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Village News



Future Events

August

1			Playscheme starts
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3	8.00	pm	Gardening Club
6	10.00	am	URC Produce Stall
7	2-5 p	om	St. Mary's Church open
8			Cricket coaching starts
10	10-12	noor	n Royal British Legion Coffee
			Morning
10	2.30	pm	W.I. Joint Meeting
11	7.45	pm	Evening W.I.
13-14			Skip at Crafton Green
22			Tennis coaching starts
20	2.00	DM	Windmill Bank Holiday Fete

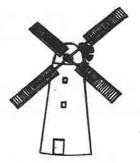
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1	8.00 pm	Local History Society
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3 3	10.00 am	Huw Johnson Garden Party
3	2.30 pm	Gardening Club Autumn Show
4	2-5 pm	St. Mary's Church open
5	7.30 pm	W.E.A. Pre-course meeting
5-8		Skip at Crafton Green
7	8.00 pm	Gardening Club
10	•	Friends of Essex Churches Cycle
		Ride
10	10 am - 6	pm St. Mary's Church Open
	20	Displays of flowers
11	2-5 pm	H H H H H H
	-	CTCACM
13	8.00 pm	C.T.S. A.G.M.
17		Healing Day at Quaker Meeting
		House
17		Bulb planting with Parish Council
18	9.00 am	Gardening Club annual outing
18	9 am - 1	pm Car Boot Sale at Mountfitchet
		High School
18	2.30 pm	Walks Week Walk 1
22	11.00 am	Walks Week Walk 2
24	10.00 am	Walks Week Walk 3
24	10.00 0	Bulb planting with Parish Council
	2-4 pm	Jumble Sale at Mountfitchet High
24	2-4 pm	**
		School School

October

14	
1	Bulb planting with Parish Council
2 10.00 am	Mountfitchet 10K Run & 5K Fun Run
2 6.00 pm	C.T.S. Harvest Service in St.
	Johns. Harvest Supper with
	entertainment
3-6	Skip at Crafton Green
6 8.00 pm	Local History Society
8	Bulb planting with Parish Council
8 8.00 pm	1st Stansted Scouts "Dance"
14	Royal British Legion Social
	Evening





Stansted Millers

The work on the mill means that this year's Bank Holiday Fete will move from its traditional site round the mill across the road to the mill field, but all the events and sideshows will be there, starting at 2 p.m. on Monday August 29th.

At the time of writing, the work on the mill has progressed very well. As was highlighted in last month's article, it was not known until work began how extensive some of the renovation work would need to be. Fortunately it has turned out to be much better than expected. The brickwork round the top of the mill, under the tracking for turning the cap, was thought to be unsound and would mean a lot of careful work, but it is largely free of problems. With this now out of the way the effort will progress to repairs on the tracking which would allow the cap to turn so the sails could face the wind.

Anticipating the completion of the work, there will be a grand reopening of the mill on October 1st followed by a Barn Dance at Mountfitchet School in the evening. Details for these events will be posted round the village closer to the date. If you are interested in tickets for the Barn Dance contact Malcolm Binder on 814069. Book early since numbers are limited and there is always a demand for tickets!

Dates for the diary:

Monday August 29th, 2.00 p.m. Bank Holiday Fete on Mill field (opposite the mill) Saturday October 1st Grand Mill Reopening Barn Dance at Mountfitchet High School Saturday November 5th Bonfire and Fireworks Mountfitchet High School (all proceeds in aid of the windmill appeal).

Mountfitchet High School JUMBLE SALE Saturday 24th September



2.00 pm - 4.00pm Admission 20p Refreshments Available



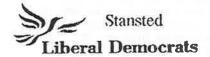
Stansted Afternoon

The speaker at our meeting on 13th July was Mrs. Jean Gumbrell well known for her articles in the Saffron Walden Weekly News. She told us fascinating stories of haunted houses in and around Saffron Walden. Whether we believed in ghosts or not was immaterial since her stories were so interesting and illustrated with delightful photographic slides of the houses she spoke about.

After tea Ann Calver gave us a very informative and interesting report on the Tri-ennial meeting at Birmingham which she attended as our representative, and clearly enjoyed.

Next month is our joint meeting with the evening Institute when we hope they will join us at 2.30 p.m. on 10th August to hear Ms Pettitt give a talk entitled "Lady Aware".

The competition is "A Humourous Holiday Photo ".



Happily the sun shone on our annual barbecue/garden party which this year was held on June 19th at Blythwood Hall. Once again this proved to be a very popular and successful event.

Thanks to everyone who helped make this such an enjoyable day, especially Michael and Marion Dyer for allowing us the use of their most attractive garden.

The treasure hunt on July 17th proved to be great fun for all ages. We set off on foot from Crafton Green and after a 'hunt' around the village we returned to the Day Centre for a delicious cream tea.

Forthcoming Events:

August 13th (12 noon - 2 p.m.) Ploughman's Lunch September 10th (12 noon - 2 p.m.) Ploughman's Lunch at the Day Centre, Crafton Green

September 24th, 7.30 p.m., Annual Branch Quiz at the Day Centre, Crafton Green

If you would like more information about the Liberal Democrats or would simply like to support us or our events please contact:

Frances Spalding - 813432 Jane Freeman - 814084 Steve Riley - 815455.



Stansted Evening

As our July meeting fell on Bastille Day it seemed appropriate to celebrate France's National Holiday in some way. Whether Anglo-French relations were improved or ruined by this celebration remains to be seen but our members will long remember July 14th 1994.

For a start we were dressed in what we were pleased to suppose was the French manner and after admiring one another's ingenuity we boarded our coach for a mystery tour and destination. Some members brought cardigans for the Channel crossing but were persuaded that we couldn't fit it all in on one evening.

With various French phrases to the driver we set off into the wilds of Cambridgeshire for our tour. It was a fine evening and the seat of a coach proved to be a splendid vantage point for viewing the high tech industry, beautiful villages, ugly set aside and rose filled gardens of this county of contrasts.

Our destination was Bottisham where members of the W.I. welcomed us into a 'tricoloured' hall. Some months earlier we had entertained Bottisham's members to supper in Stansted and this was a return visit. Tables were laid and decorated with French national colours and we sat down to French bread, cheeses, quiche and salad.

The hostesses had also organised three games which caused some hilarity and a raffle for wine, cheese and artichokes was drawn. The evening passed all too quickly and as we piled back into the coach, promises were made to meet again in the not too distant future.

Everyone agreed that the evening had been a great success and we think Roy our driver enjoyed it too. Thanks Roy for wearing your striped jersey even if it was only during supper!

Our next meeting will be August 11th and will be a talk by a solicitor. No doubt we will all be educated!! Why not come and join us at St. John's Hall at 7.45 p.m.? You'll be made most welcome.

Pearl Wellings

Thesday Keep Fit Classes St John's Church Hall

Tuesday 6 September 1994 8.15pm - 9.15pm Everybody welcome.

Further enquiries, please telephone:

Oueenie Brown 812816





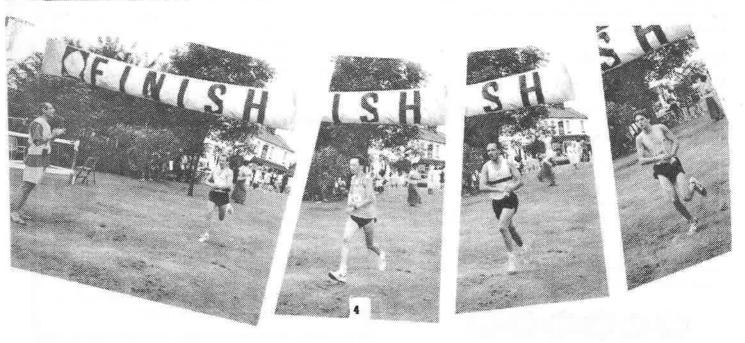


The June Fun Run in Stansted which attracted 250 entrants was a major success. Runners and walkers of all ages from near and far congregated on Bentfield Green for the start. The challenging route commenced through the residential streets of Stansted and meandered across scenic countryside finishing at Bentfield Green. Participants were welcomed back to the Green with a refreshing free drink from the Rose and Crown. The Bar-B-Que and glorious weather all helped to make the day a happy and cheerful community event.

We estimate that the event raised £1,600.00 and this will be divided equally between three charities:

Local, National, International, Essex Branch of the Red Cross; National Children's Home; Voluntary Services Overseas.

Many thanks to the dedicated committee and to all supporters and sponsors. Particular thanks to Allders Duty-Free shops, Barclays Bank PLC Stansted, B.A.A., Concept Colour, Hassiobury Estate, Hilton National Hotel, Millway Stationery, The Rose and Crown Stansted, Stansted Police and Parish Council and the Stansted Carnival Committee.





Gardening is not all weeding you know. Why not join us on the first Wednesday of each month at our meetings in the Crafton Green Day Centre. We start at 8 p.m. Qualified speakers on a large range of gardening subjects are booked to come and talk to us each month. Among the subjects covered in our current season will be -

- Making the most of your vegetable garden with Christine Walkden - of TV and Radio fame.
- 2. A year in the life of a hedgerow.
- 3. Bonsai growing and care.

Plus many more.

Come for a sample meeting. It only costs 75p.

July Meeting

Emma Jackson from Borde Hill Gardens was our visiting speaker this month. Mrs. Jackson is the Head Gardener at this estate in Sussex. An informative talk was supported by a presentation of slides. This garden looks well worth a visit. It is open Easter to October every day. The house itself is not open to the public.

Our monthly competition for members was a potted geranium and this was won by Cyril Stoneham.

August Meeting - Wednesday 3rd at 8 p.m.

Speaker Miss Christine Walkden, from TV and Radio Gardening Programmes, on "Making the most of your vegetable garden".

Members competition - Six Dwarf Beans.

Autumn Show

Make a note in your diary now. September 3rd at the United Reformed Church Hall. Public admitted free from 2.30 p.m. Raffle and refreshments.

Members entries for this show must be in the hands of the Show Secretary or Treasurer by Wednesday 31st August at the latest. All exhibits to be staged before 11 a.m. to allow judging to commence on time.

September Meeting - Wednesday 7th at 8 p.m.

Speaker - Mr. F. Etheridge - A year in the life of a Hedgerow.

Members competition - A stem of berried shrub.

Raffle and refreshments.

WANT A DAY OUT IN THE GARDEN OF ENGLAND?

The Mountfitchet Garden Club's annual trip this year is to Brogdale, near Faversham, Kent, on Sunday, September 18th, leaving Stansted at 9 a.m. and arriving back about 5.30 p.m. Brogdale is the home of the National Fruit collection and has 4000 varieties of apples, pears, plums, cherries and all kinds of fruit as well as soft fruits and nuts. Our visit coincides with their Autumn Show which will include floral art displays, a craft marquee with exhibits and displays and much more.

A limited number of seats are available, cost £6.50, including entrance fee. If you wish to book please phone visit organiser Paul Lableton (812627) or Janet Townsend (812593).





Stansted Carnival - We were very excited to hear that our "Rescue a Castaway" was judged best stall in the Carnival. It made all the hard work and the dressing up worthwhile.

None of this would have been possible without the generosity of so many people who contributed bottles, and once again we say thankyou.

As the term draws to an end we still have our annual beat trip to look forward to and, of course, our Garden Party on September 3rd at 62 Chapel Hill, beginning at 10 a.m. As in the past, we will be providing an excellent lunch at a very reasonable price during the day. Further details will appear on the village noticeboards in due course.

On July 7th, Broome End Nursing Home once again allowed us to use their grounds for our "Sports Day". This year the staff prepared a barbecue for us, much to the delight of our members. Sports day took on a new form this year and instead of running races we pegged clothes on the line, built towers with bricks, scored goals and slung wellies. We ended with a relay race which completely overturned the final result. Until then Denise's team was winning but they were beaten by three points when our youngest team with an average age of about 7 years had a resounding win in the relay. Needless to say, everyone who took part won prizes so everyone was happy. A big thankyou to "Broome End" for a lovely evening.

Our thoughts are full of our forthcoming summer holiday to Cleethorpes. We leave on August 20th and return on August 27th. We have planned a trip to York and other places of interest. We will report on this in our next news bulletin.

See you all on September 3rd. M. G. Johnson

Stansted Mountfitchet Parish Council

Clerk: Mrs Ruth Clifford Office Hours: Monday to Friday 1000 a.m. to 100 p.m.



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Playscheme

Please note that the sessions to be held at the Community Education Centre from 1st - 26th August run from 10.00 a.m. - 12 noon and 1.30 - 3.30 p.m. - £1.00 per session.

Coaching

Cricket 8th-12th and 15th-19th August.
Tennis 22nd-26th August.
Each one hour session costs £2.50 - contact the Clerk for a booking form.



Bulb Planting

Advance warning we have set aside 4
Saturday mornings to plant bulbs - 17th and
24th September and 1st and 8th October. We
have nearly 2000 bulbs to plant this year, so
if you can spare an hour on one (or more) of
these dates, please contact Sheila Parry
(814788) or the Clerk. Alternatively, if you
cannot help physically, donations towards the
cost of the bulbs would be gratefully received
at the Council Offices!

Skip Dates

Saturday & Sunday, 13th and 14th August Monday 5th - Thursday 8th September Monday 3rd - Thursday 6th October.



Walks Week - 18th-25th September

Health Promotion, Chelmsford and Essex Centre, are organising their fourth Annual Walks Week. This year, for the first time, the event will be extended to incorporate the whole of North Essex. Last year in North East Essex, 41 parishes took part, 76 walks were organised and 1600 walkers took part.

This year there will be a prize and publicity for the parish which has the highest participation rates in North Essex. Stansted Parish Council has been invited to take part, and has organised 3 walks of different distances to cater for varying abilities:-

Walk One - Sunday 18th September, 2.30 p.m.

Meet at Fountain, 3/4 miles on lanes. The route will follow walk no. 1 from "Saunters Round Stansted", compiled by Joan Turner in 1981. During the walk we will look for the autumn fruits as described by Felix in The Link, October 1990. Leader - Tony Wellings 813614.

Walk Two - Thursday 22nd September, 11.00 a.m.

Meet at Bentfield Green (Duck Pond), 7/8 miles in the Manuden direction. Bring your flask and sandwiches. Leader - Brenda Ryan 812725.

Walk Three - Saturday 24th September, 10.00 a.m.

Meet at Mountfitchet High School, 13/14 miles around the Airport via the Flitch Way. Lunch stop at The Three Horseshoes, Molehill Green, or bring your own. Leader - Terry Hopkins 813714.

If you are interested in improving your health, even for one day, then come along and help us to make the Walks Week a success by getting "More People, More Active, More Often".

For further details, please contact the leader direct.

W.E.A.

The outing to view the archaeological dig at Maldon, which was postponed from earlier this year, will now take place on Saturday, September 3rd. All members will have been informed.

On Monday September 5th we will be holding a short pre-course meeting to get to know Mr. John Harries who will be our turor for "Behind the Headlines", our autumn course. This meeting will be held at the Day Centre, starting at 7.30 p.m. and will be open to all WEA members and anyone wishing to hear more about the course.

"Behind the Headlines" will be different from courses we have held recently and was our top choice when we selected our future programme last spring. Its aim is to learn more about and to discuss the background to events in the news, both in the U.K. and overseas. Some topics could include:- Current British attitudes to Europe and the European Community; to the United Nations; to Hong Kong and China; the development of modern Africa, including the situation in South Africa; the future of the Royal Family; the role of the U.S.A. in world affairs. A lot will depend on current news stories but Mr. Harries will provide articles and reports for reading and will encourage discussion and participation by members.

The ten week course will start a bit later than usual, on 3rd October, so please make a note in your diaries. Full details will be given in the next issue of "Link" but if you have any queries on any WEA matter please ring Jean McBride, 812214.

WOMEN'S

Royal British Legion



The meeting held in June was a Group Meeting. 40 ladies attended and the speaker was Mr. Unwin of Cambridge who spoke to us about his adventures at the outbreak of the war. He was 19 when he joined the army. He has written several books about his travels and experiences.

The Branch have received a generous donation from the W.I. for fresh flowers for the Memorial. Thankyou ladies, it is most appreciated.



There will be a

COFFEE MORNING

10 a.m. - Noon

Wednesday 10th August

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For further information please contact:
Mr C Hicks
Rosemary House
The Downs, Gt Dunmow
Telephone Gt Dunmow (0371) 876970

Miss Gold of the Ravens, Stansted, kindly opened her gardens on Sunday 25th June for the benefit of Legion Funds. It was a glorious afternoon and those who attended enjoyed a most convivial afternoon. Our grateful thanks must be expressed to Miss Gold.

Poppy Appeal

We will be holding a Social Evening on Friday 14th October at the Crafton Green Centre in aid of the Poppy Appeal when awards will be presented for long service support. Please keep this date free and join us. More details will be advertised later.

As always we are looking for more volunteers for the sale of poppies. If you can help please contact Bob Stoddart, 28 Sunnyside, Stansted, tel. 814015 or John Segar, tel. 813289.

Mountfitchet High School CARBOOT SALE Sunday 18th September



9.00 am - 1.00 pm £6.00 on the day Refreshments Available





Stansted Mountfitchet Local History Society

A new season of meetings starts on Thursday 1st September when Maurice Ancell will talk on Old Berden. Thursday 6th October brings Essex Disasters by Mrs. Jones and Thursday 3rd November is on the history of some Local Businesses.

All these meetings at 8 p.m. in the Day Centre.

Subscriptions are only £3 per annum, £2 for Senior Citizens and Juniors, and a visitors fee of 75p per evening.

For further information please contact Peggy Honour, (0279) 813160, and look out for posters on the noticeboards.





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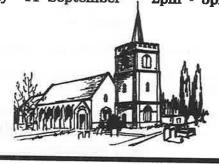
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DAY STAY APPEAL

You may remember that in December last year an Appeal was launched to raise £200,000 to equip the new Day Stay Unit currently under construction at Princess Alexandra Hospital, Harlow.

The new building is well underway and is on schedule for completion in September.

The new Unit, which will deal with 90% of children's operations as well as all minor surgery from hernias to cataracts, from varicose veins to joint operations, from tonsils to chemotherapy and blood transfusions, will be important to all members of our community and it is vital that it is fully equipped from the start.

However, we are still a long way from our target and we need your help. If you have not yet considered helping, please do so now. We need sponsored efforts, fundraising events, donations, anything you can think of.

Please make your donations payable to Day Stay Appeal and send to Day Stay Appeal Office, Herts & Essex Hospital, Haymeads Land, Bishop's Stortford, CM23 5JH.

Thank you.

Gillian Carter Appeal Committee 0279 503288





"The Bee" was written by Jan Searle who used to work in the library with Mrs. Etheridge. In those days the library was in the Council Offices in Lower Street (now the accountants).

THE BEE

Now I'll tell you a tale and I swear it's true And you wouldn't think it funny if it happened to you.

Whilst driving along on the A one one Λ bee flew in the window which was open to the \sup .

It flew around, it buzzed off and on Then there was silence, and we thought it had gone.

Suddenly Frank gave a mighty shriek, Stopped the car and leapt out in the street,

Whipped off his trousers and shook them in the air
"The bloody thing's stung me, can you see it there?"

I said "Where has it stung you, are you alright?"
He said "Very nearly privately, just not quite."

The Bee was on his seat, it was dead poor thing, It must have passed away when it lost its sting.

Everyone was laughing as they passed on their way
Seeing Frank dancing there must have made

their day.

Well, he did look funny in his little short pants
His dark blue socks and his thin white shanks.

I gave him some onion to rub on the spot, I don't know if it's any good, I've heard it helps a lot.

I was scared the police would arrive any minute, A little Panda car with two cops in it.

"Indecent exposure" they'd say, very grim,
"You can't do that there 'ere, we'll have to
run you in".

They didn't as it happened and we went on our way,
A staid old couple out for the day.

Now I've told you this tale and I swear it's true,

But you wouldn't think it funny if it happened to you.



STANSTED CARNIVAL 25 JUNE 1894







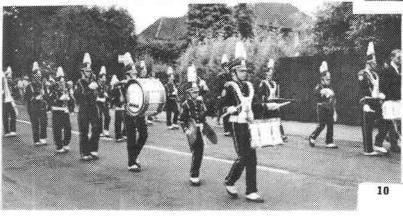
Participation was the name of the game in the afternoon with Mums and Dads and children joining in the family games in the arena, Mike the Clown provided stilt walking and fire juggling for the adventurous!

After a rainy start the sun finally came out at lunch time, just as the procession of floats left Bentfield Green. The floats were bright and colourful and the interpretation of the theme "Stansted Through the Ages" varied from war time Stansted to far flung destinations accessible from Stansted Airport. Hours of hard work by Mums, Dads and Youth Leaders payed off in providing an entertaining procession through the village with marching bands and majorettes adding to the atmosphere.

There was a plethora of stalls and attractions at Mountfitchet High School. A&A Driving School had a steady stream of customers, the Scouts sweated over a burger BBQ, whilst Mountfitchet PTA provided cream teas for those with a sweeter tooth.

As well as fun for everyone a large amount of money was raised on the day. A generous street collection was raised for "The Stansted Needy Children Trust Fund" and individual organisations were able to raise funds for their own concerns whilst providing a pleasant backdrop for a village event.









Aid to the Poor



Save the Children



RE-LAUNCH OF STANSTED RAP

Stansted RAP was formed in September 1993 as a sub-committee of Churches Together in Stansted. Leaflets were delivered and the first regular donations, either by Direct Debit or monthly envelopes, began in October.

Since then we have had eight months of contributions. As the interim accounts show we have raised £2014.96, composed of £1086.96 envelopes, £638.00 standing orders and £290.00 donations.

A total of £1917.60p has been paid to the three recipient charities, Oxfam, Save the Children and the Red Cross, chosen because they both respond to crises and sustain work throughout the year.

If you are not a contributor and would like to be involved please read the enclosed leaflet, fill in the details and return to 13 St. John's Road.

Thankyou for all your continued support.

David Morson Chairman of RAP Sub-committee

STANSTED REGULAR AID TO THE POOR - INTERIM ACCOUNTS FROM 1 SEPT 1993 TO 30 JUNE 1994

Payments into bank of envelopes

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30 Nov		50.31	35.05								85.36
10 Jan		9.50	47.50	3.00							60.00
		7.00	65.55	82.44	2.00						156.99
2 Feb		5.00	6.00	39.21	79.05						134.26
9 Mar		8.50	3.50	3.56	18.66	69.75					103.97
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CHURCHES TOGETHER Stansted





ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This will be held on Tuesday 13th September at 8 p.m. in the United Reformed Church Hall. All are welcome.



On Sunday 2nd October the Harvest Service will be at St. John's Church at 6 p.m. followed by a Harvest Supper and Entertainment in St. John's Hall. Tickets are £3 adults, £2 children, £10 a family ticket, and are available from the churches.





BRADWELL 1994

Saturday July 2nd Another sunny day was with us as we prepared to make our way to Bradwell for the annual ecumenical pilgrimage. As usual the domestic arrangements did not go as planned the night before and we were late leaving Stansted; thoughts of "hope the traffic around Chelmsford doesn't hold us up", but we need not have worried, we arrived safe and sound and with some time to sort ourselves out.

As usual all the pilgrims gathered at St. Thomas' to be welcomed by the Bishop of Bradwell, the Rt. Rev. Laurie Green, for a short service and to hear the theme of this year's pilgrimage "Community within God — in creation — with Heaven — at Home — with other Christians".

From St. Thomas', led by the four Bishops, we walked to the Chapel of St. Peter on the Wall. This year the pilgrimage had a strong Celtic flavour and as we approached St. Peter's we were each given a stone and a candle and as we entered the field where the service was to be held we were encouraged to form a circle around the lectern.

The Bishop of Bradwell once again welcomed all the pilgrims and explained what the stone and the candle were for. The service then followed. The address was given by Rev. Robert Van De Weyer, leader of the "Community of Christ the Sower", Little Gidding.

In between the readings and hymns, a folk dance group performed while we chanted "Dance and sing all the earth, Gracious is the Hand that tends you; Love and care everywhere God on purpose sends you".

Later on during the service, a drama was performed by members of the U.R.C. Church. Chelmsford entitled "Belonging". At the peace all the pilgrims, now some 2,000, all held hands or linked arms and the feeling of "Harmonia" could be felt all around.

As the morning service came to a close we were invited to bring our stones to build a cairn, and to place our candles on a map of Essex showing where we came from, so Stansted was represented at Bradwell.

I could write more, but I wont. Come to Bradwell next year and find out for yourselves. The date, Saturday July 1st, time 11.00 a.m., where? St. Thomas', Bradwell. SEE YOU THERE. GOD BLESS.

Joan & Francis



Roman Catholic

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Services:

Sunday Masses -Henham 9.00 a.m. Stansted 10.30 a.m.

Holy Days -Henham 7.00 p.m. Stansted 8.00 p.m.

Jericho has been very much in the news recently; with the return of Yassir Arofat, thousands of people took to the streets, giving him a frenzied welcome; hoping his return would change things in their lives and bring a new dawn to an oppressed and forgotten people.

The day Jesus came to Jericho there were no cameras or helicopters, but there were the same crowds of people to welcome and listen to the new prophet, who brought the good news to the poor.

To avoid the crowds Zacchaeus climbed a tree and waited for Jesus to pass by, but Jesus did not pass by, he made the first move, he took the initiative, calling him to come down, showing him acceptance by staying in his house.

Jesus acts like this in our lives. He loves us first, he comes knocking at the door of our lives, but he waits for us to open the door to him. He does not take our freedom away, but waits to be let in.

Zacchaeus responded to Jesus with joy and became a man renewed and transformed by Christ's love. If we allow Jesus to come into our lives and homes he will transform our lives even though we are far from perfect.

If Jesus were to arrive in Jericho today, would his presence attract the same frenzied attention as today's political leaders? Perhaps, but his message would be very different. It would be one of love, acceptance, gentleness, consolation and forgiveness; to come to a deeper knowledge of each other and through that to love and real friendship.

Eileen Quinn



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Services:

Holy Communion 8.00 am Parish Communion 9.30 am

(Creche, Children's

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(1st Sun excl August) Evensong

6.30 pm

Holy Communion is also celebrated on:

Monday Wednesday Friday

7.30 pm 10.00 am 9.00 am

DIARY

August

11.15 am Service at Broome End 10.30 am Service at Norman Court Service at Mead Court 10.30 am Tuesday Club at 10 Hargrave 2.00 pm Close

September

2	10.30 am	Service at Norman Court
6	8.15 pm	Prayer Group at 9 Hargrave
		Close
7	11.15 am	Service at Broome End
10		Friends of Essex Churches Cycle
		Ride
11	6.30 pm	Evensong at St. Mary's
12	8.00 pm	PCC in the Upper Room
13	10.30 am	Service at Mead Court
	2.15 pm	Tiny Tots
18	11.00 am	Family Service
27	2-15 pm	Tiny Tots

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18th June

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6th June James Allen Kemp Levey, aged 85
10th June Viola Jean Wilson, aged 72
17th June Eileen Prentice, aged 74
27th June Dorothy Maud Lawrence, aged 76
29th June Laura Shaw, aged 74
30th June Kate Payne, aged 83

FAMILY SERVICE

Starting on Sunday 18th September, there will be a Family Service at St. John's Church at ll a.m. on the 3rd Sunday of every month (except August). This will be in addition to our normal services and we hope that it will meet a need in our pattern of services.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

The Patronal Festival Evensong for the Feast of St. Mary will be held on Sunday 11th September at 6.30 p.m.

AUGUST HOLIDAYS

Several organisations do not meet in this holiday month. Church services are as usual except for:

NO 12.15 p.m. First Sunday Holy Communion (7th August)

NO 7.30 p.m. Holy Communion on Bank Holiday (29th August)

CHURCH KNEELERS

Rev. Margaret Booker will soon be ordering more sets of sewing kits for Church kneelers. In particular, 8 more kneelers are needed to completely fill the two main aisles in St. John's Church. If anyone would be able to sew a kneeler, Margaret would love to hear from you by August when she hopes to send off the new order. If you are unable to sew but would like to donate a kit for sewing please let Margaret know. A catalogue is available showing the designs and prices. Please ring 812684 for more details.

Society of Friends

Quaker Meeting House, Chapel Hill

Clerk:

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Meeting for worship:

11am

PRAYER AND LIFE

Do you make a place in your daily life for inward retirement and waiting upon God, that you may learn the full meaning of prayer and the joy of communion with Him? And do you live in daily dependence upon his help and guidance?

(Query 8 of London Yearly Meeting, 1928)

All of life would become a prayer. If we knew how to listen to God, if we knew how to look around us, our whole life would become prayer. For it unfolds under God's eyes and no part of it must be lived without being freely offered to him words are only a means. However, the silent prayer which has moved beyond words must always spring from everyday life, for everyday life is the raw material of prayer.

(Michael Quoist : Prayers of Life)

D.C.

HOLISTIC HEALING

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There will be sessions at 7.30 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month, beginning on SEPTEMBER 5TH.

Please ring 0279 651383 or 0279 656707 for further details and appointments.

A <u>Healing Day</u> will be held at the Meeting House on Saturday, 17th September. Please contact Anthea Lee, 0279 656707, for further details.



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Services: 11 a.m. each Sunday

For details of services at Clavering and Newport please ring the Group Secretary.

For some months now we have been considering the state of our buildings, and at a recent Church Meeting we made the following resolutions.

- 1. We resolve as the Church Meeting of Stansted Group of the United Reformed Church to sustain the life of the Church in Stansted in the witness of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- 2. We resolve to continue our worship and witness on the present site of Stansted U.R.C. but not necessarily in the buildings in their present form.

So far, no decisions have been made on what work will be done, whether the church will be put in a good state of repair or whether the opportunity will be taken to modernise and improve the buildings.

Whatever the final decision, we shall be faced with considerable expense and our thoughts are already turning to fund raising. A small beginning will be made on 6th August when we shall have a cake and produce stall at the foot of the churchyard steps on Chapel Hill between 10 and 11.30 a.m. (If wet in the church porch). From then on we hope to be there on the first Saturday of each month. Please support us.

PREACHERS FOR AUGUST

7th 11 am Rev. E. McIlwain

14th 11 am Rev. Lydia Rapkin Communion

21st 11 am Mr. M. Dyer

28th 11 am Rev. Lydia Rapkin

SEPTEMBER

4th 11 am Mrs. M. King Family Service

11th 11 am Rev. M. McKay

18th 11 am Rev. Lydia Rapkin Communion

25th 11 am Rev. Lydia Rapkin Harvest





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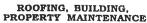
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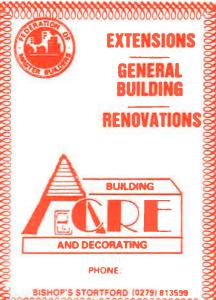
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