



# MARGARETTING NEWS

## JULY-AUGUST 2023

### BENEFICE OF MARGARETTING, MOUNTNESSING AND BUTTSBURY CHURCH SERVICES

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH  
MARGARETTING

ST. GILES'S CHURCH  
MOUNTNESSING

ST. MARY'S CHURCH  
BUTTSBURY

#### July

2nd - NO SERVICE

9th - NO SERVICE

16th - 11:15am - Patronal Service

23rd - NO SERVICE

**On Sunday 30th July there will be a Benefice Service in St Giles Church Mountnessing at 10:30am**

#### August

6th - NO SERVICE

13th - NO SERVICE

20th - 11:15am - Songs of Praise

27th - NO SERVICE

9:30am - Family Service

9:30am - Holy Communion

9:30am - Morning Prayer

9:30am - Holy Communion

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9:30am - Holy Communion

9:30am - Morning Prayer

9:30am - Holy Communion

8:45am - Holy Communion

NO SERVICE

5:30pm - Lammas Service

NO SERVICE

8:45am - Holy Communion

NO SERVICE

5:30pm - Sea Sunday Service

NO SERVICE

### EDWARD "TED" WOOD 1939-2023

With great sadness we inform you of the death of Ted Wood. Ted died peacefully on 3rd May at home among close family. He was known by many in the village through his work as a TV engineer. Ted was liked and respected. He made an impression on everyone he met - you never heard him say a bad word about anyone. His funeral will take place in the South Chapel, Chelmsford Crematorium on Friday, 7th July at 11:30am.



### Margaretting Horticultural Village Fête

Margaretting Village Hall  
Saturday, 8th July 1pm to 5pm



*Lorna Cannon writes:* Summer is here well and truly. A time to keep watering pots and deadheading the bedding plants and repeat-flowering perennials. This will encourage them to produce more flowers. Also, a time to sit back, relax and enjoy your garden.

We have confirmation that the Spitfire will be flying over our show at 13:20 hrs. which will be fabulous straight after the show opens. It is always a thrill to see this iconic flying machine in the skies. Also, there will be live music, many unique stalls, refreshments, fun and games.

Please look at the show's schedule which should be delivered to you and do get in touch if you have not received one. Inside is information for the show and the categories that you can enter with an entry form. There is a large variety of categories to suit everyone. Please could you get entries in as soon as you can as it will really help on the day if the entry cards are already written. You can email your entries in advance of the day, and I can write the cards out for you. Otherwise, entries must be in by 10:45am at the latest. A massive thank you goes out to the wonderful team of volunteers that very kindly made an extra trip to deliver all the schedules for us. It is truly appreciated.

We would very much be very grateful for any donations towards the raffle and tombola prizes. Also, any crockery no longer wanted that we could use for our popular 'Crockery Smash'. We are also collecting books and DVDs. If you are available to help set up or pack away on the day that would be hugely appreciated too. **Please contact the Committee by email [margarettingfunday1946@gmail.com](mailto:margarettingfunday1946@gmail.com)**

This show has been a large part of the village year since 1946 and we hope with your continuing support that it will go on for many years to come. We look forward to seeing you soon.

**Many thanks on behalf of all the Committee.**

### ST MARGARET'S CHURCH OPEN AFTERNOON

Saturday 1st July - 12 noon to 3pm

Refreshments and volunteers on hand to show you around and answer questions. Are you interested in the ancient art of bell ringing? Then do come along and try your hand at this thoroughly English tradition that has been in existence since the sixteenth century.

### MALDON ROAD CHURCH NOTICE BOARD

A big thank you to Gerard, a local carpenter and joiner, who made and fitted, free of charge, the new wooden frame for the church side of the parish notice board. As one resident commented 'we do have a lovely village community'.

### VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING

Margaretting Village Hall

Saturday - 12th August

10am to 12 noon

Enjoy a cuppa, cake and chatter with neighbours and friends.

### INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

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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 be viewed on the parish council page of Margarettling's community website [www.margarettling.com](http://www.margarettling.com). Should you wish to contact the clerk, or one of your parish councillors, their contact details are listed on the notice board outside the parish office. You can also contact them via email [parishcouncil.margarettling@outlook.com](mailto:parishcouncil.margarettling@outlook.com)

**Please note: the telephone number for the parish council is 0786 402 5948**

### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

#### Planning Decisions received in May and June

##### **Little Cedars, Maldon Road**

Application No: 23/00373/FUL

Proposal: Demolition of existing outbuilding and replacement with new outbuilding.

**Application approved**

##### **Tanners, Pennys Lane**

Application No: 23/00278/FUL

Proposal: Replacement detached new build dwelling

**Application refused**

##### **Land South East of Four Oaks, Ivy Barn Lane**

Application: No 23/00234/FUL

Proposal: Change of use of land to equestrian use including construction of stable block with three stables and feed/tack store. Formation of new access, with gate and driveway. Installation of fencing.

**Application refused**

#### **Lead Councillors/Representatives appointed in May.**

Allotments: C Quilter.

Community Health: T Paoli-Burke.

Emergency Planning: H Blurton.

EALC: S Upton.

Maldon Road Recreation Field: C Quilter.

Finance: P Savill and Clerk.

Planning: H Blurton.

Press: A Wallace.

Rights of Way: C Quilter and S Upton.

Transport: T Paoli-Burke.

Tree Warden: L Cameron (to be confirmed).

Village Furniture: H Blurton.

Village Hall Management Committee: D Smith.

#### **The following issues were raised at the May meeting:**

Changes at Eastfield Farm.

Dog excrement in Orton Close.

Bus stop shelter roof opposite the Red Lion.

Inspection for Great Crested Newts in the brook next to the Speedwell Service Station in Main Road.

School crossing sign on the LHP list for 2023/24.

Children's den in the Maldon Road Playing Field.

Potholes - several holes have been filled.

Swan Lane - road slide away problem.

Secure dog area - An email received from a resident suggesting a secure dog area be set up: As the parish council has no areas where one could be established it was agreed the clerk would write to local farmers to see if they might be interested in setting up a dog secure area.

#### Village Hall Matters

Cllr. D Smith has been elected Chairman.

The bar equipment has been removed and the small bar area is to be deep cleaned and painted. If the work is done by the summer, it should be able to be hired for £20-£25.

£150 has been received through a grant for alternative fuel. Following a contribution from Margarettling Friends repairs to the knee-high fence are now in hand.

A post at the rear of the village hall is to be fixed and the scaffolding post at the rear is to be removed.

There are two broken tables which need replacing.

The Wilson family bench installation needs looking at.

#### Accounts

Authority was given for payment of the following;

BHIB (annual insurance premium)	£1,502
M D Landscapes (village grass cutting)	£ 535
Village Hall (contribution to electricity)	£ 196

#### Next Meeting

7:30pm, Thursday, 13th July at the village hall in the Meeting Room.

## ST MARGARET'S CHURCH - CHURCHYARD UPDATE

We've had some questions about what's happening in the churchyard. The older part (Victorian and earlier graves) is now being kept as a wildlife area. So the grass there has been deliberately let grow, and the area is sown with native wildflower seeds. This is to encourage butterflies, beetles and hedgehogs: the churchyard is now becoming a small oasis of natural wildlife. Our bees also like the wildflowers- the bees seem to be re-establishing themselves round the back of the church tower after almost being wiped out last year, probably by a bee disease. If you have an ancestor's grave in the wildlife part of the churchyard, let us know and it can be included in the mowing.

In the area of the newer graves at the very back, the grass is kept short and the graves are kept neat. (If you are a resident of Margarettling parish you have the right to be buried here.) Our grass cutting team try and mow this once a month in the season. Earlier in the spring we had an amazing display of *Ladies Smock* or *Cuckoo Flower* growing so we let the grass grow for a few weeks longer while it flowered (see picture).

We have an issue of a small number of graves where steel edging panels have appeared in the last few years. While these are fine in a garden Chelmsford Diocese rules say we can't have edging in churchyards anymore and we do need to be able to cut the grass.

The Church Council must respectfully ask that edging panels and other hard objects are taken away within a year of a funeral so the whole area can be mowed and have a uniform and neat appearance. Flowers will of course be respected.



Tim Lee, Focal Minister

## FOOD BANK

Contributions can be left in the box in the porch at The Vicarage, Pennys Lane - the house is opposite the school.

## CAMEO CLUB

A big thank you to Rita and Richard for their kind hospitality last month. We definitely enjoyed Richard's home cooking and Rita's general knowledge quiz. We are a small group (men and women) who meet once a month for lunch. On Thursday, 13th July we will be in The White Hart at The Tye at 1pm. We are still deciding where to meet in August. If anyone would care to join us in July we would love to see you. Just let us know a couple of days before so we know approximate numbers to expect. Please contact Rosemary on 01277 350553.

## BOOK CLUB

We enjoyed reading 'Hidden Depths' by Ann Cleeves and 'The House of Fortune' by Jessie Burton. We gave both books a 4 out of 5 stars rating. Although, 'The House of Fortune' is a sequel to 'The Miniaturist' we agreed it is not necessary to have read 'The Miniaturist' first. We are currently reading 'A Gentleman in Moscow' by Amor Towles. If you would like to become a member please contact Penny on 01277 356182.

## LOCAL TRADES AND BUSINESSES

As Margaretting WhatsApp members frequently use the group to ask if anyone knows or can recommend a local tradesperson a resident has suggested Margaretting News might consider including a list of local tradespeople. I would be interested to know whether this suggestion would be welcomed and if there are Margaretting businesses/tradespeople who would like to be included in such a list. *Penny Savill*  
Email: penny.savill@btinternet.com

## MARGARETTING POND

If anyone has time to lend a hand at one of our pond maintenance sessions which take place at 9:30am on the last Sunday of each month please contact Tom Davey on the pond WhatsApp Group - 0737 537 3804

## ALLOTMENTS

Whole or half allotments are available for rent. Details from Caroline Kochan. Telephone: 0786 402 5948

## MARGARETTING WHATSAPP

Is a WhatsApp group for members of the community to report and share information that affects all of us. To become a member please send one text to 0797 196 3516.

## MARGARETTING CHURCH of ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

*Mrs Melissa Taylor (Headteacher) writes:*

The children have been working hard at Margaretting in the Summer Term and it is wonderful to see the progress that they are all making.

The children in Year 6 and Year 2 took their SATs examinations in May. These are external exams that all pupils in those year groups are required to take. The children all worked very hard and we are proud of what they have achieved. Taking tests is never easy, but we really felt that all children approached the questions with courageous optimism. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff involved in the tests for their hard work and all parents for your continued support.

We are excited to announce that Mrs Cannon has been shortlisted for the Pearson 'Teaching Assistant of the Year' Award. Mrs Cannon has worked at Margaretting for the past 19 years and has helped and supported so many children during this time. Mrs Cannon will always be our winner, but we will find out the official results later this academic year. We wish her the best of luck.

This term, the Year 5/6 class have been learning about the Second World War. Thank you to Robert Fletcher for coming to speak to the children about the war and the impact it had on Ingatestone and Margaretting. It really helped to bring the topic to life.

We have enjoyed taking part in tennis and quad kids sporting tournaments this term. The whole school and Trust community have also been counting our steps towards our goal of a million miles, by September. At the time of writing, Margaretting has completed 13,369 miles and the LIFE Trust total is 509,155 (which is 50.9% of our goal)!

We are looking forward to seeing the Key Stage 2 Production of 'Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies' later this academic year. We will also say a fond farewell to our Year 6 children and wish them the best for the future.

Places have now been offered to all children to attend Margaretting starting in EYFS in September 2023. However, we do still have some spaces in the 2023 cohort. If you know of anyone who would like a place, then please ask them to call the school office on 01277 352114. I would be delighted to show new families around our fantastic school

## ST MARGARET'S CHURCH SUPPORTERS GROUP

Thank you to everyone who supported our SongCycle concert in May. An audience of fifty enjoyed the evening. A total of £260 was raised for the maintenance and upkeep of our beautiful parish church.

Thank you also to Dawn, one of our members, and to the three committee members who helped with the 'tidy up' in the churchyard and the 'clearing out' in the vestry in June.

The church has been left a bequest to undertake an improvement project. As the bequest was made by a former resident who was much admired for her innovative and excellent sewing skills it has been suggested new curtains for the north door would be an appropriate project.

The wild meadow areas in the churchyard are proving to be very much a work in progress project. The committee is working on how best to manage the strong grass growing in these areas which is suppressing the wildflowers. If anyone has any ideas how to reduce the grass or has time to help physically remove the offending grass we would love to hear from you.

If you are not a member of the support group but would be interested in becoming one or would like to volunteer to help in the churchyard, please ring David on 01245 466401 or Michael on 01277 354821.

## VILLAGE RECOLLECTIONS

If you have information, photos or other materials 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 FRIENDS

Margaretting Friends will be hosting Table Top Sales at the Village Hall to run alongside the monthly coffee mornings. Tables need to be pre-booked through **Stella 01277 356 986**. We plan to run these quarterly. The next one will be on Saturday, 9th September.

There is a wide variety of second hand books for sale on display in the village hall foyer. For more information please telephone Lynn on 01277 355575

## MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL

### What's on July 2023

Aerobics 7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>  
Barnraisers 9.30am – 12.30pm Main Hall – Friday 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>  
Chelmsford Beekeepers 7.30pm Main Hall – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>  
Remote Control Car Racing 12 noon–1pm Main Hall - Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>  
Cricket Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>  
Evening Cricket Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> – 5pm start  
Dance to Fitness 9.30am – 11.30am Main Hall – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>  
Dog Training 5pm Main Hall - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> - Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup>  
Essex Budgerigars 7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>  
Essex Woodcarvers 9am – 4pm – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Flower Arranging 11am – 1pm Main Hall – Thursday 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>  
Loose Threads 9.30am – 6pm Main Hall – Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>  
Margaretting Parish Council 7pm Meeting Room – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>  
\*\*MARGARETTING VILLAGE FETE\*\* - All rooms and field – 1pm – 5pm  
Rock and Roll Club 2pm – 6pm – Main Hall – Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Variety Band Practice 7.30pm Chelmer Room – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>

### What's on August 2023

Barnraisers 9.30am – 12.30pm Main Hall – Friday 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>  
Chelmsford Beekeepers 7.30pm Main Hall – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>  
Coffee Morning 10am – 12 noon Main Hall - Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>  
Cricket Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>  
Dog Training 5pm Main Hall - Monday 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> - Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>  
Essex Budgerigars 7pm Main Hall – Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Essex Woodcarvers 9am – 4pm – Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>  
Flower Arranging Summer break  
Loose Threads 9.30am – 6pm Main Hall – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>  
Rock and Roll Club 2-6pm Main Hall – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup>  
7pm – midnight – Main Hall – Friday 25<sup>th</sup>  
Variety Band practice 7.30pm Chelmer Room – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>

For further information please contact  
the Booking Secretary on: 01277 355575 or 0779 418 7741

#### Essex Folk Association - Ingatestone Circle Dance

Ingatestone Parish Room, Stock Lane, CM4 9EJ  
4th Monday of month 2:30pm – 4:30pm  
New members welcome

Contact: Janet Shedel Telephone: 01277 352213  
bryanshedel@googlemail.com

#### Brentwood Organ and Keyboard Club

##### Mountnessing Village Hall, Roman Road, CM15 0UG

Tuesday afternoons (usually the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday). Concerts are performed by a different professional every month using their own keyboard system. Many styles and genres are played - jazz, easy listening, classical, pop, big band, swing, film themes, songs from musicals etc. Concerts start at 2:15pm (doors 1:45pm). Entry at the door is £5 for members, £7 for guests (cash please) including interval refreshments. 25th July Elizabeth Harrison 22nd August Chris and Jo Powell

Visit [www.organax.co.uk/clubs/brentwood.co.uk](http://www.organax.co.uk/clubs/brentwood.co.uk) for details or contact Jean on 01277 824380

**MOBILE LIBRARY** Every three weeks on Thursday afternoons - 13th July, 3rd and 24th August - 9:40am to 10:10am in the lay-by in Maldon Road opposite the playing field.

**TRUST BUS** Margaretting to Ingatestone. Friday mornings leaving the Pond, Main Road at 9.55am; Orton Close at 10.00am and returning from Ingatestone to Margaretting at approximately 11:00am. Margaretting to Tesco. Fridays at 11:15am from Orton Close and returning from Tesco at 1pm.

If you have any queries regarding the trust bus service please telephone the driver Nick Price on 01245 264165

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**JULY AND AUGUST  
RECYCLING DATES**  
**Wednesday collections**  
**Food waste** - every Wednesday  
**Black bin, green box and card sack**  
12th and 26th July  
9th and 23rd August  
**Brown bin, paper sack and  
bagged plastics & cartons**  
5th and 19th July  
2nd, 16th and 30th August  
**Thursday collections**  
**Food waste** - every Thursday  
**Black bin, green box and card sack**  
13th and 27th July  
10th and 24th August  
**Brown bin, paper sack and  
bagged plastics & cartons**  
6th and 20th July  
3rd, 17th and 31st August  
**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**  
To arrange a collection  
Telephone 01245 615800

#### MOUNTNESSING RECYCLING CENTRE

Roman Road, CM4 9AU

Open 9 - 5pm

EXCEPT TUESDAY

Residents visiting this centre will need to book in advance.

For more information and to book, visit [www.loveessex.org](http://www.loveessex.org).

You can book your slot up to two weeks in advance. There is no charge to book, but you need to make a booking each time you visit. Blue Badge holders, pedestrians and cyclists are not required to make a booking.