and of course they will be posted on the website as soon as they are known.



An initial meeting has been held on the **Community-led Planning** topic. A field officer from the Rural Community Council of Essex introduced the subject and explained what parish planning entails and a planning officer from Chelmsford Borough Council went into more detail about Village Design Statements. It was well attended with those present expressing interest in getting a project underway, and at the time of writing we are waiting for the field officer to come back to help set up an official parish planning group complete with a constitution, a committee and a bank account. If you would like to be involved please get in touch. Representatives from village groups as well as interested individuals will be welcome.

PC Meetings continue on the **fourth Thursday** of the month, although there will be exceptions later in the year when the August and November Meetings will be on the third Thursday and the December Meeting on the second Thursday. These dates are all on the Village Diary on the website and on PC's noticeboards.

Meetings are open to the public, and time is set aside for public participation shortly after each meeting opens, so that you can comment on an item on the Agenda or bring an issue to the Council's attention. If you have an issue that would require a decision from the Council please send it to me in writing, email is acceptable, at least a week before the Meeting so that it can be included in the Agenda. Councillors are keen to hear from anyone who has a comment on a local planning application, particularly from neighbours of the property concerned, as this helps the Council form its response to the planning authority, so please let the Council know your reaction: a copy of your response to the Borough Council would be helpful.

Karen Plumridge, Clerk to the Council 400628
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BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S MESSAGE

Do you want the good news first? At last our village design statement or parish plan meeting which ever we choose to work towards is starting to come together. It was great to see so many people attending the first meeting and all keen to move forward. The mood was enthusiastic and peoples' ideas were inspiring to hear. If you want to be involved, contact Karen.

Speed watch is another success story and Tony Lees deserves all our thanks for his work on this front. I have been involved in trying to widen the volunteer structure to provide back up for the scheme. Community involvement encourages people to change their mind set about safe driving and from this we can all develop better habits.

Bad news is that the Lottery Commission cannot fund our Community Suite. We must fight on after all the hard work and commitment: it should be a goal and not just a dream.



Finally the 'leaked ' plans for Chelmsford Town Centre show that we can enjoy village community with ever improving facilities for day and night time economies just up the road!

Problems or ideas? Contact me anytime.

Best Wishes to all
Mike Harris
Borough Councillor.

EAST HANNINGFIELD PRE-SCHOOL

The children are enjoying being back at pre-school after the Christmas break. There are a few new faces, but we still have room for more!



Our fundraising efforts begin this year with an **Indoor Boot Fair** at the Village Hall on Saturday 5th April. We will be selling nearly new children's clothes & toys. All donations are gratefully received.

East Hanningfield Pre-School, registered charity 267508, runs at the Village Hall 09:15 to 11:45 Monday to Thursday during the school term. The pre-school is open to children aged 2½ to 5 years old. Sessions currently cost £7 for those under 3, & children are funded by the government from the term after their 3rd birthday.

Jenny Ash, Secretary

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Crime in the village is still on the increase, so please report anything suspicious either to myself on **07968112179** or to the Police direct on **07711147171** or in an emergency dial 999.

Bicycles were recently stolen from unlocked sheds and garages in The Tye and the village hall was broken into and further damage caused. Also bicycles were stolen from a **locked** garage in Highfields Mead. Where possible, when cars are parked on driveways, we suggest parking them as close to garage doors as may be possible.

Whilst professional thieves were probably involved with the thefts, the wanton vandalism was no doubt caused by bored teenagers out of control. It's a pity that some parents are quite happy to allow their children to roam the streets mindlessly at night, but this is a national problem.

Other crimes are not reported and without such information the Police are blind and detection impossible. Also one incident could be linked to another, so please inform the Police about any incidents or anything suspicious as quickly as possible.

Please also watch out for bogus callers and distraction burglaries. A distraction burglary is where somebody purports to be a representative of the Council, Police or a service provider and attempts to gain access. Meantime an accomplice might attempt to enter by your back door.

Geoff Dickman, East Hanningfield village co-ordinator

HANNA'S TOTS

Hanna's Tots enjoyed a hectic Christmas party, with lots of games & delicious food, but things have settled down once again now the New Year is here. We have used the proceeds from our Christmas fundraising efforts to buy a new activity dome, which is very popular with both toddlers & older children.

We are looking forward to the advent of the warmer weather, so that we can dust off all the tricycles & other ride-ons.



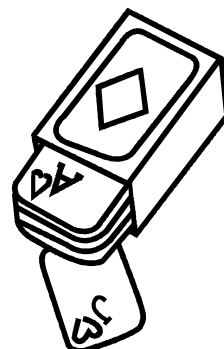
If you would like to come along to a session, Hanna's Tots runs at the village hall every Friday morning, from 09:30 to 11:30, for children under 5 & their parents / carers. We are also open in the school holidays, when older siblings are welcome to join in too. We have a vast array of toys to play with in the hall, in addition to those available on loan in our toy library. Other equipment is also available for hire, including a travel cot (ideal for grandparents expecting visitors) and a small bouncy castle.

Jenny Ash 400090

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EAST HANNINGFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

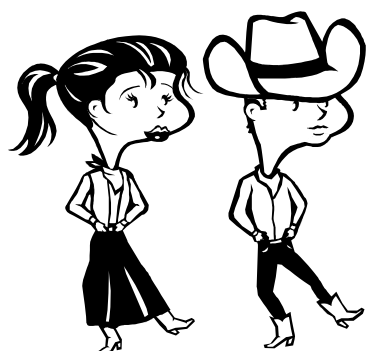


Thank you for your support at the various school Christmas events.



The football team started the year with their first win of the season.

Last year we started a gymnastics club which has become very popular with the children and they are soon to enter their first competition.



The PTA have organised a **Family Western Night** with a professional caller for Saturday, 1st March in the Village Hall. Tickets are £5 adult, £3 child or £15 family ticket (2 adults and 3 children). No unaccompanied children under 16. Tickets are available through the school office.

Linda Findlay

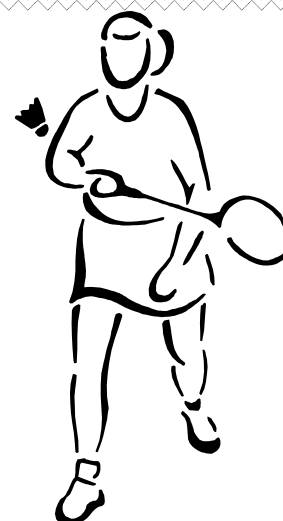
WOULD YOU like to play Badminton in our Village Hall, on Monday afternoons, for FUN and EXERCISE?

Not competitive!

If you have never played – give it a try! We have spare racquets if required. You need trainers and comfortable clothes.

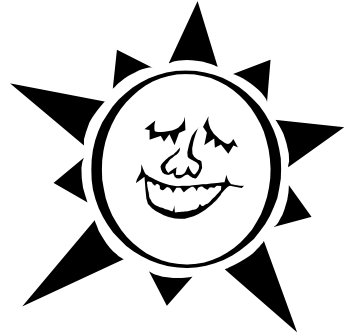
The cost is approx £1.50 per person per hour.

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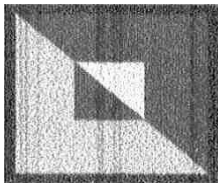


VILLAGE FETE 2008

Now that you have your diaries and calendars for 2008, there's no excuse for not making a note of the date -**September 13th** – of this year's fete. Plans and preparations are now underway. We have some very welcome new faces on the committee, but there is still room for anyone who feels he/she can take on an active role in the organisation and running of the fete. Our next meeting is on Monday 17th March at 8.30pm, in the village hall upstairs meeting room. Or, if you have suggestions or ideas to put forward, just contact the number below.



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Well, here we are, well into 2008 and as I write the weather is lovely.

Now, I need to give you an update on our meeting times. In January it is at lunch time, 12-30pm. In August we have a garden meeting at a member's home at 2.30pm and in December we meet on the second Wednesday at 2pm, in our hall, and all other months it is the third Wednesday at 2pm in our hall. If you are thinking of joining us, always give me a ring.



We will be holding our **Charity Coffee Morning** on Wednesday, 9th. April at

10.30am.

Hoping to meet you,

Lilian Crace 400288 &
Bea Rice 400597.



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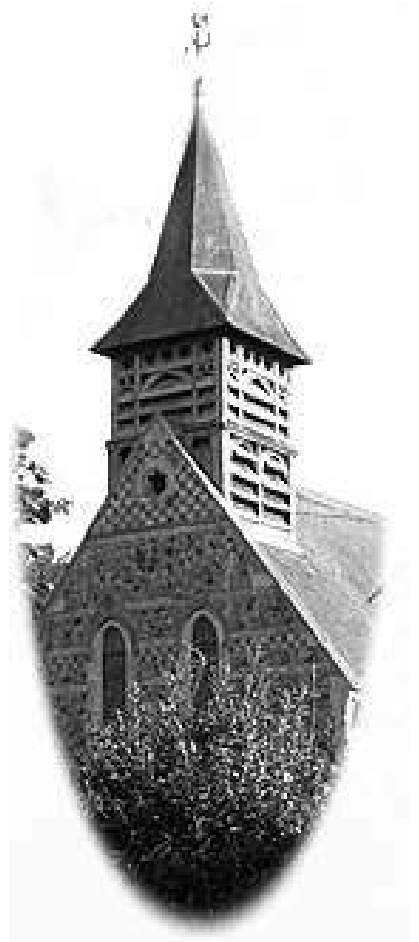
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ALL SAINTS' - News from the parish church

All Saints' church has many faithful servants. Not least among them is the treasurer. Unfortunately, Richard Huke, who has held this position for several years, has indicated that he will not be able to stand for re-election at this year's annual meeting. Richard has been most efficient and immensely supportive. Indeed, in recent months he has led the church on to a much sounder footing than it has felt for years through his energetic work for the TRIO campaign – The Responsibility Is Ours. We are very grateful for Richard's contribution to the life of our church. Thank you, Richard.



Just over eight years ago I came to East Hanningfield as priest-in-charge. Cynics might say 'We haven't noticed'! It hasn't been easy for either parishioners or me not having a priest actually living in the village. But that's the way of the world today. The Church of England can no longer afford the luxury of a priest in every parish. In a sense I have been very fortunate to have responsibility for only two parishes. Goodness knows how I would have coped with three or more, as some of my colleagues are expected to do.

The time has come for me to hang up my stole. I shall be retiring in May and my last Service at All Saints will be on Sunday 4th. During the past eight years I have endeavoured to serve the parish as best I could. I could have done better, of course. I am aware of that. But I wish the parish well for the future, and will continue to pray for it.

Meanwhile, I hope and trust that many who live in the village will do all they can to support the worship and work of its parish church. Kate, our Reader, is unable to commit herself here any longer because she has to concentrate on her training for ordination. We thank her for her work here and wish her well in her vocation. However, we are indeed fortunate to have Revd Ann Kosla able to help for a few hours each week and with one Sunday Service per month. Ann is a midwife, and therefore her time in the parish will be limited. But we welcome her and have already benefitted from her enthusiasm and kindness.

We are entering a period of change at All Saints. With change comes opportunity. I trust that, with God's help, and with your prayers, the future of this parish church will be bright and joyful.

Keith R Plaister
(Priest-in-charge)

Following Keith's announcement of his intention to retire from full time ministry in May, members of the PCC met with the Bishop of Bradwell, Laurie Green on 30 January to discuss the vacancy and beyond. As a result of Keith's retirement the Bishop has asked the Rural Dean to look at the current distribution of clergy within the Deanery and to recommend any changes that might be necessary. The PCC has been asked to contribute to this process and will be meeting with the Rural Dean shortly.

It is expected that there will be quite a long period before a new clergy appointment can be made for East Hanningfield, but during this time (known as "The Interregnum") it is planned to maintain the same or similar pattern of services. In addition to help from Ann, the PCC is busy booking a number of other clergy to take our services. Certainly there will always be a Sunday service at 11.15 am at All Saints, the Church on The Tye, to which you will be warmly welcome! Watch this space!

Thank you Keith

So much for the future, but for the present we thank Keith for his considerable contribution to All Saints' Church and the life of the Parish over the past eight years. We wish Keith and Heike everything that they would wish for themselves and, with God's help, a long and happy retirement.

Thank you also...

To all who supported the Christmas Bazaar on 17 November, which raised the magnificent total of £930. Also we were pleased that so many people supported and enjoyed the Christingle Service on 2 December, which raised £211.41 for the work of the Children's Society.

Coming up...

Saturday 1 March – Tools with a mission. How about spring cleaning your shed, loft or workshop? You have a chance to dispose of any unwanted tools to this charity who will clean and refurbish them and send them out to places in Africa to enable people there to make a living. **'Your unwanted tools are another's lifeline.'** The collection takes place at St Andrew's Room, North Hill, Little Baddow on Saturday, 1 March between 10 am and 12 noon. Traidcraft goods will be on sale and coffee and tea will be served. Further information on what is required can be had from Elisabeth Bourn on 01245 223183.

Thursday 10 April – The Annual Church Meeting will be held from 8pm in the upstairs room in the Village Hall. Everybody is welcome to attend this meeting. Those on the church electoral roll have voting rights when it comes to choosing next year's church officers.

Easter Services - Here comes a very early Easter! Please note the following services to which all are warmly invited, and for your guidance - *Some services use modern language taken*

from Common Worship (**CW**). Others are traditional, taken from the Book of Common Prayer (**PB**):-

2 nd March	11.15 am	Family Service for Mothering Sunday (CW). Posies for Mum and light refreshments afterwards for all
9th	8 am	Holy Communion (PB)
	11.15 am	Matins (PB) for Passion Sunday
16th	11.15 am	Holy Communion (CW) (Shorter form) for Palm Sunday
20th	8 pm	At St Andrews, Sandon Holy Communion for Maundy Thursday
21st	12 noon	The Liturgy of the Cross for Good Friday
23rd	11.15 am	Holy Communion (CW) for Easter Day
30th	11.15 am	Matins (PB) for 2 nd Sunday of Easter

Services in April will follow the usual pattern:

1 st Sunday	11.15 am	Family Service (CW)
2 nd Sunday	8 am	Holy Communion (PB)
	11.15 am	Matins (PB)
3 rd Sunday	11.15 am	Holy Communion (CW) (Shorter form)
4 th Sunday	11.15 am	Holy Communion (CW)

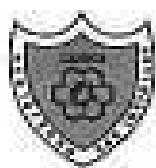
Followed by

4 th May	11.15 am	Rev'd Keith Plaister's last service (a Family Service) at All Saints before his retirement after 42 years in the Anglican ministry. Please come along and give Keith a good send-off. After the service, there will be a combined farewell barbeque lunch at St Andrew's, Sandon.
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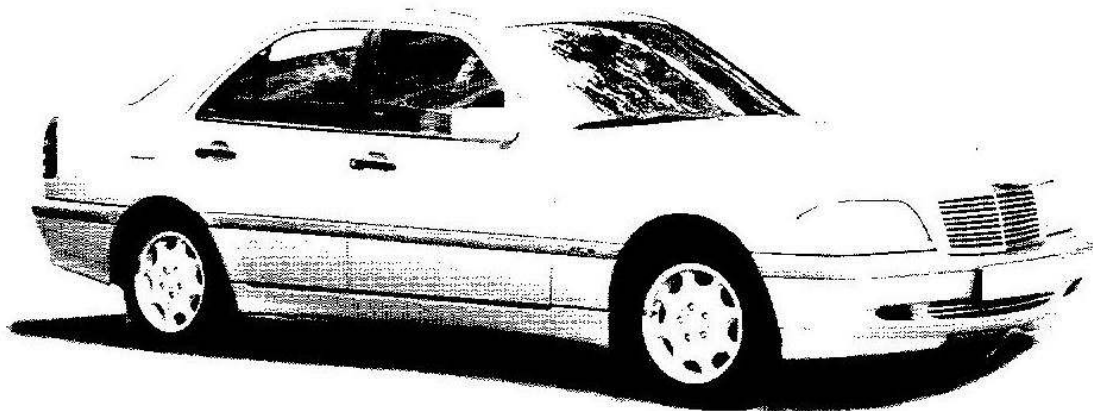
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HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY

We have now heard from the National Lottery that our bid for funding for the development of the community suite in the Village Hall has been unsuccessful. This is a big disappointment after the effort put in by several of the Charity Trustees. We are considering how we can best proceed to fulfill this village need.

On 5th April we will be holding an indoor boot sale to raise funds for the Village Hall and other village charities. The annual village art show will take place on the 18th & 19th July. Please put both these events in your diary along with the village fete which will take place on 13th September. More information about the charity can be found on our website which is part of the Parish Council website (see below).

The Hanna's Field Charity Committee is always looking for new members to join the Committee and assist in the running of the Village Hall and sports facilities. If you would like to find out more about the Charity please contact me or any member of the committee. The Charity's AGM will take place on 30th April when a new committee will be elected. Villagers are particularly welcome both to attend the meeting and to seek election as trustees.

The large hall, small hall, meeting room, sports field and sports courts/tennis court are available for bookings which can be made via Dawn Mills on 01245 400906. Please make use of the facilities which are available at a discounted rate to villagers.

Colin Warren, Chairman 01245 401050

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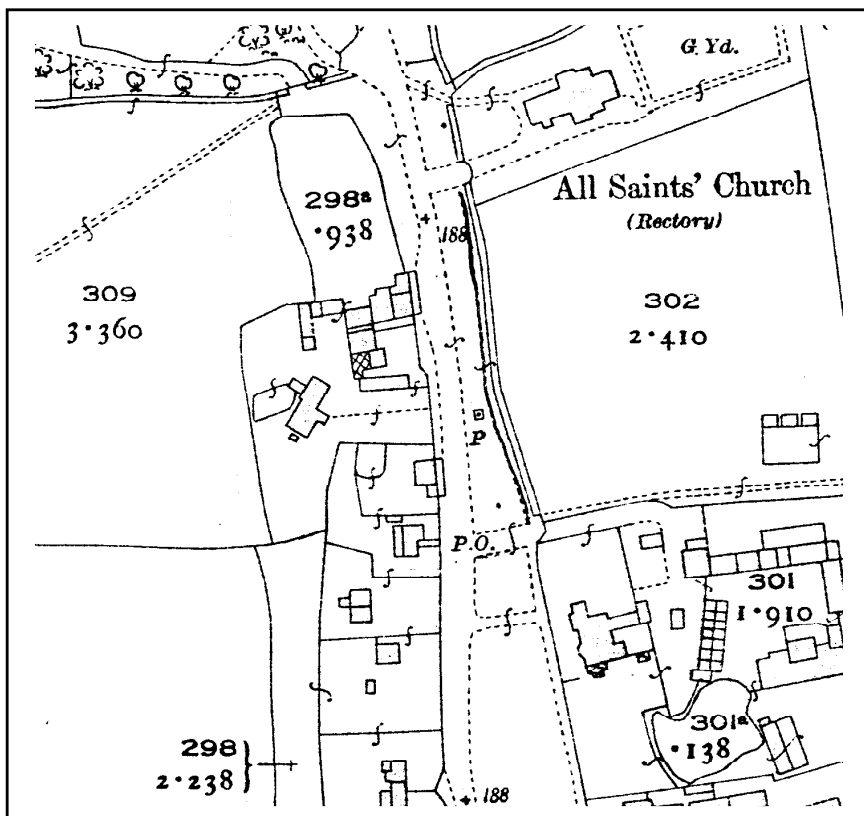
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the Tye is identified by a "P". Field 309 is now the School.

INDOOR BOOT FAIR

**Saturday
5 April
11 am -
3pm**



There are still some tables available for hire at £5 each. If you are interested please contact Iris Evans on 01245 401460.

Organised by Hanna's Field Charity