



MARGARETTING NEWS

JULY/AUGUST 2025

BENEFICE OF MARGARETTING, MOUNTNESSING AND BUTTSBURY CHURCH SERVICES

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH MARGARETTING

JULY

6th - NO SERVICE
13th - NO SERVICE
20th - 11:15am Patronal Service
27th - NO SERVICE

AUGUST

3rd - NO SERVICE
10th - NO SERVICE
17th - NO SERVICE
24th - NO SERVICE

ST. GILES'S CHURCH MOUNTNESSING

9:30am - Family Service
9:30am - Holy Communion
9:30am - Morning Prayer
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ST. MARY'S CHURCH BUTTSBURY

8:45am - Holy Communion
NO SERVICE
5:00pm - Sea Sunday
NO SERVICE

8:45am - Holy Communion
NO SERVICE
5:00pm - Evensong
NO SERVICE

Sunday 31st August at 10:30am there will be a BENEFICE SERVICE at Mountnessing

Everyone is very welcome to join us for any or all of our services

General enquiries and funerals: Timothy Lee (Focal Minister) - telephone 0778 778 3860

Weddings and baptisms: Revd Canon Lee Francis-Dehqani (Rector) - telephone 0782 766 8169

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

The proud parents and Godparents of Rose Suzie Bundock



Baptisms are occasions of great joy and celebration; a time to come together with family and friends. Rose Suzie was baptised and welcomed into the church family on Sunday 1st June 2025.



DIARY DATES

19th October
Sunday 11:15am
'Harvest Festival'

9th November
Sunday 10:45am
at the War Memorial
'Remembrance Sunday'

17th December
Wednesday 7:00pm
'Carol Service'
with mulled wine
and mince pies

STEVE WARR

It is with great sadness we share the news that Steve Warr died on Saturday, 21st June. In former times Steve was a Margaretting parish councillor (1992 to 1999); he became Chairman in 1997. Steve was also a member of a small group who organised social events for the village - he was well known for his humorous sketches performed jointly with his wife Liz.

Steve's friends and acquaintances agree he was much loved, a real gentleman, kind hearted, softly spoken, who back in the day, when Chris and Lynn were the licensees of The Black Bull, enjoyed a glass of whisky with his friends especially John Currie with whom he also shared his love of fly fishing.

Steve was a member of the Writtle Bowls Club. He was popular, respected, and very much a hands-on person whenever help was needed in the village. In 1987 the year of the 'great storm' Steve, with tractor and trailer, came to the rescue clearing trees in gardens. The village allotments thrived for years thanks to Steve who used to take his horse manure there.

Before retirement Steve was a lecturer in agricultural mechanisation and Head of Further Education at Writtle College.

Our thoughts are with Liz, family and friends.

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MARGARETTING PARISH COUNCIL

Items discussed at meetings are reported in this newsletter. Once the minutes have been agreed and signed by the parish council chairman a copy of the signed minutes is placed on the notice board outside the parish office at the village hall. The minutes can also be viewed on the parish council page of 'Margaretting.com' (Margaretting's community website). Should you wish to contact the clerk, or one of your parish councillors, their contact details are on the notice board outside the parish council office. You can also contact the parish council via email parishcouncil.margaretting@outlook.com

MAY AND JUNE MEETINGS

Planning applications received

23/00722/FUL - 1, Brookside, Main Road

Proposal: Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension with flat roof. New roof dormer to rear.

Planning decisions received

25/000321/FUL - Park Lodge Cottage, Writtle Road

Proposal: Erection of single storey side extension.

Application Refused

25/00251/CLOPUD - Willow Pond View, Maldon Road

Proposal: Demolish existing outbuilding and construct a new outbuilding.

Application Refused

25/00393/FUL - River Mead, Private Road

Proposal: Retrospective application for construction of car park.

Planning Permission Refused

24/00401/FUL - Hawthorns, Wantz Road

Proposal: Demolition of existing residential dwelling, commercial buildings and storage areas and construction of three detached dwellings.

Application Refused

23/01879/S73 - Margaretting Hall, Church Lane

Proposal: Variation of Condition 2 to approved planning permission 23/01879/FUL (Construction of a detached agricultural workers dwelling with linked cart lodge and store. Associated parking and amenity areas)

Minor alterations to fenestration.

Variation Approved

25/00499/FUL - Farthings, Pennys Lane

Proposal: Two storey side extension above existing footprint.

Planning Permission Granted

25/00637/FUL - Coppers, Pennys Lane

Proposal: Demolition of existing conservatory. Construction of single storey front, side and rear extensions. Addition of first floor balconies. Loft conversion with rear dormer. Internal and external alterations. Roof alterations to existing garage roof. Widening of existing driveway.

Planning Permission Granted

25/00273/FUL - Tandridge, Maldon Road

Proposal: Hip to gable loft conversion to create first floor. Two front dormers and rear box dormer. Internal alterations and alterations top fenestration. *Application Granted*

The following items were reported and/or discussed.

Community Fitness. A free fitness initiative programme .

Margaretting Tye. Resident led defibrillator project.

Maldon Road Playing Field. The field has been cut several times and is looking much better. ROSPA inspection highlighted a few problems which will be discussed on site.

Allotments. Vacant plots.

War Memorial Flagpole - new flag.

Company in Ivy Barn Lane to be contacted.

Whitesbridge Walkboards - removal.

Advice to be sought from Cllr Dobson.

Village Hall. Fire exit doors to be inspected. Water meter has been read - first time for a few years. More funds needed for projects. Money raised from coffee mornings to go towards redecorating the hall. Discussions taking place with two football teams regarding future use of the field. The cricket team has organised an independent cut of the grass before cricket matches.

Grass Cutting. Wallace Arb to be asked to do an extra cut of the verge from Peacocks down to the school.

Dog Waste Bins. The Tye, Maldon Road playing field and the one opposite the school are not being emptied regularly. Galleywood also experiencing same poor service.

Accounts.

Annual Audit. End of Year accounts were approved.

The following expenditure was agreed in May and June

Clear Insurance - £1,965 (annual insurance premium)

Wallace Arb. - £1,375 (village grass cutting)

Village Hall - £734 (contribution to insurance costs)

Clerk's Salary and Expenses - £545

TLC - £345 (village maintenance)

BT - £343 (village broadband)

ROSPA - £115 (safety checks on playground equipment)

.NEXT MEETING: Thursday 10 July at 7:30pm in the meeting room at the village hall. No meeting in August.

BUZZ IN THE CITY

A new art trail, Buzz in the City, will be held in Chelmsford from 5 July – 9 September. It will be free to follow using a printed map or mobile app. Organised by Farleigh Hospice to raise funds, it will feature 30 bees, and 6 mini bee swarms decorated with designs by local artists, including schools, youth, and community groups.

To find out more visit www.buzzinthecity.co.uk

MARGARETTING ALLOTMENTS

Whole or half allotments available for rent from the parish council. Email: parishcouncil.margaretting@outlook.com

MARGARETTING WHATSAPP

This is a community WhatsApp group for reporting and sharing information that affects all of us. To become a member please send one text to 07971 963 516; by return you will receive a text with the rules and you just need to reply to this with your name and address.

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

Cllr. Wallace (Chairman Margaretting Parish Council) reported on the past year and thanked the parish councillors for their involvement in the parish council.

There were no real changes in the village and some new projects had been taken on.

The A12 roadworks had been completed and the site that had been used next to the golf course has rapidly been turned back in to green fields.

Cllr Dobson (Essex County Councillor) outlined the 'Devolution' process and how it would affect budgeting in the future. She confirmed there were no new developments planned as Margaretting is in the Green Belt.

The parish clerk is to forward, the reference number for the Blue Shed on the site opposite the golf course and the emails regarding the bollards opposite Bishops Court, to Cllr Dobson.

Government Funded Home Energy Grants - Up to £25,000 ECO4 (Energy Company Obligation) Scheme

A resident, who is the local representative for Eco Efficient Home Solutions, has shared the following information which he feels would really help local residents. Especially residents with homes which have a lower Energy Performance Certificate rating (EPC) and residents who have a health condition that may qualify for the eligibility criteria.

What's Included in the Grant?

Boiler Replacement
First Time Central Heating
Solar PV (Solar Panels)
Loft Insulation
Cavity Wall Insulation
External Wall Insulation

Who can apply?

Receive benefits
Have a boiler over 15 years old
EPC rating of E, F, or G
Health issues affected by the cold
Off-gas or rural homes

Funding for:

- Insulation
- Heating
- Renewable energy solutions (including solar panels)

Who Qualifies?

1. Benefit-Based Eligibility (ECO4 Route)

If someone in your household receives any of the following:

Pension Credit, Tax Credit, Universal Credit
ESA (Employment Support Allowance)
JSA (Job Seeker's Allowance)

2. Health-Based Eligibility (Local Authority Flex Route)

Households with members suffering from the following conditions:

- Respiratory diseases (e.g., asthma, COPD)
- Cardiovascular conditions (e.g., high BP)
- Autoimmune & immunological diseases
- Limited mobility

NHS or GP referral may be required.

For more information visit www.eeh-s.com

Or telephone the local representative on 07359 556 107

If you have photos or information that you would be prepared to share through this newsletter, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Penny Savill email: penny.savill@btinternet.com

Margaretting Horticultural Village Fête - Saturday 12th July 2025 – 12:30pm - 4:30pm



This enjoyable village event offers a full afternoon packed with activities for the entire family.

The show has a long history with the village and will commence with a performance by children from Margaretting Primary School. Following this, entertainment will be provided by The Silver Gem Majorettes, Eastern Roses Belly Dancers, and The Chelmsford Silver Band. Additionally, Twisted Bliss will delight the audience with their remarkable bubble-modelling artistry. In the afternoon, we anticipate the nostalgic and iconic flypast by the BBMF Supermarine Spitfire.

Our event will feature vintage cars, tractors, the Mid Essex model railway, Essex Woodcarvers, and exhibits and demonstrations from horticultural and craft enthusiasts. There will be numerous activities and games available, in-

cluding a bungee run and crockery smash, as well as the opportunity to enter your dog in our friendly dog show. Surrounding the central arena, visitors can explore a variety of unique and bespoke artisan stalls, enjoy superb ice creams from Josh Ices, and support local charity stalls. Regardless of the weather, the atmosphere promises to be warm and inviting. We cordially invite you to join us for a conversation with friends and neighbours while enjoying homemade cake and tea, a grilled burger from the BBQ, or a refreshing beverage from the bar as you watch the central entertainment.

If you are available to assist on the day, even for an hour, please contact us. Donations for the raffle and tombola are also appreciated. Thank you very much. Lorna Cannon
Email: margarettingfunday1946@gmail.com

MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL FUNDRAISER

The village hall serves as an essential venue for numerous activities each week and requires significant decorative improvements. Please come and enjoy this event helping to raise funds for this important community asset.

Book Sale and Coffee Morning

Saturday 13th September 10:30am to 1pm

Homemade cakes, sausage rolls, other savoury treats, refreshments, local honey, artisan soaps, locally grown plants, books, bric a brac and raffle.

VILLAGE RECOLLECTIONS

Margaretting News owes its origin in 1992 to the Revd Canon John Brown, our vicar at that time. It has continued since then under the auspices of the PCC (St Margaret's Parochial Church Council) to provide information on local groups and organisations. It is produced and printed at no cost (thanks to our resident estate agent Paul Beresford) and is delivered to every household in the village by a number of volunteers. If you wish to assist in this process in any way do contact Penny Savill. Contact details on back page.

MARGARETTING BOOK CLUB

Last month's book 'The Outside Boy' by Jeanine Cummins was enjoyed by everyone. We gave it top marks. Mystery, humour, sadness, and love were all covered in the story. The author puts a positive spin on the Travelling Community and addresses the problems and prejudices they encounter trying to live an archaic way of life in modern times. We are currently reading 'Lessons in Chemistry' by Bonnie Garmus.

MARGARETTING POND

Pond maintenance takes place on the last Sunday of each month at 9:30am. New helpers welcome. For more information please contact Tom Davey on 07375 373 804

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

Volunteers are needed to help maintain the churchyard. Ongoing tasks include weeding ancient graves and keeping brambles and stinging nettles under control. If you have some spare time to help in the churchyard, please contact Michael on 07808 605 388 or David on 01245 466401.

MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL

What's on July 2025

The following are Regular users of the hall

Aerobics - 7pm - Main Hall - Wednesday 16th
Barnraisers - 9.30am – 12.30pm Main Hall – Friday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
Chelmsford Beekeepers - 7pm - 10pm Main Hall - Tuesday 15th
Chelmsford Remote Control Car Racing – 5pm - 10pm Main Hall - Friday 4th and 9am - 6pm Sunday 20th
Dance to Fitness – 9.30am – 11.30am - Main Hall – Tuesday 1st, 8th, 15th and Wednesday 2nd, 9th, 16th
Dog Training – 5pm - Main Hall - Monday 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th and Tuesday 1st
Essex Budgerigars – 7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 2nd
Essex Woodcarvers - 9am - 4pm Main Hall - Sunday 6th
Flower Arranging – 11am – 1pm Meeting Room – Thursday 3rd, 10th
Horticultural Show - 12.30pm - 4.30pm Main Hall - Saturday 12th
Margaretting Village Hall Committee meeting – 7.30pm Meeting room - 1st July
Margaretting Parish Council meeting - 7.30pm Meeting room - 10th July
Pawfect Friends Cynophobia - 6.15pm - 7.45pm Main Hall - Thursday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st and Saturday 5th, 19th, 26th
Variety Band Practice - 7.30pm - 10pm Main Hall - Wednesday 9th

What's on August 2025

The following are Regular users of the hall

Barnraisers 9.30am – 12.30pm Main Hall – Friday 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th
Chelmsford Remote Control Car Racing – 5pm - 10pm Main Hall - Friday 1st
Chelmsford Beekeepers - 7pm - 10pm Main Hall - Tuesday 19th
Dog Training – 5pm Main Hall - Monday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th - Tuesday 5th
Essex Budgerigars – 7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 6th
Essex Woodcarvers - 9am - 4pm Main Hall - Sunday 3rd
Margaretting Relief in Need - 7.30pm Meeting room - Monday 11th
Margaretting Village Hall Committee meeting - 7.30pm Meeting room - Tuesday 5th
Pawfect Friends Cynophobia - 6.15pm - 7.45pm Main Hall - Thursday 21st and Saturday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 30th
Variety Band practice – 7.30pm Main Hall – Wednesday 13th

**For further information please contact the Booking Secretary on:
07794 187 741 or margarettingvhbookings@gmail.com**

Mountnessing Village Hall

Brentwood Organ and Keyboard Club

Tuesday afternoons (usually the 4th Tuesday)

Concerts start at 2.15pm (doors open 1.45pm)

Entry at the door is £5 for members. £7 for guests (cash please)
includes interval refreshments

22nd July - David Ingle 26th August - Lee Dewsnap

ST MARGARET'S CHURCH CONTACT DETAILS

Priest in Charge of Ingatestone, Fryerning, Margaretting
Mountnessing and Buttsbury - Revd Canon Lee Francis-Dehqani
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Secretary - Tim Lee - Email: tlee4@btinternet.com

Tel: 01277 216583 Mobile: 0778 778 3860

JULY AND AUGUST RECYCLING DATES

Wednesday collections

Food waste - every Wednesday
Black bin, green box and card sack
9th and 23rd July
6th and 20th August

Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons

2nd, 16th and 30th July
13th and 27th August

Thursday collections

Food waste - every Thursday
Black bin, green box and card sack
10th and 24th July
7th and 21st August

Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons

3rd, 17th and 31st July
14th and 28th August

RACE NIGHT

MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL

SAVE THE DATE

Friday 14th November at 7pm

RACE NIGHT



HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US FOR ANOTHER FUN EVENING
RASING MONEY FOR THE UPKEEP OF THE VILLAGE HALL

Ingatestone Parish Room, Stock Lane Ingatestone Circle Dance

Monday 28th July and 25th August
2:30pm - 4:30pm.

New members welcome. *Contact:* Janet Shedel
Telephone: 01277 352213
Email: bryanshedel@googlemail.com

Writtle Village Hall - Art Classes

If you are interested in joining an art class, please
contact Susan Keeble on susankeeble2@gmail.com
for details. Beginners welcome.
website: www.susankeeble-artist.com

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