

# MARGARETTING NEWS March 2015

#### BENEFICE OF MARGARETTING, MOUNTNESSING AND BUTTSBURY **CHURCH SERVICES IN MARCH**

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1st March 10.00am Parish Eucharist

8th March NO SERVICE

15th March (Mothering Sunday)

10.00am Parish Eucharist

22nd March NO SERVICE

29th March (Palm Sunday)

10.00am Benefice Service

#### ST. GILES'S CHURCH MOUNTNESSING

9.30am Morning Prayer

6.00pm Evening Eucharist

9.30am Parish Eucharist

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**NO SERVICE** 

ST. MARY'S CHURCH **BUTTSBURY** 

8.45am Holy Communion

11.15am Matins

3.30pm Evensong with Communion

3.30pm Evensong

NO SERVICE

In addition Margaretting Church will be open from 2.00-5.00pm on Sundays 1st and 15th March for anyone to visit.

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

#### REVD FRANCES DRAKE

There will be tea/coffee and cake and music.

The news of Revd. Frances's death on 2nd January came as a shock to many in the village. Many will remember her enthusiasm, zest for life and love of people. Nothing ever seemed to faze her. Frances was the first appointment of a woman member of the clergy for our three parishes. Her great sense of fun, strong faith and her beautiful singing voice will be especially remembered by members of St Margaret's congregation. Frances's funeral was held on Saturday, 24th January in St Thomas's Church Navestock. In line with Frances's wishes the service, led by Cannon John Brown, was a celebration of her life - it was a truly fitting tribute to all her achievements.

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#### GOOD NEWS

We are very pleased to share the news that the Revd. Celia Parkes has been appointed as Associate Priest of the parishes of Margaretting with Mountnessing and Buttsbury, and Ingatestone with Fryerning. Revd. Celia will have particular responsibility for the parishes of Margaretting, Mountnessing and Buttsbury. Currently, Revd. Celia is working as Associate Priest in the Southampton City Centre Parish and will begin her work with us during week commencing 13th April. Revd. Celia and her husband, Mike, will be organising their move into the Vicarage in early March and we are sure that they will be made to feel very welcome within our village. In addition, the Revd. Patrick Sherring, who is Rector of Ingatestone with Fryerning, has also been appointed Priest in Charge of Margaretting with Mountnessing and Buttsbury."

#### EASTER FUN TIME

Saturday, 28th March 2.30pm to 4.30pm in the Chelmer Room

We are holding an Easter crafts session for children on Saturday, 28th March from 2.30pm to 4.30om in the Chelmer Room in the village hall. The event will be suitable for boys and girls of primary school age. The crafts will include making jewellery, Easter cards, hats, chocolate nests, decorating biscuits and more! There will be table top games (great for boys and dads) such as Connect Four and Dr Who Time Wars Board Game. We are planning to finish by sharing a simple tea of sandwiches and cake together. The entrance fee will be £2.50 to cover costs. For further information, please contact Revd. Pam Pennell. E-mail pencof.pam@btinternet.com or telephone 01277 841270.

## **QUIZ NIGHT**

Saturday 14th March 2015 at 7.00pm Margaretting Village Hall

### MARGARETTING PARISH COUNCIL - JANUARY & FEBRUARY MEETINGS

#### **DEMOCRATIC TIME**

No issues were raised.

#### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

We agreed to support a village event in May - Saturday, 16th May. This event will include art and photographic displays as well as games, craft stalls and workshops.

### See Diary Dates on the back page.

#### YOUTH COUNCILS

Miss Jordanne Wood, vice chairman of Ingatestone and Fryerning Youth Council had been invited to attend the meeting to speak about the work of the youth councils. Jordanne, who is Head Girl at the Anglo European School, joined the Ingatestone & Fryerning Youth Council a year ago. She is one of thirteen 11-18 year olds who make up the membership of the council.

Jordanne explained Ingatestone & Fryerning Youth Council's remit includes the parish of Margaretting. She described the areas of work the youth council gets involved with and how its members are able to offer help for local projects and events. We confirmed we would welcome the youth council's support and its ideas for the Margaretting community event planned in May.

It was agreed that Jordanne would write a piece for the newsletter to try and encourage new members to the youth council as ten of its members would be leaving to go to university this year.

#### FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME

Land negotiations continue between the Environment Agency and Mr Sharp.

## ALLOTMENTS & PLAY AREA No reported incidents.

## **REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE**Nothing to report.

## VILLAGE ROADS, PAVEMENTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY

<u>Penny's Lane</u>: The potholes have been repaired. The ongoing school parking problem is being dealt with by the school management.

Maldon Road - kerb defects: The kerb outside Nos 1a and 1b has been inspected and is awaiting repairs.

Maldon Road - Street lights: Defect to Post No 17 has been reported.

Maldon Road - Nuns Crossing: Network Rail has inspected the area and will be instructing its contractors to carry out the following works which it believes will solve the flooding problem.

- 1. Regrade the slope at the access gate to the yard to direct run off straight to the existing pipe in the ditch.
- 2. Remove vegetation from the area around the pipe in the ditch.
- 3. Sluice out existing road drain to ensure it is running smoothly.

Footpaths: The bollard for footpath 43 has been put back but not satisfactory. We agreed to organise a survey of Margaretting's 'rights of way'. The last one took place several years ago. Information on how local residents can take part in the survey will be published in the newsletter.

Three Mile Hill - shed occupancy: The shed constructed within woodland area between A414 and A12 at Street Record Three Mile Hill Intersection 4 is occupied by a 'homeless gentleman'. Chelmsford City Council has requested the occupant remove the shed and cease occupying the land. It has also requested the Highways Authority to take steps to ensure his removal

#### VILLAGE POND AND TREES

We agreed that before work can be carried out to the dead tree by the pond confirmation is required from BT on how much it would charge to survey, disconnect and re-connect the telephone line. We have received our replacement millennium oak tree and have been given two additional oak trees. See next page.

#### **ACCOUNTS**

Expenditure agreed:

£750 - Grassroots (various tree work)

## ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT

ECC has requested details of local problem areas, that is, locations that could be at risk from flooding. These locations could be where homes have actually been flooded, have a history of flooding or areas viewed as presenting a risk of flooding to homes in the future. Details forwarded to ECC include the properties in Main Road (Red Lion, the school and Brookside).

## ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL QUIETER LANES PROPOSAL

A major initiative aimed at making country lanes safer and calmer by turning them into 'Quiet Lanes' is being adopted by Essex County Council. Although cars would not be banned, Quiet Lanes will encourage traffic to proceed cautiously. ECC will initially ask each of the county's 12 Local Highways Panels to identify two roads to be considered as Quiet Lanes. The nominated roads would continue to receive a basic level of maintenance but the route's status change would help calm the traffic. HGVs would be banned and a 20mph limit would be implemented as standard practice.

We agreed the two lanes in Margaretting which would benefit from the quieter status would be Swan Lane and Ivy Barn Lane.

#### PARISH COUNCIL SURGERY

A member of the parish council will be on duty in the parish office from 11.00 to 12 noon on Saturdays, 14th and 21st March.

#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

(i) The following decisions were received:

14/01746/COUPA - Four Oaks, Ivy Barn Lane: Determination as to whether prior approval of the local planning authority is required for the conversion of one agricultural building to one residential dwelling house. Prior Approval is required

14/01808/FUL - Land south of Entrance Lodge, Writtle Road: New vehicular access.

#### **Grant Planning Permission**

14/01788/FUL - Beech Lorne, Wantz Road: Two storey side extension including two rear dormer windows.

Grant Planning Permission

(ii) The following applications were received for comment:

14/01934/FUL - Whitewebs Cottage, Main Road: Front Porch and Ramp.

14/02035/FUL - Glencar, Maldon Road: Two storey rear extension and roof alterations including two side dormer windows and façade alterations.

#### EASTER LILLIES

Easter Sunday is the 5th April this year and as usual, we would appreciate donations towards our traditional Arum Lily pedestal, arranged in memory of loved ones. The lilies cost approximately £3 per bloom, which we appreciate is a little high. Therefore, we have a general flower fund and all donations are gratefully received. If you are making a donation and would like a loved ones name mentioned please advise at the time. All monies and names should be sent to Margaret Boxall at Tarporley, Penny's Lane, or telephone 01277 354844 as soon as possible. Thank you once again for your support. Margaret Boxall.

#### **BOOK CLUB**

'The Ghost', a political thriller by Robert Harris, received a good review from the book club. On a scale of 1 to 5 stars (5 being the highest) we awarded it 4 stars. We are now looking forward to seeing the Roman Polanski's film version of the book starring Starring Ewan McGregor and Pierce Brosnan.

February's book, 'The Light Between Oceans' by M L Stedman - a debut novel set in post War I Australia, received 2 stars. Our chosen title for March is Ken Follett's 'Eve of the Needle'.

We meet once a month in each others homes, usually on a Wednesday afternoon, taking turns to host the meetings and choose the books. For more information telephone Penny on 01277 356182.

#### MARGARETTING FRIENDS

Our next meeting is our Annual General Meeting. It will be held in the Chelmer Room on Monday, 16th March at 7.30pm. We will be electing our new chair person and committee members.

The £10 prize for the Christmas Quiz was won by Shirley Childs of Mountnessing. Donations of cuddly toys welcome - any size but must be clean. The toys are needed for one of our community projects. For further information telephone Lynn on 01277 355575.

#### **OVER 60S CLUB**

The dates for our meetings this month are Wednesday 4th and 18th March. Rosemary will be leading the activities on the 4th and the Writtle Bell Ringers have been invited to join us on the 18th. Club meetings are held fortnightly on a Wednesday afternoon in the village hall from 2.30pm to 4.00pm. For more information contact Don or June on 01277 356126.

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#### VILLAGE HALL

We are pleased to announce that the refurbishment of the Gents toilets has now been completed. We hope everyone will appreciate the excellent work that has been carried out.

Unfortunately, over the Christmas period the lead flashing was taken from the roof and has caused damage to the fabric of the building. Accordingly this will need replacing and the police have recommended that we install security cameras. This will have to take priority over decorating the Ladies loos so we will be continuing to fund raise to pay for these projects. Please support us.

Do you have any photos of the village hall? Members of the village hall committee are looking for photos of the village hall in use which they can post on the village hall web site www.margarettingvillagehall.org.uk This is an ongoing build and will develop as the committee members get more information they can use.

## MARGARETTING **FRIENDS**



Invite you to a Village Coffee Morning Saturday, 21st March 10.00am to 12 noon in the Chelmer Room

Local honey and produce Bric a Brac and books Remus Charity Stall All Welcome

## MILLENNIUM OAK TREES

The parish council has been given two oak trees. Suggestions for suitable locations to plant these trees would be appreciated.

Telephone: 01277 350887

#### ONLY HELD ONCE A YEAR!

Are there any budding quizzers out there? Please support our village hall at our quiz night on Saturday, 14th March 2015 at 7pm. Fish and chips or other choice from fish shop - Tickets: Adults £8, Children £5. We want to keep our village hall in good condition so we can have events and clubs in the village. Tables can be made up on the night if you are on your own. Come and meet other village people.

Ring June Moore on 01277 356126 to tell us you are coming and what you would like ordered from the fish shop.

#### VILLAGE HALL BINGO

Bingo starts on Wednesday, 8th April in the village hall - 7.30pm for an 8 o'clock start. If you have never been to Bingo before and would like to give it a try you will be made most welcome to an evening of sociable fun. We meet fortnightly until Christmas.

#### MARGARETTING FAMILY FUN DAY - 11th JULY

We now have a Facebook page Day' where we are starting to add this year's attractions.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, 3rd called 'Margaretting Family Fun March at 7.30pm in the Black Bull. If anyone would like to attend you will be made very welcome. More help would be appreciated!

#### SUPPORTERS OF ST MARGARET'S CHURCH

Thank you to everyone who replied to the invitation to join this new group. To date we have forty members. Membership fees and donations received total £685. Suggested ideas for fund raising events include an art demonstration, a classical music concert, a 'posh tea' afternoon and a murder mystery evening - 'Who killed Cupid?' The last event will probably need some volunteer actors. Seven characters are listed in the script! Meanwhile, if you want to give a donation or join the support group please contact Penny Savill on 01277 356182.

Thank you for your support.

## FAMILY FUN DAY AND HORTICULTURAL SHOW SATURDAY, 11TH JULY - MARGARETTING VILLAGE HALL

With the Family Fun Day and Horticultural Show fast approaching here is a full list of all the horticultural classes to help you plan in advance any possible entries.

It is possible that many gardeners are too shy to enter exhibits in the horticultural show put off by the thought that those who exhibit are some kind of expert with secret knowledge and a special ability. Don't be afraid, they all had to start somewhere. If you've grown it and are proud of it, then show it! Remember in any show the exhibits that don't win a prize ticket are just as important as those that do. So what are you waiting for? Get Growing!

White Potatoes

**Coloured Potatoes** 

Onions, Unskinned (Seed Grown)

Onions, Unskinned (Set Grown)

**Shallots** 

Carrots

Courgettes

**Broad Beans** 

Pods of Peas

Cabbage

Beetroot

Lettuce

Chilli Peppers

Sticks of Rhubarb

Strawberries

Raspberries with Stalks

Bunches of Red or Blackcurrants

Three of any other Vegetable not listed

One Bloom, Large Flowered Rose, any Colour

One Stem of Most Fragrant Rose (Judged on Fragrance

alone)

Two Stems, Cluster Flowered Roses

Two Stems Old Fashioned Type Roses

Two Stems of Rambler and/or Climbing Roses

Six Sweet Peas

Three Stems of Herbaceous Perennials - Same Variety

A Single Stem of a Named Flowering Shrub

Collection of Herbs

Cactus or Succulent

Potted Plant

Collection of Mixed Herbaceous Perennials

Collection of Foliage from Trees and Shrubs

Helen Boem

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH UPDATE**

#### 14:00-15:45 13/12/2014

Stock Road, Stock

Items stolen from within secure vehicle – entry gained by smashing window

### 18:00 12/12/2014 - 08:40 15/12/2014

Ingatestone Road, Stock

Entry gained to an office by breaking door, keys obtained for outbuilding and items stolen from outbuilding

#### 08:00 17/12/2014 - 19:30 18/12/2014

Stock Lane, Stock

Water bowser stolen from field

#### 17:00 22/12/2014 - 08:00 23/12/2014

Main Road, Margaretting

Copper wiring stolen from property under construction

#### 16:00 24/12/2014 - 16:00 27/12/2014

Maldon Road, Margaretting

Dwelling burglary – entry gained by smashing kitchen window – items stolen

#### 14:00-14:30 30/12/2014

Small Gains Lane, Stock - Distraction burglary – suspect entered property and stole a quantity of money

#### 24/12/2014 - 07/01/2015

Wantz Road, Margaretting

Lead stolen from premises roof my means unknown

## 02:30 - 03:30 10/01/2015

Well Lane, Stock

Garage door forced open and two bikes stolen, one tricycle and one bicycle

#### 10:30-14:00 13/01/2015

Back Lane, Stock

Attempted burglary dwelling – attempt made to force side window causing it to crack – no entry gained

#### 12:00 13/01/2015

London Road, Widford

Theodolite stolen from insecure premises

If you witness any suspicious activities day or night, please report it as soon as possible.

Jemma Carr, PCSO 71018

South Woodham Ferrers Neighbourhood Policing Team Telephone 101 - ext 421001 Mobile No: 07711 147171 jemma.carr@essex.pnn.police.uk

## MALDON CONSTITUENCY IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM

JOHN WHITTINGDALE OBE MP

will be holding an

ADVICE BUREAUX

FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> MARCH at 5.00pm in Stock Village Hall Common Road, Stock, CM4 9NF FOR AN APPOINTMENT - RING 01621 855663

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### **VILLAGE AGENTS - ALL CHANGE**

Many of you will have known Brenda Smith, the former Village Agent in this area. Brenda has now retired and we have had a reshuffle, and I am your new agent. I live locally in Radley Green, have worked as an Agent for the last 5 years but in a different locality and hope I am a worthy replacement!

As well as this change, our whole service has undergone a bit of transformation. Village Agents are no more, and Community Agents Essex is here.

A partnership of four Voluntary and Community organisations - Rural Community Council of Essex, British Red Cross, Age UK Essex and Essex Neighbourhood Watch - has come together with Essex County Council to develop this targeted countywide solution to supporting older people

to remain independent for as long as possible. Community Agents will work with individuals to help them find/develop their own solutions to their issues from

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To take advantage of this free, confidential and trusted information service, please contact me directly on 07540 720 609 or Freephone 0800 977 5858 or local rate 01376 574341 to arrange a home visit.

Alternatively, you can email me on

jo.pike@caessex.org.uk or enquiries@caessex.org.uk I look forward to hearing from you.

Jo Pike, Community Agent for the Chignals, Good Easter, Highwood, Margaretting, Mashbury, Roxwell and Writtle.

## FRYERNING PARISH YOUTH COUNCIL

If you are aged between 11 and 18 years old and want to get involved in organising local events and helping to tackle local issues, the Ingatestone and Fryerning Parish Youth Council are recruiting new members. Members of the team meet on the first Thursday of every month with workshops between and are currently organising 'Y in the Park 2015' - an outdoor music concert in Ingatestone. To find out more, please contact Jordanne Wood (Vice Chairman) on 07530073658 or e-mail jordilly.wood@btinternet.com.

### SPANISH TUTORING

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GCSE tutoring, beginners' Spanish or a Holiday Crash Course
Learn at home or at a local location
Available week-nights and weekends
£5 - £7.50 an hour
Learn with Jordanne Wood
(A\* GCSE & IB Higher Spanish Student)
For enquiries, call or text 07530073658

## FACE PAINTING, PRETTY RINGS AND PARTY NAILS

In order to raise funds for some volunteering abroad next year and to gain some experience with children, I will be available week-nights and weekends to provide face painting, ring-making workshops and nails painting/decorating at children's parties. I charge between £5 and £7.50 an hour and can venture outside of Margaretting too. For enquiries, text or call 07530073658

Jordanne Wood \*\*

## Ingatestone & Fryerning Horticultural Society Outings 2015

Cambridge University Botanic Gardens 'Festival of Plants' Saturday 16 May 2015. Cost for coach and entrance: £20.00 IFHS member/£19 IFHS member - over 65 concession IFHS non-member: £23 and £22 respectively

#### East Ruston Old Vicarage Gardens, North Norfolk

Thursday 9 July 2015. Cost includes coach, 2 course meal and entrance to the Gardens, together with associated tips: £45 IFHS member/£48 non-member

#### **RHS Gardens Wisley**

Saturday 10 October 2015. Coach & entrance: £16 IFHS member/£19 non-member

For further information or to book please contact Ann Monk on 01277 352869; details of all outings can be found on the Society's website www.ifhs.org.uk

## **QUIZ NIGHT**

Saturday 14th March 2015 at 7.00pm

Margaretting Village Hall

In aid of the Refurbishment of the Gents toilet Fish and Chip Supper

Children welcome

Bring your own drinks

Tickets £8 each adults £5 each child Tables of 8 (Can be made up on the night)

Ring June on 01277 356126

## **EASTERN ANGLES**

Tuesday, 31st March at 7.30pm Margaretting Village Hall 'Oysters' by Ivan Cutting.

**Tickets £8 from Jennie Scott - telephone 01277 354821**Oysters is a tale of sex, boat-building and bivalve molluscs. Mo has just turned fifty and busy restoring an oyster dredger recovered from an Essex riverbed. Helping him bring the boat back to life is Kasey, a young intern with a chip on her shoulder. When a piece of Mo's beloved dredger goes missing their lives are up-ended and the past floats to the surface. A new play by Ivan Cutting based on oral history interviews developed as part of the *Pioneer Sailing Trust Land & Sea project*.

### **VILLAGE HALL ACTIVITIES**

#### What's on in March

Please note bookings are weekly unless otherwise stated.

#### **Mondays**

Pilates 9.30-10.30am and 7-8pm - Main Hall

Margaretting Friends 16 March - 7.30pm - Chelmer Room

AGM and knit and natter - all welcome

#### **Tuesdays**

Art Class 10am-2 noon and 2-4pm - Chelmer Room

No Art Class on 31 March

Barnraisers - 3 and 17 March - 9.30am-12 noon - Meeting Room

#### Wednesdays

Dance to Fitness 9.30-10.30am - Main Hall

French Class 10am-12 noon - Meeting Room

Archery Club - 4 March - 8pm - Chelmer Room

Over 60's Club 4 and 18 March - 2-4pm - Main Hall

Aerobics 18 March – 7-8pm Main Hall

#### **Thursdays**

Art Class 10am-12 noon - Chelmer Room

Pilates 9.30 - 10.30am and 7.30 - 8.30pm Main Hall

Village Hall Committee 5 March - 7.30pm - Meeting Room

Jazz Band Practice - 19 March - 7pm Chelmer Room

Parish Council 12 March - 7.30pm - Meeting Room

Essex Handicraft 26 March - 7pm - Chelmer Room

#### **Fridays**

Barnraisers 9 March - 9.30am-12 noon - Main Hall

#### Saturdays

Street Meet 14 March - 12 noon-Ipm - Parish Office

Parish Council Surgery 14 & 21 March - 11am-12 noon- Parish Office

Quiz Night 14 March - 7pm for 7.30pm start - Main Hall

Village Coffee Morning 21 March – 10am–12 noon - Chelmer Room

Audio Visual (photographic competition) 21 March – 9am–10pm – Main Hall

Children's Craft Class - 28 March - Ipm - 4pm - Chelmer Room

#### Sundays

Countess Owners Sailing Association AGM – I March 9am – 6pm –

Main Hai

Loose Threads Patchwork Group - 15 & 22 March - 9.30am - 6pm

Main Hall

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

## DIARY DATES

#### **CELEBRATING MARGARETTING 2015**

Saturday, 16th May - 1-4pm Margaretting Village Hall Art and Photographic Exhibitions Craft Stalls and Workshops Music and Games

#### **FAMILY FUN DAY**

Saturday, 11th July - 1-4pm Margaretting Village Hall

#### MARCH RECYCLING DATES

Black bins and food waste

**Every Tuesday** 

Green box and card sack

Tuesdays 10th and 24th March

Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons

Tuesdays 3rd, 17th and 31st March

#### MARGARETTING TYE

Black bins and food waste

Every Wednesday

Green box and card sack

Wednesdays 11th and 25th March

Brown bin, paper sack and bagged plastics & cartons

Wednesdays 4th and 18th March

#### STREET MEETS

PCSO Jemma Carr will be in the Parish Office - Village Hall Saturday 14th March 12noon to 1pm

#### **PARISH COUNCIL SURGERY**

A councillor will be in attendance in the Parish Office - Village Hall Saturday, 14th March and 21st March 11am - 12 noon

PARISH OFFICE TELEPHONE 01277 350887

MOBILE LIBRARY Fortnightly on Thursday afternoons, 5th and 19th March

at 2.15-2.30pm 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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