

Parish News

Great Waltham Ford End Howe Street Littley Green North End

May 2018

Parish Annual Assembly - 23rd May

A message from Mike Steele: Thank you to all the organisations that responded in regard of your contact details.

A shortened version has been added to the Annual Report which will be delivered to all households prior to the Annual Assembly on the 23rd May.

As usual, you are invited to speak on behalf of your organisation, at the Assembly, if you wish.

If you do, I would ask that you let myself and the Clerk know in advance and that you keep it fairly succinct (depending on the number of organisations that wish to speak!) It would also help the Clerk with the minutes of the meeting, if you could let the Clerk have a written version in advance.

Please remember, the Annual Assembly is being held this year at **Ford End Village Hall** on **Wednesday 23rd May 2018**.

If you are unable to attend, but want to submit something to be read out, please send to myself and the Clerk in advance of the meeting. clerk@greatwalthamparishcouncil.co.uk and mike.2.steel@btinternet.com

Opportunities for Community Funding

During 2017/18 the County Council launched three separate initiatives that give local communities access to funding to make improvements in their local area:-

- 1. The Local Connections Fund** - £500,000 committed to support community-led activity, using a crowdfunding platform known as The **Essex Crowd Movement**.
<https://www.spacehive.com/movement/theessexcrowd>
- 2. The Local Services Fund** - £500,000 to support more formal, traditional services by being more locally responsive and to improve local places.
<http://www.ealc.gov.uk/local-services-fund/>
- 3. The Essex Lottery**— The lottery is open to anybody aged 16 or over who is physically based in Essex. Tickets cost £1 and the Jackpot can be £25,000.
www.essexlottery.co.uk

If you are struggling to attract funding, visit funding database Essex for Communities, which can help you find suitable grant funding opportunities.
www.idoxopen4community.co.uk/essexcommunity

John Aldridge CC



Great fun was had at The Happening in Great Waltham Parish Church on Good Friday.

Galvin Green Man Wins Best Pub in Essex

For the second year running, Galvin Green Man has been announced as the winner of the Best Pub in the county by the National Pub & Bar Awards 2018. It now through to the East of England and National finals, due to be announced on the 23rd May. Said Chris Galvin: "I am really proud of the team, to win this for the second year running is a real achievement as there are so many great pubs in the county. We are lucky to have a great team and great customers. I am so happy that we have won this for my home county of Essex."

RUFFLED BY GRACE



I am in the middle of sorting arrangements for a flurry of weddings at the moment. I love marrying couples! It is such a joy to share in their special day and help make it a memorable and beautiful occasion. I like to do my bit to ensure that it is a day bursting with joy. A wedding is a wonderful celebration of love – but it is just the wedding day and the marriage comes afterwards.

At the wedding couples make a solemn vow to support and be there for each other always. When we prepare for the day couples are often surprised that they don't say 'I DO' but 'I WILL'. The declarations and vows taken in marriage are a public decision to love. It's a decision that the couple will need to remind themselves of every day - I will love you however easy or hard our circumstances ; I will love you even when it may be the hardest thing to do; I will love you even when I don't feel like it!

The marriage vows remind me of what it is like to have faith in God. I think faith, like falling in love, is something we at first feel, then we have to make a decision to hold to throughout our lives 'I WILL believe'. Life, like marriage, is often extremely hard with some rough paths to tread. We can fall and fail because we are all human. That's when we need to draw deep and remember what touched us to believe that we are part of a greater story- that there is something holding us that is so great we really can't fully understand it this side of life. And that something is a great well of Love that we can trust and that will never desert us.

I recently became friends with Revd Michelle who is a wedding pastor in Paris. Almost her whole ministry is taken up marrying people or helping them to renew their vows in the shadow of the Eiffel Tower. What a joy that must be! Her company is called 'Ruffled By Grace'. That is my prayer for me and for you. That no matter how hard life might feel sometimes, no matter how often we fall or fail, we will be ruffled by God's grace and always be reminded that we are held in that overflowing unending Love.

Revd Sandra Sykes
Associate Priest



Church of England Services May 2018

Sunday 6th May 10.30am Rogation Grays Farm, Chignal Smealey
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Sunday 13th May 8.00am Traditional Communion Great Waltham
9.30am Communion Ford End
11.00am Family Service Great Waltham

Sunday 20th May 9.30am Communion Ford End
11.00am Communion Great Waltham
11.00am Communion Chignals

Sunday 27th May 9.30am Family Service Ford End
11.00 Communion Great Waltham

Contact: Alison Bates Parish Administrator

Tel: 07957 228467

admin@littleandgreat.org.uk

Services and Events at Blackchapel, North End

MAY

Sun. 6 th	Family Worship	P Hamilton	
Sun. 13 th	Holy Communion (bcp)	Rev T Pigrem	
Wed 16 th	Prayer Meeting	Schoolroom	8pm
Sun. 20 th	Holy Communion (cw)	Rev S Bazlinton	
Sun. 27 th	Morning Worship (cw)	J Turton	

bcp = Book of Common Prayer; cw = Common Worship

Services start at 10.00 unless otherwise stated

Enquiries: contact P Hamilton on 01371 820095

Services & Events at Lt Waltham United Reformed Church May 2017

Contact: Rev Chris Kemshall 07764 936803

Services 10.30am each Sunday – Sunday School during Morning worship

May 6th Rev Geoffrey Griggs 228th Anniversary Service Bring & Share
Lunch

May 13th Marina Price Messy Church 10am 6.30pm Rev Geoffrey Griggs
HC

May 20th Charles de Lacy

May 27th Rev Geoffrey Griggs HC Thursday

May 3rd Gossip & Guzzle 11am - 1.00pm

Thursday May 10th Pippins Parent & Toddler Group 9.30am - 11am

Saturday May 19th Coffee Morning in School Room 10am

News from Great Waltham C of E VC Primary School

The children have returned to school after their Easter break refreshed and ready for the busy summer term. The weather seems to have finally turned more spring / summer like too. We look forward to sharing news items with you this term.

Before Easter, we said goodbye and good luck to Mrs Mear. She has retired from her role as LSA at Great Waltham School. A dedicated, intelligent and caring and lady who always put the children first and had given countless hours of help to the school beyond her working hours.

KS1 loved their Great Fire of London topic in the spring term. They enjoyed the Fire Service visit too to learn about fire safety. 'History off the Page' visited KS1 in March to bring our Great Fire of London topic to life through 'hands on' experiences. The children 'travelled back in time' to 1666 where they visited many shops to learn about jobs in this time period and also had the opportunity to make different items. Some of the shops they visited were the chandler, weaver, seamstress and perfumery. They also became archaeologists by digging up items from the past and deciding where they came, who might have owned them and what happened.

It was a fun-filled day which really brought the Great Fire of London to life for the children and hopefully it will be a day they remember for a very long time!

The Easter Service at church was full of joy and thanks for the message Easter portrays. All the classes made contributions with KS2 children combining to tell us the Easter Story.

There was a great performance from the school netball team who came 2nd in a 16 team tournament and have qualified for the Chelmsford Schools Finals.

The football team played a friendly against The Cathedral School. The game was played in a great spirit and both teams contributed to a fast, open game on a rather small pitch, we were triumphant by a score of 4-2.



Let the talking bench take you back in time

During May, the recordings on the talking bench at Banbury Square will be changed to reminiscences about schooldays at Great Waltham Primary and about how World War 2 impacted on the village. Take a few moments to sit in the sunshine and listen.

A reminder – there are 3 recordings on each button. To start listening, press **either** button. When the first recording stops, press the same button twice to hear the next recording and three times to hear the third recording. When you have heard all three recordings on that button, press the **other** button. Then follow the same steps to hear



Walthambury WI

Ho-de-Ho was our response to our speaker at our April meeting when he greeted us with Hi-de-Hi. This was David Webb who played one of the twins in the TV series Hi-de-Hi. David regaled us with stories of the other actors in the series and showed some hilarious video clips. The producers of the series wanted to use a Butlin's holiday camp but, as they refused, a Warners camp was used instead.

Our Parklands group meeting is on Wednesday 30 May at 7pm for 7.30pm in Broomfield Village Hall. The speaker that evening will be Steve Scruton who is a presenter on BBC Essex Radio. There will also be a Trustee talk from the charity Sanctus and Walthambury WI have raised funds to donate food to this very worthwhile organisation.

Our annual meeting is on 8 May and we shall be discussing the National Federation of WIs resolutions. Our meetings start at 8.0pm and are held in the Legion Hall in Great Waltham and we welcome visitors.

Ford End Senior Tea

The next tea will be held on Monday 21st May at 2.00pm at Woodstock, Church Lane, Ford End. Anyone interested or who has not been before, please ring Sheila Bearman on 01245 237335 or 07977 077945

Ford End Dance Lessons

Wednesday 2nd May and our summer dance on Wednesday 16th May plus provisional date of Wednesday 23rd May.

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Great Waltham Church

SAT 5TH & SUN 6TH MAY

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Time: Sat. 11.30 - 4.30pm Sun. 12.00 - 4.30pm

Entrance: £1 with Coffee, Tea & Cakes available to purchase.

More Info: 360149

May Day Family Fun

Galvin Green Man

MON 7TH MAY

Come along and join the fun between 11.30 am - 6.00 pm.

With something for all the family including Morris & Maypole Dancers, the Chelmer Duck Race, a Beer Tent (Nethergate & Trumans) plus a Hog Roast & BBQ. Entry is Free.

More Info: 408820

Jill & The Beanstalk Panto

Great Waltham Village Hall

FRI 11TH & SAT 12TH MAY

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Time: Doors open 7pm for curtains up @ 7.45 pm Licensed Bar

More Info: 362267

Village Royal Wedding Celebration

Great Waltham Legion Hall

SAT 19TH MAY

Doors open at 11.30 am for viewing of the Royal Wedding on our Big Screen at Noon. This will be followed by a Prince & Princess Fancy Dress Competition with top prizes (children & adult categories). Everybody is then invited to join us for a High Tea Buffet fit for a King!

The Legion Bar will be open during the afternoon and into the evening.

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More Info: 360287

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More Info: 360359

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MON 28TH MAY

Proceeds towards the World Challenge Trip for Ryan and Lois.

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The Frog Island Jazz Band

Great Waltham Legion Hall

FRI 1ST JUNE

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More Info: 360287

BBQ & Live Music in the Garden

Galvin Green Man

Join us for an evening of food & music at the Green Man BBQ
Food served from 6.30 pm with live music from Jamie McGuire at 7 pm

SUN 3RD JUNE

More Info: 408820

Waltham Seekers Concert

Ford End Village Hall

A nostalgic trip back to the 60's with a concert of some of the best popular folk songs of the era plus a 60's music quiz to test your memory!

Doors Open at 7.15pm for a 7.45pm start. Licensed Bar

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FRI 8TH JUNE

More Info: 07736 965286

Beehive 'Live Band' Night

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Live Music from 'The Nook' covering songs from the 50's to present day.

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SAT 9TH JUNE

More Info: 361724

Amavi Concert

Great Waltham Church

A concert of fantasias, madrigals and verse anthems for voices and viols by Michael East featuring Chelys Viols and the Fieri Consort @ 7.30 pm

Tickets £16 (under 16s £10) from 360240 or on the door

SUN 10TH JUNE

More Info: 360240

Waltham Singers Concert

Great Waltham Church

Waltham Singers with the Orlando Consort present "Field of the Cloth of Gold" - an exploration of French and English music of the 16th century. Doors Open at 7pm

Tickets £16 / Concessions £14 available walthamsingers.org.uk or on the door.

Wine and light refreshments available afterwards in Village Hall

SAT 16TH JUNE

More Info: 440573

Legionstock Mini Music Festival

Great Waltham Legion Hall

Gt.Waltham's mini-music festival this year features eight live bands... so with a BBQ & 'Just the Jacket' to feed you, the Legion Bar to refresh you and 'hopefully' a nice summers day to warm your spirits... you can sit back and enjoy the music. Doors open at 1pm and close at 11pm.

Tickets: Adult £5 / Child £3 (5 to 12 years) / Under 5s Free

More Info: 360287

Murder at the Paris Opera Ballet

Murder Mystery Evening at Ford End Village Hall

Help Inspector Clueless identify the murderer in this cunning story of intrigue and deceit, with a cast of local actors. A great evening's entertainment guaranteed!

Doors open at 7pm for curtains up @ 7.45pm. Licensed Bar.

Tickets £15 which includes supper (no under 12s)

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SAT 23RD JUNE

Village Choir Concert

Great Waltham Church

Our Concert this year includes sparkling items from our Village Choir, Dance Projection, Little2Big Voices and more. An occasion not to be missed. Doors open at 7pm for a 7.30 Start

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SAT 30TH JUNE

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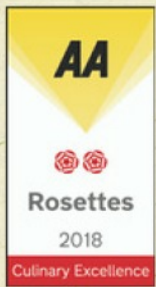
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For more information or to Enter any Lots please phone Keith Derry on 01245 36170 or Roger Bearman 01245 237335. All Proceeds will be donated to the purchase of new chairs in Great Waltham Church



Plans are going full steam ahead for the Society's Plant Sale on May 12. A variety of summer bedding plants, hardy perennials and vegetable seedlings will be ready and waiting for green-fingered gardeners.

Plant donations are also welcome, so if you have some spare, then please bring them along early.

And remember that the Hort Soc Hut at Brookmead Allotments is now open from 10am-11am every Sunday.

The Society is always looking for new members, so if you'd like to find out more, pop along to the Plant Sale and we'll tell you all about it.

Ford End Gardening Club

This is to update everyone on the Garden Club's summer activities.

On Monday 14 May we are visiting Easton Lodge and meeting there at 6.0pm. The cost of the tour of the garden is £6.50 including coffee and cake. Please contact Christine Hamilton (01371 820095) if you are interested in coming along.

Our June outing is to the garden of Beth Chatto at Elmstead Market and also Brian Wickenden's garden at St Osyth. Arrangements and details on this outing are still being formalised.

The annual barbecue is on Monday 9 July starting at 6.0pm and is being held in Christine Hamilton's garden.

All we need is plenty of sunshine for our summer programme and everything will be just perfect.

On the ball



Table Tennis has come to Great Waltham Recreation Ground and, having just helped to install the table, Will (Clerk) and Jason (GWPC Handyman), were the first to try it out.

Bats and balls will be left near the table for anyone to use, probably in a box fixed to the nearby fence. Feel free to use them and return them afterwards. We will look at putting some matting at either end to save wear on the ground.

Great Waltham Parish Community Care Group

The aim of the group is to provide short term and ongoing help to meet the needs of elderly local residents for whom there is no statutory provision.

Predominately this will involve providing transport to doctor or hospital appointments.

If you require the services of the group, please call our co-ordinators who are:

Sheila Gillies Tel. 01245 360570
Wendy Proctor Tel. 01245 360483
John Lattimore, Chairman
Tel. 01245 363818

Great Waltham Parish Council

Vacancy for a Parish Councillor

The council is looking at someone who is good at:

- Decision making
- Monitoring
- Getting involved

If you think this could be you and you are keen to get more involved in your community, please email clerk@greatwalthamparishcouncil.co.uk or call 01245 362638.

Little Waltham Gardening Club

Little Waltham Gardening Club 's Spring Show heralded the arrival of Spring and the beginning of the Gardening year. Despite the challenging weather so far this year, the Memorial Hall was filled with a colourful array of spring flowers and flower arrangements. The judges were impressed by the high standard of entries in all the classes, including flowers, flower arranging, vegetables, cookery craft and photography. There was an increased number of visitors who took advantage of the homemade cakes and the plant stall. Among the prize winners were: Marion Lawson. (Show organiser) who won awards for her narcissi, tulips and best entry in the Flower Arranging section. Hazel Clements won the Tulip Trophy while Maggie Williams won the cup for general garden flowers and another for highest points in the Flower Arranging section. Pip Wickham won the cup for the best entry in the general garden section. Jean Evans won the Cookery Shield but the best entry in the cookery section went to Bill Bryden who also won the Vegetable Shield. Keith Hatley won the cup for the highest points in the photography section and Marian Moore won the cup for highest points in the craft section. Peter Lawson won the best entry award in the craft section for his woodcarving of, (appropriately.), A Gardener. The Club next meets on Wednesday 2nd May, 7.30pm in Little Waltham Memorial Hall when Robin Carsberg will be giving a presentation entitled Plants for East Anglian Gardens. Visitors very welcome. For more information please contact M Williams (01245 360042).

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The following is a summary extract (by Mike Steel – Chairman) of the Parish Council meeting of **19th March 2018**. The full and approved minutes are published on the Parish Council Notice boards and at the Parish Website to www.greatwaltham.org.uk

Cllr Steel reported that Ford End Road Traffic Committee (FERTC) had produced a "hotspots" report which requested options from ECC for safety improvements. GWPC endorsed the report for action by ECC. Cllr Aldridge (representing ECC) acknowledge receipt of the report and will address.

Cllr Micklem tabled a number of changes to finance arrangements following the resignation of the RFO. These included account signatory tidy up, on line banking, dual authority, new format for the budget, payroll payment method change and also confirmation of annual return for Local Govt pension scheme.

Cllr Huggins, Community Network representative, raised a request to hold the Inter Pub Football tournament in May 2018, on the GW Recreation ground. Permission was granted. No objections were raised to the possible request for an alcohol licence for the day but the PC stipulated that any licence conditions must be followed. Following issues last year, the teams will play down the centre of the pitch.

It was reported that the designer, architect and planning consultant had met with residents of Howe Street at the Green man. The potential development for the adjacent field is for 15 mixed units and possibly a community centre. A second meeting is planned later in March

A paper was discussed concerning the move by Stansted Airport to increase the passenger capacity to 43m. Current cap is 35m. It was agreed that GWPC would write to Uttlesford Council to oppose the planning application.

A new Table tennis facility will be installed at the Great Waltham Recreation Ground on the 20th March. Bats and balls will be left nearby for free use.

The PC continue to look at options for a replacement Parish Office. Favoured option is a revamp of the Recreation Ground changing rooms to include office, meeting room and new changing facilities. Next step is to consult neighbours and to highlight at next Annual Assembly.

The next Parish Council will be held at GW Parish Office, **Monday 21st May 2018** commencing at 7.45pm; the Public and Press are welcome to attend. The agenda will be published on the Parish website and notice boards before the meeting.



**Inter-pub football
 tournament 2018**

Time for revenge!

This year's Great Waltham Community Network football tournament will be on Saturday May 26th starting at mid day at the Great Waltham Recreation Ground, it will see the Rose and Crown, the Walnut Tree, the Compasses and the Green Man trying to take the cup from last year's winners The Beehive. There will be a BBQ and refreshments so come along and support your local pub. If you have any questions contact Steve Huggins 07742304326.



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Great Waltham Royal British Legion
 Saturday 19th May - 11.30am

Join us as the nation celebrates the wedding of Prince Harry to Meghan Markle. Doors will open at 11.30am for the live screening of the wedding at noon on our BIG screen. Following this will be a buffet style high tea. Fancy dress is optional, but a prize will be awarded to the best Prince and Princess attire.

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