



MARGARETTING NEWS

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ST MARGARET'S CHURCH SERVICES IN JUNE

Sunday, 1st June 10am - Parish Communion
Sunday, 8th June - NO SERVICE
Sunday, 15th June 10am - Parish Communion
Sunday, 22nd June - NO SERVICE
Sunday, 29th June - NO SERVICE

In addition Margaretting Church will be open on Sundays 1st and 15th June from 2.00-5.00pm for anyone to visit. There will be tea/coffee and cake and music.

Enquiries for baptisms, weddings and funerals
please telephone 01277 352484 or 01277 354077

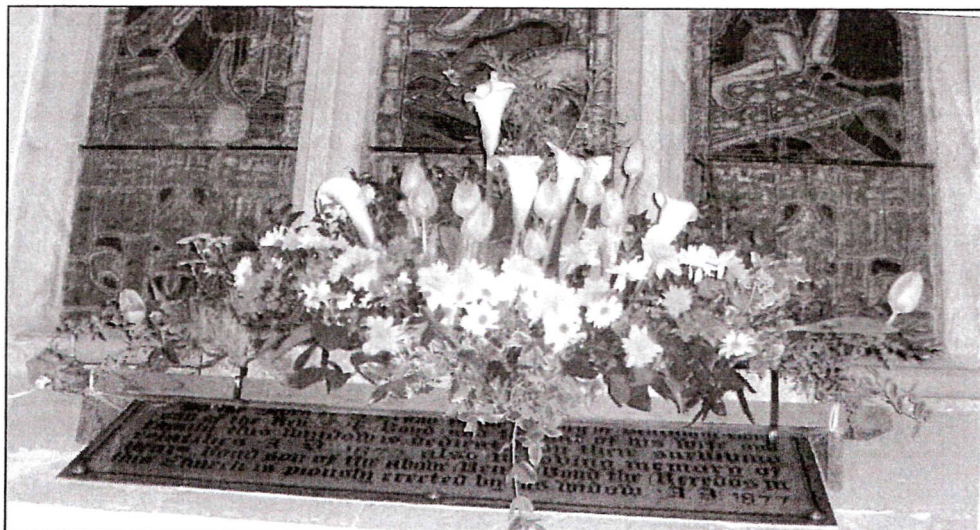
ST MARGARET'S CHURCH OPEN AFTERNOONS

On Easter Sunday, a party of eleven of us found the 15th century church open and heard lovely organ music being played. Inside the flower arrangements were beautiful and enhanced the Jesse window, stone carved altar piece and other notable monuments. Then we were welcomed to hot tea, delicious cakes and even biscuits for the dogs, most acceptable on an extremely wet afternoon. Sincere thanks to everyone concerned.

Jean Offord



These photographs were taken on Easter Sunday by Maurice Wright.



YOUR CHURCH

Following Canon John Brown's letter to us in April's newsletter it has been decided to hold a meeting at the village hall on Thursday 19th June at 7.00 pm in the meeting room.

It is difficult to judge what response there will be, but it is an opportunity to identify what interest there is. If people cannot make it, or if it is inconvenient please let me know. I hope there will be follow up meetings that can respond to people's wishes when they are known.

You do not have to be a church goer to have an opinion on the value of the church to the village. I would like to make it clear that this action is in support of the 'Church' and the Parochial Church Council and any action must have their full agreement.

But, without the support and involvement of the village it will close. Contact: Michael Scott. Yew Tree Cottage, Main Road. Telephone: 01277354821 e-mail: mjscott.scott56@googlemail.com

200 CLUB

Winners for the spring 200 club draw
£75 Mr N Taylor
£50 Mr K Maynard
£30 Mrs A Nixon
£20 Miss Sophia Hodge

MARGARETTING PARISH COUNCIL - MAY MEETING AND AGM

DEMOCRATIC TIME

Two members of the public present. Matters raised included the road flooding problem in Maldon Road and pot holes in village roads. Both matters will be raised at the parish assembly.

VILLAGE PROJECTS

Village Hall Road Sign: No further information to report.

Parish Council Office: The building programme is on target.

Garden opposite the school: The railings are being painted. Thanks were expressed for Brian Smith's time and work on this project.

Lavender Bank: Nothing further to report. *Since the meeting we have been informed that Essex County Highways has no objections to the parish council placing a wooden kerb along this bank. A licence confirming this is to be issued to the parish council*

WOODEN SHED ON A12 SLIP ROAD

Nothing further to report. *Since the meeting it has been confirmed that the maintenance of this raised verge is not the responsibility of Essex Highways.*

The occupation of the wooden shed is now being investigated by Chelmsford City Council's Planning Enforcement Team.

FOOTPATHS & BRIDLEWAYS

Footpath 21: Network Rail is considering issuing a request for a permanent closure of footpath 21. This is the footpath which crosses the railway line and comes to an abrupt end on the A12 slip road leading to The Saddlery.

The parish council agreed to support this request. Reasons for its support include: the footpath leads nowhere; the banks either side of the crossing are steep and dangerous, the train whistles will cease when the footpath is closed.

Bridleway 44: The fallen tree is still blocking the bridleway.

ALLOTMENTS & PLAY AREA

No reported incidents since the last meeting. There is still one allotment available for rent. Keith Young has agreed to continue as spokesperson for the allotments.

BUS STOPS

The bus stops poles in the village have been replaced with the new design poles and flags. The litter bin for the Red Lion bus stop has been delivered and will be installed as soon as practical.

ACCOUNTS 2014/15

The expenditure agreed was:
£439 - MDL (grass cutting)
£1,467 - AON (insurance)
£32,338 - Tom Green (office building)

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

Andrew Wallace who lives in Private Road, Margaretting has been co-opted onto the parish council.

FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME

In response to concerns expressed about the number of mature trees to be felled and the request that mature trees only are selected in the replanting plan the Environment Agency has replied that tree planting experience on previous projects has shown that standard trees tend to establish more quickly and grow more rapidly than semi mature trees. Any trees planted as part of the scheme will be planted at an appropriate time of the year to ensure the correct establishment. The trees will be maintained by the Environment Agency for a period of five years and this will include matters such as weed control, watering if required and the application of a suitable fertilizer and mulching. The Environment Agency also pointed out that some of the large trees removed (two Willows and an Ash) were found to be diseased and had limited remaining life.

VILLAGE INTERNET SPEED

Further information received from residents confirms there are varying speeds being received in the village - some of which fall way below the recommended 2Mbps. Residents can find information on the fibre rollout delivery in Essex BDUK (Broadband Delivery UK) programme by logging onto its dedicated website www.superfastessex.org or by e-mailing Essex County Council: Make.theConnection@essex.gov.uk

PLANNING

The following applications were received for comments:

14/00183/FUL - Land at Whitewebs Cottage, Main Road: New two storey house with detached garage.

14/00595/FUL - 23 Orton Close: Part retrospective application for a single storey side/rear extension.

14/00620/FUL - Webbs Farm, Main Road: Convert existing building to residential annexe. Demolition of attached storage barn.

14/00638/FUL - Martins Farm, Margaretting Tye: Conversion of barn into dwelling including extensions.

14/00694/FUL - Sunset, Main Road: Hip to gable roof extension with Juliette balcony

The following decisions were noted:
14/00337/ADV and 14/00350/LBC - Red Lion Public House, Main Road: Assorted illuminated and non-illuminated signage.

Grant Planning Permission

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 12th June at 7.30pm

PARISH COUNCIL AGM

The following area of responsibilities were agreed at the AGM on 8th May 2014.

P. Savill - Chairman and Press Officer

H. Blurton - Vice Chairman, Emergency Planning and Planning Coordinator

T. Boem - Tree Warden and Village Pond

L. Edwards - Transport and Community Health

C. Quilter- Maldon Road Recreation Field

M. Scott - Monuments, Street Furniture and Public Rights of Way

P. Slade- Village Hall and EALC Representative

QUIZ NIGHT

Margaretting Village Hall

Saturday 14th June
at 7.00pm

In aid of the Refurbishment
of the Gents toilet

Fish and Chip Supper
Bring your own drinks

Tickets £8 each
Tables of 8

Children welcome

Ring Lynn on 01277 355575

PARISH ASSEMBLY

Fifteen people attended the parish assembly on 15th May. The parish council and representatives from village organisations reported on projects, activities and events that had taken place in the village during the past year. Concerns and matters raised by those present included inconsiderate parking, erosion of village verges, potholes (particularly the ones in Pennys Lane) and a request to include Ingatestone's neighbourhood watch updates in the newsletter instead of those for Hanningfield, Downham and Ramsden Heath. This request has been taken up with Ingatestone parish council. However, the parish council does not receive any reports. Now that it is known Margaretting receives regular reports from its PCSO one is to be requested.

EASTERN ANGLES

This year's play 'Palm Wine and Stout' performed in the village hall on 20th May was a huge success. We were treated to a first class and passionate performance by four very talented actors. Bursting with energy they definitely captured the audience's imagination. Within minutes, with minimal stage props, a good script and great voices we were transported to southern Nigeria and held captive by village customs, folklore, song and family disputes. It was an exceptional performance. Thanks are due to Michael and Jennie Scott for this year's Eastern Angles visit and to all their helpers for the arrangements during the evening.

MARGARETTING FRIENDS

Our meetings are held in the Chelmer Room on the third Monday of every month at 7.30pm. On Monday, 16th June we have invited Robert Butcher to give a talk on everyday operations by the RNLI and their voluntary crew members. Our summer evening garden party, always a popular well attended event, is on Monday, 23rd June.

FAMILY FUN DAY

**Saturday, 12th July - 1pm to 4pm
at the village hall**

If anyone has anything they'd like to donate in advance, i.e. raffle prizes, tombola items, bottles etc. then please give them to Julie in the Black Bull. Also, please contact Julie if you are able to help on the day. We would love more people to get involved in a Tug of War competition. Get a works team or friends team together and let Julie know so she can add to the ones who have already put their names forward. This year's event promises to be a good afternoon out with lots to do and see. There will be some wonderful old planes flying over and the Chelmer Valley Blue Falcons Gymnastic display team will be there too.

OVER 60S CLUB

Over 60s club meetings are held once a fortnight. They start at 2pm and are held in the village hall. For more information contact June or Don Moore on 01277 356126. Last month the Mobile Customer Information Service came along to give a talk about Chelmsford City Council's services.

MOBILE CUSTOMER

INFORMATION SERVICE

The mobile service is going to visit the village hall once a month. It will be able to help you to:

- Recycle more and provide you with replacement sacks
- Find out how to get help with Housing Benefit or Council Tax
- Report issues in your area
- Find out about tourism and leisure activities.

No appointment is necessary. The dates and times for these visits will be advertised in the newsletter and posted on the village notice boards.

JUNE RECYCLING DATES

Black bins and food waste

Every Tuesday

Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons

Tuesdays 10th and 24th

Green box and card sack

Tuesdays 3rd and 17th

MARGARETTING TYE

Black bins and food waste

Every Wednesday

Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons

Wednesdays 11th and 25th

Green box and card sack

Wednesdays 4th and 18th

ALLOTMENTS

Interested in trying your hand at growing your own? Please contact Keith Young on 01277 354516 for details and information about renting an allotment in Margaretting.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH UPDATE

The period covered in the following update covers the month of April.

05:55-16:00 08/04/2014

Swan Lane, Stock: Burglary dwelling – entry gained to property by smashing pane of glass in back door – nothing believed to be stolen.

00:25 12/04/2014

Crondon Hall Cottages, The Tye, Margaretting: Attempted theft of heating oil.

19:00 12/04/2014 – 05:20 13/04/2014

Main Road, Margaretting: Ford Transit van stolen from outside property – has since been recovered.

05:30-09:30 15/04/2014

Maldon Road, Margaretting: Ford Transit stolen from outside property – has since been recovered.

18:00 21/04/2014 – 08:00 22/04/2014

Coptford Hall Drive, Margaretting: Entry gained to outbuilding by pulling out rear window. An all-terrain vehicle, spotlight and battery charger stolen.

18:00 23/04/2014 – 14:00 24/04/2014

The Tye, Margaretting: Entry gained to a shipping container by breaking lock – generator stolen.

18:00 24/04/2014 – 08:00 25/04/2014

The Tye, Margaretting: Padlock removed from outbuilding and a quad bike stolen.

21:00 24/04/2014 – 07:00 25/04/2014

Dakyn Drive, Stock: Dog cage stolen from side of the property by cutting through a locked cable.

13:00 26/04/2014

18 Mill Road, Stock: Laptop stolen from shop believed to be by a person posing as a customer.

Jemma Carr, PCSO 71018

South Woodham Ferrers
Neighbourhood Policing Team
Telephone 101 - extension 421001
Email: jemma.carr@essex.pnn.police.uk

VILLAGE HALL ACTIVITIES

What's on in June

Please note bookings are weekly unless otherwise stated.

Mondays

Pilates 9.30 – 10.30am; 10.45 – 11.45am Main Hall; 7 – 8pm Main Hall
Margaretting Friends – RNLI - 16th – 7.30pm – Chelmer Room

Tuesdays

Multiple Sclerosis Society – 24th – Main Hall 7pm
Stitch and Chat – 10th and 24th 9.30am – 12 noon – Meeting Room
Art Class – 9.30- 12 noon and 2 – 4.00pm – Chelmer Room

Wednesdays

Dance to Fitness – 9.30 – 10.30am – Main Hall
French Class – 10am – 12 noon – Meeting Room
Over 60's Club – 11th and 25th – 2 - 4pm - Main Hall
Bingo – 4th and 18th – Main Hall 7.30pm

Thursdays

Pilates 9.30 – 10.30am Main Hall; 7.30 – 8.30pm Main Hall
Art Class – 10am – 12 noon – Chelmer Room
Village Hall meeting - 5th – 7.30pm – Meeting Room
Parish Council meeting – 12th – 7.30pm – Meeting Room
Your Church - 19th – 7pm – Meeting Room
Essex Handicraft- 26th – Chelmer Room 7pm

Fridays

Stitch and Chat – 9.30am – 12 noon – Main Hall

Saturdays

Village Hall Quiz night 14th Main Hall 7pm
Village Coffee Morning – 21st Chelmer Room 10am – 12 noon – All Welcome
Pirouette School of Dance 21st Main Hall – 8.30am – 1.30pm

Sundays

Loose Threads Patchwork Group – 29th – 9.30am – 6pm – Main Hall

**For further details or queries for private functions
please contact April Nixon (Booking Secretary)
on 07794 187741**

DIARY DATES

**Saturday 14th June (7pm)
Quiz Night in the village hall**

**Thursday 19th June (7pm)
'Your Village Church Meeting'
in the meeting room
at the village hall**

**Saturday, 12th July (1pm - 4pm)
Margaretting Village Hall
Family Fun Day and
Horticultural Show**

VILLAGE COFFEE MORNINGS

Every third Saturday of the month
in the Chelmer Room
at the village hall

**SATURDAY 21st JUNE
10am - 12 noon**

Local produce; Remus Charity Stall;
Bric a Brac and books

Walking your dog? Take a break
enjoy a coffee and toasted tea cake

Want a lift - contact April
on 01277 354557

COACH OUTINGS

**Saturday, 14 June 2014
RHS Gardens at Wisley**

**Thursday, 10 July 2014
Hampton Court Flower Show
(or Palace)**

**Saturday, 11 October 2014
Waterperry Gardens Oxfordshire
'Apple Festival' Weekend**

To book a coach outing contact
Ann Monk on 01277 352869

MOBILE LIBRARY Fortnightly on Thursday afternoons, 12th and 26th June
at 3.20-3.35pm in Maldon Road in the lay-by opposite the playing field.

SHOPPER BUS Margaretting to Asda Supermarket, Chelmer Village - Tuesday mornings
Margaretting to Tesco Supermarket, Wood Street - Thursday mornings
leaving Orton Close at 11.00am, Maldon Road at 11.02am, Main Road at 11.04am.

TRUST BUS Margaretting to Ingatestone, Friday mornings
leaving the Pond, Main Road at 9.55am, Orton Close at 10.00am
and returning from Ingatestone at 11.15am

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