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EDITORIAL



Thank you so much to Carole Gray for the lovely photo of the trio of peacocks. They are based at Mountfitchet Castle, but they often wander further afield, especially towards evening, when they are looking for a place to roost; so do not be surprised if they perch on your garage roof overnight. At a guess, I would say that there are two peahens in the group and one peacock; the white hen is quite unusual. Their iconic and plaintive calls resound throughout the village quite early till late at night at this time of year.

Two of the topics discussed by me in the June Editorial feature again in this month's issue: Stansted Airport and the Pennington Lane controversy. Against expectation, the airport expansion is going ahead in terms of an increase in numbers of passengers; see p 11. On that page you will also see a plea from Tracey against the horrible habit of fly tipping; that theme is highlighted again in the article from Farnham Primary School on p 19, where some of the students have been collecting litter. The problem appears to have increased under lockdown, especially with the disposable paper masks. As for Pennington Lane – the topic is explained on two of the Stansted Network pages (20 and 21). It would be so great if David could win this particular battle against Goliath! Wishing a very happy summer to all our readers.

LOWER STREET PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

During June 2012 I conducted a short survey asking about 85 people who passed me near the Social Club if they wanted and needed a pedestrian crossing close to the Club; all but three people supported this need saying it was urgent.



Today we have the finishing touches to this much needed pedestrian crossing, as can be seen in the photo. We can now cross this very busy road safely. It has taken nine years almost to the day. Peter Jones, Ruth Clifford and Ray Gooding, many thanks for your help and to the owner of Castle Maltings who paid for it.

Ray Woodcock

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I am sure that Loki's poem in the April Link encouraged this project along to its eventual completion.

Ed

GORDON'S 100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

On Friday 21st May, our parishioner Gordon Barrett celebrated his 100th birthday. He attended mass at St Theresa's with his daughter Gillian and was applauded as he entered the church. After mass, Father Lee presented Gordon with a Papal Blessing. Later, together with Fr Lee, group photos were taken on the steps leading to Our Lady's Garden. We also viewed the two RAF Service medals which he earned in WWII. Later that morning he was taken to Andrewsfield, where he enjoyed a birthday party in a large marquee. Unfortunately, the planned flight in a Tiger Moth was cancelled due to inclement weather, but as compensation he was given a thirty-minute flight in a B737 Simulator. He was presented with life membership of the Cambridge Flying Club.

When he got home, he received an envelope containing a photograph and signature of Her Majesty the Queen wishing Gordon congratulations on his 100th birthday. On Saturday evening, Gordon joined the family at his son's house in Stansted for a family meal with his son Jeremy, daughter Gillian, and grand-daughters Christine and Andrea. The next morning, Sunday, he attended mass at St Theresa's with Gillian and Jeremy. It was his late wife Eileen's anniversary and the mass was being said for that intention. Later that morning, he was driven to Hunsdon Airfield accompanied by his family, where a grand barbeque had been laid on by the staff, and he cut a giant birthday cake decorated with 100. During the visit he took a flight in a C42 with his friend and Chief Flying Instructor Reg Barber. It was a great and wonderful birthday. Monday 24th May was recuperation and rest day! Gordon, I wish you every health and happiness now and for the future.

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STANSTED MOUNTFITCHET U3A

www.U3Asites.org.uk/stansted

Last month the Stansted U3A Committee was delighted to be able to hold its first in person meeting since March 2020. They have appreciated monthly Zoom meetings but to meet face-to-face was a great joy for them and they were able to make good headway on organising future meetings and to discuss theatre and concert outings and other trips out. The first walk of the year was led by Sally Rich as Tony Wellings is unable to lead at the moment. He came to see us off, however, to encourage us at the start of our 4½ mile circular walk and to tell us to look out for the cowslips, bluebells, wildflowers and orchids on our way from Bentfield Green to Wakelings Wood. One of the highlights of the walk was seeing a buzzard being harried by a crow. What you might call a 'little and large' moment! We are hoping to have another two guided walks with Kate Birbeck, a local historian, as the one on 2nd June was oversubscribed. Those of you who expressed an interest in *Walking in the footsteps of the Victorian Gardner Family of Stansted Hall* are on a waiting list so please look out for an email from Lynda Webb with the dates.



At the monthly meeting on **Thursday 15th July 1.30pm** for 2.00pm in St John's Hall, our speaker Alan Hayes will give a talk on *Baby Boomer Nostalgia Show*. A Saturday Seminar is planned for **17th July 9.30am-12.30pm** in the Free Church Hall on *The History of Navigation*. If you are not already a member, we would be very pleased to hear from you. Membership is only £12 this year and details can be found on our website. All events are subject to Government guidelines.

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THANK YOU

However they came, by Royal Mail, by hand, by telephone or electronically, the wealth of good wishes received for my 90th birthday in May was a huge lift in these socially distanced days. Thanking everyone in person is just not possible, so the best way is via The Link. It is good to know that the old way of communicating village news - Stansted Grapevine - is still in splendid working order! My thanks to everyone, until we can all meet safely once more.

Audrey Rodgers

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Six Tips to Improve your Mental Health over the Summer

Get outside

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Enjoy your holiday time

Summer holiday times are an opportunity to focus on yourself and your family. So rather than wearing yourself out with DIY and garden projects, spend some unwinding and enjoying time away from your to-do lists.

Get away from home

Whether it's a day-trip, overnight getaway or a long holiday, getting away and experiencing a change in scenery is a great way to unwind and re-focus your energy. Enjoy those present moments.

Keep up your sleeping habits

Just because school is out and the evenings are light, it does not mean you should ignore your need for sleep. Eight to ten hours a day is an essential component of our mental health.

Stay active

Whether it is going to the gym, signing up for a yoga class or taking a walk outside, physical activity is known to boost your mood.

Keep talking!

Sharing with others is vital for good mental health. Keep in touch with friends or join one of our new groups. Everyone is welcome to get in touch with our team whatever your situation or state of mind. Throughout the summer we will be launching new opportunities for people to meet, talk and share worries and burdens. Our Men's Shed project launches in July and we are planning a range of classes. Look out for announcements on our website, email us or join us on Facebook www.facebook.com/groups/letstalkstansted.

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End-of-life Care

During the Covid-19 pandemic, my team stepped up to care for dying patients; it is very important to support people to die in the place they wish. We need more specialist nurses for people with complex life-limiting illnesses, and the Hospice is campaigning to raise funds through our *Nurses are Needed* campaign which was launched in May. When I go to care for someone at home, I am a guest. It is a privilege to be invited in and to care for someone in their own surroundings. I am driven by the fact that, more often than not, home is the right place for someone to be cared for at the end of their life. This is a pathway that we cannot control or stop; however we can make the journey as pain free and as dignified as possible. For me there is one family that I will never forget. It was right at the start of the pandemic and there was a lot of anxiety surrounding the situation at the time. A patient with Covid was being cared for at home; she was dying, and she refused to go to hospital. I was the first person to visit her and make an assessment. She was not old, but her breathing was bad; it was clear that she was going to die. It then unfolded that the patient's partner also had Covid, and that he was dying as well. We found out that he was being sent back from hospital so that he too could be cared for at home. In my 20 years as a nurse I have never nursed two dying patients side-by-side in a double bed. That in itself was a huge challenge for us as a team. The hospice-at-home healthcare assistants all agreed to help, proud to go in and do their job caring for this couple. It was very difficult, both emotionally and physically and such a sad situation. Both patients had quite severe needs, so we had to work closely together with the district nurses to care for them but we did it. The couple died together, at home.



There are only three trained nurses in the team, so the more nurses with the skills and knowledge to support people at the end of life, the more people we can help. At the moment, the district nurses offer the main nursing provision for end-of-life patients in our area, as well as having to care for other patients with different illnesses. As specialists in end-of-life care nursing, St Clare would be better placed to give that care. Having more qualified nurses in the team throws the door open to a more knowledgeable and

experienced service which reaches more people. We are seeing much more complex cases now, and we need to be focusing on giving more in-depth care to meet people's needs and that requires more nurses. You can find out more about the *Nurses are Needed* campaign and donate, on our website.

Anne Pemberton
Hospice-at-Home Team Leader

Open Gardens

This summer our perennially popular Open Gardens event is back for its 27th year and will be taking place safely in person, after last year's event had to take place virtually.



The event will take place on weekends throughout June and July, giving green-fingered fans more than a dozen gardens to explore in aid of the Hospice, and is sponsored by Land Sheriffs. Horticultural enthusiasts will get a chance to explore some of the best-kept green spaces in West Essex and East Hertfordshire. Entry is £3 per garden or group of gardens, payable on the gate. Tea, cakes and lunches are available in many of the gardens. For details call Dan Bailey on 773738 or email: dan.bailey@stclarehospice.org.uk.

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HUW JOHNSON CLUB

This month we want to pay tribute to two of our founding volunteers. Tom Johnson, who passed away recently at the age of 92, founded the Club in 1974 with his wife, Marion, who died in 2015. Tom and Marion's son, Huw, had died from muscular dystrophy the year before and they founded the Club in his memory, to support parents of children with learning disabilities, when very little support existed.



Tom, his wife Marion and their daughter Ann

The Club has been running ever since, with Tom and Marion at the helm for over 30 years. It evolved to become more of a social group for children, and then adults, and today boasts over 25 members. Tom was both Chairman and Treasurer at some point, and remained involved up to the end, if in a smaller capacity. The Club remains his legacy and we are committed to continuing it in his, and Marion's, memory.

We also recently lost our longest-standing volunteer, Jean Winder, who passed away at the end of May at the impressive age of 99. She volunteered for over 46 years, and was the nurse for our week-long holidays. Jean was an institution and we will miss her dearly. Despite being in her 90s, she would still hand out refreshments, help with set up, volunteer on the Committee and dance at all the discos. Whenever we dance the Hokey Cokey, we will always remember Jean and her dedication to the Club.



Jean and her daughter Margaret in 2018, when Jean won UDC's Community Service award for her volunteering work at the Club

We have also heard of the sad passing of Lesley Barnard, who died in May; she had been poorly in recent years but was one of our original members. It has been a sad month for the Club but we hope to meet in the near future and remember all those we have lost over the past 18 months as a group. Fingers crossed we can enjoy being back together soon.

Everyone in the Club sends their condolences and best wishes to the families of Tom, Jean and Lesley.

Just a quick reminder that if you are a keen runner, please sign up to the Stansted Fun Run on 19th September. Our Club is one of the recipient charities and we are very grateful for everyone's support.



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Clair Rava
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STANSTED IS WELL READ

The next meeting of our book group will be on **Tuesday 6th July** at 8.00pm and we are hoping to be able to meet at the Dog and Duck in Lower Street, regulations and weather permitting. It will be the first time we have met face to face for over a year; we have been meeting via Zoom but cannot wait to get together and resume our meetings at the pub. We will be discussing *Precious Bane* by Mary Webb. This is a compelling story of passion set in the 1800s with an unlikely heroine who, when suspected of witchcraft by her fellow townspeople, rises above them all through an all-encompassing sweetness of spirit. Please do get in touch if you would like to join us, a warm welcome will await.



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Entries to our annual garden competition close on Wednesday 30th June. We have two judging panels ready to go on Sunday 11th July so we are hoping for significantly more entries this year. There are six categories: Overall Garden, Front Garden, Hanging Baskets and Tubs, Fruit and Veg Plots, Communal Areas (schools, care homes), and Commercial Properties (pubs, clubs). Entry forms are available to download from our Facebook page www.facebook.com/stanstedinbloom and from the Parish Council website www.stansted.net. Hard copies of the form are available in the library or from Paris Legore's florist shop in Lower Street and Follies of Stansted at the Sworders auction house site. Alternatively you can email us with your address and details of which categories you want to enter. This year's event is being sponsored by Sworders, fine art auctioneers.

We have spent over £200 on plants to refresh and add a bit of summer colour to the nine planters we have around the village. The planters were made for us from timber reclaimed from fences that were removed from the Forest Hall estate. A big thank you to Sally and Lucy Lewis at Follies who supplied the plants at mates' rates.

Photographic Competition

We had a really difficult task when it came to judging the competition but after some debate the winners were agreed as follows:

Children

Isla Bevan aged 10 and Phoebe Kendall aged 5 Joint Winners (photos shown below)



Adults

Kasia Howell Winner
Tracy Laverack Runner up

You can view all the winning photos on our Facebook page.

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Once again our gardens are becoming more important as summer approaches and staycations are being advised. For many the garden has now become an extension to the house as more time is being spent outside. Many of the items on peoples' To Do List were completed last year, so if you cannot think of more projects to undertake, then perhaps this year we can all benefit by just sitting back, chilling out and enjoying the sun! If you are looking for somewhere to visit and meet up with friends or family, the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) gardens are open and the first RHS Flower Show of 2021 will be held at Hampton Court from 5th-11th July. Many of the Yellow Book National Garden Scheme gardens are starting to re-open and flower shows and plant fairs are being planned for the summer too. Remember to check on the relevant websites as many gardens still require you to book in advance.

I thought members and friends of the Club would like to know that on one of our coach trips we visited Freda's Garden in Bromley. Freda Davis looks after her garden on her own and has shared it with groups and the public for over 12 years; during that time she has raised £80,000 for the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Her efforts were recognised by The Queen, and she was awarded the British Empire Medal in this year's Honours List. Good luck to everyone who has entered their garden in the Stansted in Bloom competition. Take care, keep safe and enjoy your garden.

Maralyn Harris
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STANSTED SOCIAL CLUB

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It has been fantastic to see so many of our old friends again. It was also wonderful to see the sun shining after so much rain; we will be taking the marquee down very soon. We have had some staff changes so expect to see a few new faces behind the bar. We are also replacing the ailing cellar door arrangement, which has been allowing water in. It will make things much easier for beer deliveries.

We will be showing the relevant games from the Euros so if you want to head in please either apply for membership or renew your existing one. Membership should have been renewed by 25th June. We will provide an up-to-date list of entertainment in the next issue of The Link but one date for the diary is a Dua Lipa tribute act on Saturday 11th December. The members' draw and meat raffle are both running again on Sunday afternoons and we will provide an update regarding the darts, snooker and pool teams as soon as we have the information. You can keep up-to-date with what's happening on our Facebook page or website, which at the moment is in need of an update!



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To further help stability, try either poking your tongue into the same side cheek as the weight – meaning weight held in the right hand = tongue poked into the right cheek; or start to swallow so your tongue squeezes up into the roof of the mouth. All you need now is that tight yellow dress and some killer heels and then rehab for a broken ankle.

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Approval for increase in Stansted Airport's planning cap

The panel of planning inspectors described the conduct of Uttlesford District Council (UDC) as "unreasonable behaviour" in their formal ruling, which approved an increase in Stansted Airport's planning cap from 35 million to 43 million passengers per annum (mppa). This followed a public inquiry, involving three main parties, namely UDC, Manchester Airports Group (MAG) and Stop Stansted Expansion (SSE). SAW (formerly SSE) Chairman Brian Ross, said: "We are, of course, disappointed but we are not at all surprised." It will probably take up to ten years before international air travel returns to pre-pandemic levels. It is also widely believed that there will be a reduction in business flights, with Zoom meetings now established as a safe, time-saving, cost-saving and effective alternative. The panel's report makes repeated criticism of UDC's conduct at the inquiry and making an award of costs against UDC in favour of MAG. This could leave local council taxpayers facing a bill of an estimated £1.5 million.

Climate change impact of Stansted Expansion

The climate change impact of the proposed Stansted Airport expansion could be eight times higher than its proponents claimed, according to research from the New Economics Foundation (NEF) published on 21st May. It is equivalent to putting around one million additional cars on Britain's roads. The NEF report concluded that Stansted Airport's estimate of the climate change impact of its expansion plans was not credible because, for example:

- It assumes that the aviation sector will be using currently undeveloped technologies to deliver fuel-efficiency savings over the next few decades
- It does not account for the impact of non-CO₂ emissions like aerosols, water vapour and nitrogen oxides, which can double or even triple the climate impact of airport expansions
- It has not put a monetary value on the climate change impacts of expansion, nor has it tested the impact of higher carbon prices in the future, contrary to Government guidance.

The NEF report recommended that the Government should halt all active applications; and any decisions on airport expansion should take into account the Government's upcoming publication of its aviation decarbonisation strategy, the new statutory target to cut emissions 78% by 2035, and the Committee on Climate Change's recommendation for no net expansion of UK airports.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR: FLY TIPPING

I live at Maitland Road and am writing to you with regard to fly tipping.



These pictures are of rubbish which people have dumped over the past year. Living in the village we all have a responsibility to keep the village clean and lovely. To see broken glass and piles of rubbish is not how we want our village to be. Hopefully these pictures will help to raise awareness.

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In May our Committee held the first meeting for over a year. Due to the restrictions we still had to meet outside but as can be seen in the photo we were blessed with fine weather on the day. Now that restrictions are lifting (fingers crossed), Helpline is expecting the number of calls for help to increase.



We are hopeful that most of our volunteers will be able to return to us, but we will still need more in order to fulfil all requests for assistance. If you are a car owning driver and available during the day, please consider volunteering. There is no regular commitment required, just a willingness to provide transport for Stansted residents to medical appointments or perhaps to go shopping, if you are free on the date and time requested. Volunteering is very rewarding, and a great way to meet people and to get to know the area. Please contact the Helpline number below for more information. Our phone line is open Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays) 9.00am-4.00pm.



Yvonne Ayres
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FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CHURCH

At long last I can invite you to Open Sunday in church. Our first one of the year will be on **4th July** at 2.00pm-5.00pm. I will be in church with the kettle on ready to make you a cuppa and have a chat. Church tours are available or just come for quiet time to listen to some relaxing music. Hope to see you then.

Finally, a reminder about our theatre event, *The Secret Garden* on **Saturday 21st August** at 1.00pm. Tickets are available from www.thisismytheatre.com or by phone 07732 253311. If you can book in advance, this will help with the seating. Live theatre right on your doorstep!



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RANDOM JOTTINGS – WHO CARES?

There are three care homes in Stansted with around 150 elderly residents. All those who care for the wellbeing of those residents are carers and there are, I am sure, many other people in the village tending to loved ones old and young. All deserve our applause. A less hands-on way of caring is to know and be concerned about the welfare of others. For example, in 2019-20 there were an estimated 14.5 million people in the UK living in relative poverty after paying housing costs, some 22% of the population. Many of these were classed as destitute. Almost two million of them were children. Does anybody care? Most of the estimated 200,000 homeless people are living in accommodation described as 'human warehouses'. These are converted office blocks around the country including the now infamous Terminal House and two others in Harlow; but does anybody care?

We should also care for our society, our democracy. Who cares how personal protective equipment was procured, how many people died because of delays in calling for lock-down or who paid for the decoration of the Prime Minister's flat? Now it is getting closer to home. The proposed development to the west of Pennington Lane has been rejected after a large number of submissions from villagers and opposition from both Parish and District Councils. As expected, the developers have appealed and an inquiry is to be held. I would not bet one penny that the developer will not win the day; but who cares?



Cliff Gilbert



1ST ELSENHAM BROWNIES

Can you help us please?

Our Brownie pack would like some more adult volunteers from September to help Brown Owl and Cosmic Owl with our meetings, which are for 1½ hours on Tuesdays during term time only. We are a lovely group of girls who have lots of fun, enjoying various activities, badges, outings, sleepovers, laughing and eating sweets. Please consider giving back something to your community. Girlguiding will support you, give you friendships, experience and an opportunity to put your skills to the test and learn new ones along the way.

If you are 18 or over and can commit to a weekly meeting, then Brown Owl would love to hear from you. No need to be shy, come and join us; there will be a lot of us in September and we would love to meet you. Please email me for details. Thank you for reading to the end!

Jennifer Jarvis
Brown Owl
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THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

I write this piece just as we begin to enjoy a little more freedom from the Covid-19 pandemic. We at St Theresa's are longing for a return to full normality when we can enjoy freedom to do what we want to do without worrying about fresh restrictions and not having to restrict the numbers of people who wish to attend mass. I will not miss having to place a sign at the door of the church saying this mass is full and turning people away from the church. We will all be looking forward to doing the things we have most missed during the enforced restrictions we have all had to endure.

I think the reality is that we will not return to all of the old ways of doing things and I don't think this is necessarily a bad thing. We cannot easily set aside the terrible things that have happened over the past 18 months, the death of family members and friends, the loss of liberty and for some people the loss of job and of home. None of these things can be seen in a positive light, but we have seen moments of light, even in the midst of the darkness. I have been humbled by the numbers of people who went out of their way to help others, people stepping up to serve the community in a myriad of ways with no thought of reward or recognition for their actions. We have all had the opportunity to see the best of humanity in the worst of situations. As we begin to enjoy our freedoms, as we come out of lockdown, we must not forget those who have given so freely of their time and effort to help others. We intend to show our thanks to those who have served the community of St Theresa's with a Mass of Thanksgiving later this year; perhaps we can all think of a way of saying thank you to our volunteers throughout our community. I am sure they do not need our thanks, but they certainly deserve them.



Fr Lee Bennett
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'From St John's Registers' will appear in the August edition of The Link.

Our Christian beliefs are conventional, we are just doing church differently.

We continue to meet on Tuesday evenings and Sundays, offering a combination of modern worship music, Bible-based talks or discussions and prayer. While we still have the Zoom option available when needed, we are currently able to hold some meetings in person while observing Government restrictions. As things may have changed on 21st June, venues cannot be confirmed at the time of printing, so please email or ring us for the latest updates on what is running and how to access up-to-date information.

If you would like to know more about how to find recommended online church services which you can access any-time, or the Alpha Course online, please just contact us. We are also happy to receive prayer-requests at any time.

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18th 10.30am No service in church
25th 10.30am Rev'd Jan Bisschoff

Services will also continue on Sundays at 10.30am on Zoom.

There will be a special Zoom Service on Sunday 18th July for all the churches in our URC group as it will be our minister's final service with us.

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In July I will be saying farewell to the Bishop's Stortford Salvation Army, where I have been the Corps Officer for the past seven years. I have been reappointed with my husband Elliot to Paisley Corps in West Scotland. The corps will, however, be pleased to welcome a new officer, Major Alan Frederikson.

During this time of transition, Bishop's Stortford Salvation Army continues to live out its three values: Fellowship, Community and Discipleship; hopefully this is an exciting time when a few more gatherings, such as CAMEO, can take place. In the coming months we hope to begin announcing once again when and where you can meet with us and get involved. The Salvation Army is a worldwide Christian Church and registered charity. The local Corps has been active in Bishop's Stortford since 1883. The aim is to offer practical help and spiritual support to people of all ages, backgrounds and needs. For more information about The Salvation Army please go to our website.



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We are hoping that the open day on **Sunday 25th July** will feel like a return to normal. We will remember the gardens and surrounding estate in the two world wars with special displays by our historians and our archives open for visitors. We hope to be joined by others, displaying the history of the US Army Air Force, the RAF and Austin 7s. *Perfect Vintage* will return and get us all singing and dancing, while we savour homemade cakes with our cuppa. Throughout the month of July, visitors on open Thursdays and on the open day should be able to buy produce from the gardens: beans, carrots, courgettes etc, and potentially soft fruit too, when it becomes available.

Open days are now by ticket only, obtainable through our website, our Facebook page or direct from Trybooking.com. Open Thursdays do not require tickets; details of the more limited offer on Thursdays can be found on our website.

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We hope to welcome visitors to the windmill again on Sunday 4th July 1.30pm-5.30pm. As we have been closed for such a long time the Committee are now busy clearing and cleaning on all floors. We are still hoping that the fête can go ahead as planned on Bank Holiday **Monday 30th August**. That is the one day when people in the village come together, as well as many of our visitors who come from further afield. It is a good fun day for all adults and children, where you can pick up a bargain, buy a raffle ticket, enjoy tea and cakes and of course the windmill will be open as usual, so we hope you will all come along. If this does happen then we can all go forward and hopefully move on from Covid-19.



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As part of the Young Citizen's programme, our children have signed up to make a difference to their local community and themselves. Mental health has been challenged all the more during this turbulent year and the *Make a Difference in a Day* scheme is designed with children's mental well-being in mind. This has proved to help reduce anxiety as children look beyond themselves and their immediate needs.

The children in Horse Chestnut Class (Years 5 and 6), decided to address some local issues. Firstly, they had noticed that during the lockdown period, there was an increase of litter around the village and surrounding roads, as well as an increase in fly-tipping in many country lanes - possibly due to refuse sites being closed. During PSHE and English lessons, the children watched videos of inspirational people, how change makes a difference and looked at a number of local issues and how they could help, by drawing a 'tree of change'. Once the plans were in place, it was action stations. For the *Tidy up the village* project, the children sourced litter pickers and gloves, as well as creating posters and leaflets about their project.



Class teacher, Sara Haughey said: "Everyone gains from these projects: the community, because of the support they receive and seeing young people who care about the world they live in; the school, as children gain pride and take on more responsibility for their surroundings; and the children themselves, whose confidence and self-esteem has hugely improved. As Greta Thunberg said, 'You are never too small to make a difference.'"

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ST MARY'S C of E FOUNDATION SCHOOL

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As we motor up to the end of this very strange (and hopefully never to be repeated) academic year, I wanted to give you a taste of what our children are learning this half term. We are very proud of our interesting, challenging and interactive curriculum. UKS2 have been on a virtual day trip to a theme park, learnt about the science behind roller coasters, written descriptive poetry in the shape of loop the loops

and designed, presented and tested (with uncooked eggs!) their own rides. LKS2 have been immersed in the fantastical, legendary and mythical world of Gods and Mortals. They have been studying Apollo and Zeus among others and writing character descriptions and diary entries. PE sessions have incorporated athletics, battle formations and dance. Years One and Two have been Street Detectives, wondering which way to go and exploring outside the school boundaries, planning routes and writing instructions. I hear the Lord Mayor also has a special favour to ask them ...

Did you happen to see any bears, fairies or scarecrows on a family walk around Forest Hall Park recently? If so it was down to our spectacular Parent Teacher Fundraising Association who raised a brilliant £785 for our sensory room with the *Spring on your doorstep* trail. Finally, I am so pleased to be able to tell you that we are once again able to offer actual tours of our school to prospective parents. Please contact the school office for details.

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MANUDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

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As always, the summer term has been a busy and exciting one with a wide range of Experience Outcomes to showcase our learning. In Key Stage 1 and Early Years, the focus is on Castles and Knights, and the Barn Owl Class children will be exploring the big question, 'Did Castles Protect Everyone?' To help them answer this, they will be creating a castle with a working drawbridge using their Design and Technology skills as well as their historical knowledge of castles. In Key Stage 2 the children are getting very creative with each class putting on their own production. Hawk Owl Class, our Years 3 and 4 pupils, will be telling the deforestation tale, *The Emerald Crown*, whilst the children in Eagle Owl Class, in Years 5 and 6, will be continuing their work on myths and legends by presenting their own version of the legend: *Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies*. We look forward to our performance skills developing throughout the term and entertaining everyone with our video performances.

It has been a busy time for the Year 6 children as they prepare for the start of their secondary school lives. Transition visits have already taken place with secondary school staff, as well as lots of discussions in school about the transition process and what to expect as they start their new schools in September. Once again, our Year 6 children are off to a wide variety of secondary schools: Herts and Essex High School, Birchwood, Bishop's Stortford High School, St Mary's, Forest Hall School and Hockerill Anglo European College. With the children branching off in so many different directions, it does make their final few weeks here at Manuden seem even more special.

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Stansted Network

NEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL COUNCILS



Pennington Lane
Planning Inquiry
JULY 13-22

JUDGEMENT DAY

The campaign to prevent the construction of 168 houses on land north of Pennington Lane reaches a climax on July 13 when a planning appeal inquiry gets under way. Here we explain what is at stake for the village and outline the case against development as advocated by the Save Stansted Village group and backed by the Parish Council.

The land tied to Pennington Lane has long been coveted by land developers. In 2013 Taylor Wimpey had hopes of building houses in fields that butted onto the boundary of the Bentfield Green conservation area.

Those hopes foundered against a campaign put together by Save Stansted Village (SSV), a pressure group set up to fight the project and headed-up by long-time Stansted resident, James Hogg. Backed by the Parish Council and district councillors, its campaign rallied the community to oppose the proposed development. Then, as now, the case against housing focused on the damage to landscape and heritage assets, namely Pennington Lane's status as a protected lane and Bentfield Green's as a conservation area.

SSV banked a considerable amount of popular support, rallying the community to write letters of protest, sign a petition and erect banners and objection boards around Stansted. This support combined with a little good fortune - a resident to the village was a national authority on landscape who

lent their expertise to the campaign — to help sway decision-makers' minds at Uttlesford District Council. Surprisingly the Uttlesford District Councillors rejected its planning officers' own recommendation to approve the Taylor Wimpey's project. An appeal by Taylor Wimpey followed but at an inquest the independent planning inspector ruled against development. And that was that.

ROUND TWO - BLOOR HOMES

At the end of 2019 Bloor Homes, one of the UK's largest property developers, announced on Uttlesford's planning portal its intention to build on 25-acres of land north of Pennington Lane. A formal application followed in August 2020.

"It did disappoint me, but didn't surprise me," says James Hogg. "Developers are opportunistic and will wait until the planning environment changes. They have submitted an application on pretty much the same land and claim it's a materially different location. But it isn't."

So why is Stansted at the centre of planning controversy yet again? Other than defining targets for housing construction, central government delegates much of the decision making around this issue to local authorities. Each tier of local government must consult with its community and draw up a plan addressing the issue of local development.

Uttlesford District Council has failed to produce a plan since 2005. This has allowed property developers like Taylor Wimpey, and now Bloor Homes, to target green space circling villages in Uttlesford, such as Elsenham and Stansted, that hasn't been officially set aside for other means.

TILTED BALANCE, THE NEED FOR EXPERTS

A spanner was thrown into Bloor's plan for Pennington Lane when Uttlesford rejected their planning application. This was then appealed against by Bloor and hence a Public Inquiry is to start on July 13 for 6 days. At this Inquiry, because the Council cannot demonstrate a five year housing land supply, the concept of tilted balance comes into play.

Simply put, the planning inspector will weigh the public benefits of development claimed by the developer Bloor Homes against the damage posed to the community as argued by Save Stansted Village and the Parish Council, acting together as a 'rule 6' party as community representatives. Here developers have the upper hand. They can easily point to the numbers of people who will benefit from new housing, and how they are delivering on government targets for land supply use.

Demonstrating the damage is more tricky. The impact on community life, the loss of wildlife and conservation areas, and impact on landscape and heritage are much less quantifiable. "When it comes to an inquiry, it is very hard for a lay person to argue about the value of landscape, or the subtleties around planning policy," says James. "That's why you need to hire experts."

Save Stansted Village has nearly reached its target of £20,000 to fund a planning consultant and an expert in landscape at the inquiry. The Parish Council contributed £4,000 to the fund, but the vast majority of money came from the public. "It's a lot of money for a community like this to offer up," says James Hogg. "It serves as a testament to public feeling against development near Bentfield Green and this was from right across Stansted not just those local to Bentfield Green."

WHAT'S AT STAKE?

Bloor Homes claim the Pennington Lane project will provide much needed affordable housing. They argue it is sustainable - a key planning requirement - as the needs of new residents will not overwhelm the existing infrastructure of roads, schools and health care amenities. They also suggest they have mitigated for any negative environmental impacts. None of this stacks up.

“ It is amazing how people have pulled together and shows you how powerful the community can be given direction and motivation ”



James Hogg
Parish Councillor
Chair of Save Stansted Village

Firstly, Pennington Lane acts as a natural boundary to the village. Building 168 homes so close to the conservation area of Bentfield Green would make it more difficult to argue against other projects, thereby risking the opening up the countryside to a vast swath of housing going north all the way along the west of Pennington Lane. The south of the village is less appealing to developers as much of the land there is designated green belt. But a green light for Pennington could see hundreds of homes built to the north.

Secondly the project is simply not sustainable. Rainsford Road is Bloor's preferred means for its home owners to access Cambridge Road. Yet that road is already a congested cut-through. Pennington Lane, meanwhile, is subject to flooding and ill-suited to more traffic. There are no plans to build more schools leaving the 3 existing ones to meet the extra demand.

Then there is the impact the project would have on Bentfield Green and Pennington Lane. Bentfield Green is a conservation area that was singled out by the independent planning inspector in 2013 as "the jewel in Stansted's crown." Taylor Wimpey planned to build to the edge of it. Now Bloor wants a bigger development just 80 metres farther away.

Pennington Lane is one of three protected lanes in the village. A survey conducted in preparation for the inquiry found on a single Saturday more than 400 runners, cyclists, walkers and horse riders used the lane. This popular community asset could soon be bulldozed away.

DAVID AND GOLIATH

The inquiry on July 13 will be held virtually due to Covid. A judgment will arrive by September 2, and proceedings will run along judicial lines. Bloor Homes will spend some of its £122 million in profits made in the 6 months to June 2020 employing barristers and planning experts to represent its case.

As well as the District Council fighting against Bloor Homes, representing the community will be the Parish Council and Save Stansted Village. Simon Thompson will advocate as he did in 2013. Hundreds of pages of evidence, thoroughly researched, multiple 'Proofs of Evidence', all the community's objection letters and a petition with over 1,500 names attached will be submitted, all of which will be backed up by testimony from a planning consultant and landscape expert.

"We did it against the odds last time round in 2013," says James Hogg. "It is eminently winnable. There is no room for failure."

Taylor Wimpey
Plan Rejected

DEC
2013

Bloor announce plans
for new scheme

DEC
2019

Bloor submit plans for 168 homes
Save Stansted Village campaign begins

AUG
2020

Bloor appeal
rejected plan

March
2021

Inquest to
be held

July 13-22
2021

Decision
Due

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You can find out more about the Save Stansted Village campaign fighting against construction close to Pennington Lane and Bentfield Green from their website :

- www.savestansted.co.uk

The Parish Council as a section 6 party at the inquiry will be informed directly by the planning inspector on their ruling, which will then be published on the Council's social media accounts and website:

- www.stansted.net
- Facebook: [stansted.parishcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/stanstedparishcouncil)
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CHECK-IN ON RUNGIS



Residents of Rungis and Stansted will be able to take part in each other's garden festivals this month. Our counter-parts from Rungis proposed at a twinning committee meeting in June that residents from their town should have the chance to select their favourite entries of the Stansted in Bloom competition.

Judging of the festival will still run along regular lines, but a video of entrants' gardens will be made available to the residents of Rungis, who will then settle on their own preferred choices. Meanwhile Stansted will get the chance to participate in the French town's own garden festival, with villagers also given an chance via a video to pick their favourites from the Rungis competition.

In May the Regional Council of the French town were excited to witness the Race to Rungis. Organised by Let's Talk Stansted, the event saw village residents walk, run and cycle a virtual route to Rungis and back as well as a few detours along the way, clocking up more than 700 miles and promoting awareness of mental health as they did so.

A photographic competition run off the back of the event was judged by Rungis residents and arranged by their council.



Judging for Stansted in Bloom gets under way on Sunday, July 11

DISTRICT COUNCIL NEWS



Melvin Caton
District Councillor
reports



STANSTED AIRPORT PLANNING DECISION

The major news from Uttlesford District Council this month has been the decision by the Planning Inspectors to allow the appeal by Stansted Airport to expand to 43 million passengers per annum.

The Inspectors also awarded costs against the council because of Uttlesford's "unreasonable behaviour" in changing their view at the appeal from the Planning Committee's unanimous decision to refuse permission on environmental grounds to one of approval with conditions. These costs may run into a seven figure sum.

Needless to say the Council's strategy at the appeal Enquiry has proved very controversial. We wait to see the council's next steps in this long running saga.

DEPARTURE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dawn French, who has been Chief Executive Officer at Uttlesford since February 2016, has said she will be leaving the council by the end of August or earlier.

She has said that that her decision is something she had been deliberating for some time, in order that the needs of the council are balanced with her own personal aspirations.

Dawn has worked in local government for 38 years, joining Brentwood Council straight from A-Levels and wants some time to be able to do something different in the later stages of her career.

Miss French said: "I feel incredibly privileged to have worked with such a great team at Uttlesford, and would like to thank everyone for their support, dedication and hard work through some challenging times especially during the current pandemic."

CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP

After the Annual Council Meeting in May, Cllr Alan Dean handed the baton of leadership of the Uttlesford Liberal Democrat Group over to me. Geoffrey Sell has become Deputy Leader of the Group. Cllr Arthur Coote from Saffron Walden was elected Chairman of Uttlesford District Council for the 2021/22 civic year.

BUSINESS SUPPORT

Despite the gradual easing of Covid 19 restrictions, the Council's Revenues Team continues to support local businesses by administering the range of grants available. The following statistics give an idea of the scale of support given to business in the district during the pandemic.

2020/21

First lockdown

- Small Business and Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grants to 1,559 businesses totalling £18.785m

- Discretionary grants to 144 to businesses / organisations not on the valuation list totalling £1.025m

Tier restrictions and second lockdown

- 227 businesses during the initial Tier 2 restrictions received grants totalling £379,278
- 779 businesses received support totalling £6.420m
- 335 businesses and small organisations (who are not business rate payers) through the Additional Restrictions Grant received support totalling £1.091m

The council also paid out £28,000 to wet-led pubs (those that are not able to offer food outside or on a takeaway basis) over Christmas. £175,383 was awarded to 133 businesses in December and January through the Essex Business Adaption Fund (funds received from Essex County Council).

2021/22

The new grants to support the local economy in reopening:

- Restart Grants paid out to 348 businesses totalling £2.434m so far and the council are still going through the applications so more to be paid
- Additional Restrictions Grant paid to 278 businesses and small organisations (who are not business rate payers) totalling £1.415m.

Uttlesford are also running a series of videos promoting local businesses on their Facebook and other social media channels as part of a Shop Local, Shop Safe campaign in Uttlesford. It includes Stansted businesses.

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Up and coming meetings are listed below:

- **July 7** - Finance & General Purposes 7pm
- **July 21** - Full Council 7pm
- **July 28** - Open Spaces 7pm

See council website for Agendas under Meetings tab.

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GARDEN WASTE

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- **July 11, July 25**

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THE WASHING LINE

What is there to say about the humble washing line? It turns out there are a whole lot of things to say. To start with, since the Covid situation it seems it now takes two people to hang the washing out; is this a new law that perhaps I have missed? As for pegs, there are four types to my knowledge:

- Dolly pegs - wooden, ok, but useless if the garment is thick
- Plastic pegs break as soon as you look at them
- Wooden with metal springy bits - ok but get stuck in the lawnmower when they break
- Soft pegs, brightly coloured, work quite well but they are big so when you get the washing in you have to make a few journeys to the peg bag. Being coloured some people may, but surely not ... match the colours to the washing, Oh my days, really!

Anyway, imagine coming home to find your favourite jumper on the line pegged on by the cuffs, shirts by the pointy bits of the collar, trousers by legs creating a V shape which you could peg something in between, but tea towels, towels and flannels all hung reasonably well. I always remember a short saying:

Things on the top you peg from the bottom and things for the bottom you peg from the top.

I remember when my mum hung my best and favourite jumper on the line, folded over so it was in half; when it dried there was a very visible line right across the jumper that stayed there for ages. It was not possible to wear it again, ever.



Take my neighbours; their washing is hung about a foot apart, why? Do they think the tops will attack the bottoms and the socks will run off with the pants? It then takes two changes of washing whereas if they had all been correctly hung (in my view) it could have all been dried in one go. Why do people hang socks in pairs? I just peg whatever is next in the basket much to my husband's despair. I really cannot be bothered to match them up, all facing the same way. When you take them off the line, they get chucked back in the basket all muddled up so therefore need sorting into pairs again. I dislike doing the same job twice.

Then there is a prop; surely it should be placed in the middle of the line? There are different types of props: the ones that just flop down at the slightest breeze, the wooden ones that give you splinters as soon as you move them and the ones with the sliding frame that catch fingers just like Arkwright's till in *Open all Hours*.

Whirligig lines - good, bad or just plain dangerous. Whilst having coffee at a friend's house, she put her washing out on said line, only to find her dog hanging on for grim death to a shirt sleeve running round and round like a whirling dervish, having a whale of a time and completely ruining the shirt. I have had issues myself with these torture lines. They are death traps (well I exaggerate a bit); having been really chuffed at getting one, I duly started to peg washing on it but it was a windy day and I was not fully trained in the tantrums and hissyfits of a whirligig, but I would be soon.

Looking back, I think a windy day was not an ideal time to learn. I pegged the big stuff on the outside and when I had finished, I had the undies to peg out but could not get them on the line unless I took the big stuff off, so I had to start again. When I came to putting the sheets on the line the wind got up so it was extremely difficult. The sheets were everywhere; I pegged one corner on, then the other fell off. The line was whirling round like a spinning top. I bent down to retrieve a pillowcase and as I stood up ... **crack!** the corner of the whirligig thudded into my head. As I fell to the ground, I caught my leg on the washing basket; blood was everywhere. I stood up to assess the damage to my leg and the whirligig came round again, knocking me off balance straight into the washing basket which tipped up making me fall badly. That is when I passed out.

Next thing I knew was my husband standing over me not knowing if to laugh or cry, until he saw the blood, then realised I had been knocked out and needed immediate medical attention. Not sure what happened next but it was embarrassing to have to explain to A&E that I was attacked by a whirligig, but it made them laugh. After being kept in overnight due to concussion, a leg with stitches and an arm in plaster as I had broken it on my way to the ground, I decided that a plain old fashioned washing line was good enough for me. Hence the saying *If it ain't broke don't fix it*. Moral of the story: buy a tumble dryer or train your husband better to hang the washing out.

Linda Sendall

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BENCH CHRONICLES – THE JOY OF THE RETURN

Welcome back to my whimsy, gentle readers. Much has changed here, evolving into an aura of enlightened enrapturement and excitement as lockdown restrictions dissipate. I have returned to work serving in the library service in Stansted and Saffron Walden and am oft bereft of bench. I have been seeing another bench though (does that qualify as *benchamy*?) 'Tis a lovely bench facing Saffron Walden Castle both idyllic and quiet, but my heart belongs to the bench in our village. As there is no collective noun for benches, might I postulate a backrest of benches or indeed a backside of benches?

I was paid a most fabulous compliment by a kind passer-by who said, and I quote: "By virtue of you sitting on that bench you kept the fabric of the village together." A paroxysm of praise but I am just a thread in our village's tapestry of love. I would like to take you off bench now, firstly to Stansted Cricket Club where I spent a happy tranquil moment courtesy of the legend that is our very own Captain Dave Powter. I delighted in the gentle thwok of ball on bat and encourage you to support our team. So to the joy of the return - pubs! From The Kings to The Queens and thence to The Woof and Quack luxuriating in the gentle susurrating supping sound of liberated libators a-quaffing 'pon their beers. I have eating problems so I am grateful to The Lower Street Brasserie, Yeoman's and The Kings for their unique and wholesome board of fare and to my friends for encouraging me to eat. Better times ahead my Stansted brethren. Keep strong, stay safe and love muchly.



Krishna

SOME HISTORICAL FACTS Part 2

In the 1500s, people cooked in the kitchen with a big kettle that hung over the fire. The fire was lit daily and more things were added to the pot: mostly vegetables as meat was rare. They would eat the stew for dinner, leaving leftovers in the pot to get cold overnight and then start over the next day. Sometimes stew had food in it that had been there for quite a while. Hence the rhyme: *Peas porridge hot, peas porridge cold, peas porridge in the pot nine days old*. Sometimes they could obtain pork, which made them feel quite special. When visitors came over, they would hang up their bacon to show off. It was a sign of wealth that a man could *bring home the bacon*. They would cut off a little to share with guests and would all sit around and *chew the fat*. Those with money had pewter plates. Acidic food caused some of the lead to leach onto the food, causing lead poisoning and death. This happened most often with tomatoes, so for the next 400 years or so, tomatoes were considered poisonous. Lead cups were used to drink ale or whisky. The combination would sometimes knock the imbibers out for a couple of days. Someone walking along the road would take them for dead and prepare them for burial. They were laid out on the kitchen table for a few days and the family would gather around and eat and drink and wait and see if they would wake up. Hence the custom of *holding a wake*.

Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom of the loaf, the family got the middle, and guests got the top, or the *upper crust*. England is old and small and the local folks started running out of places to bury people. They dug up coffins and took the bones to a bone-house and reused the grave. When reopening these coffins, one out of 25 coffins were found to have scratch marks on the inside and they realised they had buried people alive, so they tied a string on the wrist of the corpse. The string passed through the coffin and up through the ground with a bell at the end. Someone had to sit in the graveyard all night (*the graveyard shift*) to listen for the bell; thus, someone could be *saved by the bell* or was a *dead ringer*. That is the truth; who ever said history was boring?

Bess Toy Chin
(from Hong Kong via Sarah Ludlow-Elston)



Nature Notes

Herb Robert, *Geranium robertianum*

Loved from my earliest years. I knew that if I pinched the leaves of Herb Robert it would release a rather distinctive smell, but not a perfume. It is a pretty plant, a great favourite in my garden, and is a member of the Cranesbill family, due to the shape of the seed pod. Its name came from the founder of the Cistercian order in the 11th century, Abbé Robert. In Medieval times the plant was used to ward off evil spirits and ill health. Culpeper used this plant as an astringent to arrest bleeding. In the case of accidents, the crushed leaves applied to the wound caused the bleeding to cease. Today a herbalist might use this plant to deal with peptic ulcers and internal bleeding and it can be used as a gargle for the mouth and throat. It is said that tea made from Herb Robert can lower blood sugar in diabetics.



Herb Robert is thought of as a cancer cure in Scottish folk medicine, referred to as *cancer wort*, a notion that goes back centuries. In fact, this plant increases the amount of oxygen in the cells; it is said cancer cannot live in oxygen-rich conditions. How did our ancestors know such things? Perhaps from observation? Dr Otto Warburg, German physiologist said; "The prime cause of cancer is lack of oxygenation of the cells". He did not mention Herb Robert, but it could be one way of increasing the oxygen in the body. The German naturopath Rudolph Breuss suggested that a daily pinch of dried Herb Robert steeped in a half cup of water for ten minutes could increase the chances of a pregnancy; therefore as the folk lore suggests, it offers good luck and fertility.

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Our annual meeting in May was on Zoom; 24 members were present as well as Pat Pratley, our local WI adviser from Manuden WI. Our President, Anne Watson, was pleased to inform members that she and the Committee would stand for another year, and that Jenny Wraith had agreed to join them. We have meetings planned for the rest of the year; hopefully in the Day Centre before too long. Denman College has sadly closed and will be sold, so we suspended our byelaws as they all related to the college. A large variety of classes and demonstrations are being held online, but this in no way matches the experience of visiting the College and meeting members from all over the country and exploring the local Oxford countryside. Denman was bought in 1948 and thousands of members have enjoyed the Denman experience so it is a great loss.

The 2021 national annual meeting was held online in June and included a discussion on this year's resolution, *A call to increase awareness of the subtle signs of ovarian cancer*. We discussed it in our own institute and voted in favour. It is one of the most common types of cancer, but symptoms can be confused with other conditions such as irritable bowel syndrome, making diagnosis late and a cure impossible. We are planning to ask someone from our surgery to talk to us.



Some of us met in May under a sycamore tree in the far corner of the recreation ground. Chris Hope supplied us with chairs and her urn, and tea and biscuits were produced in proper WI manner. The rain held off and even the wind seemed to calm down, and it was really good to see each other. There was no singing of Jerusalem!



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All the animals love seeing people and they particularly like being fed, so if you would like to visit, please make sure you book in advance via our website, as we cannot admit anyone who has not booked. We still have so many babies around the farm and they are all so cute; do come while they are still young. If you have a child's birthday



coming up, why not have your party with us at the farm? If you arrange school trips, come and have a chat with us, as we love having the schoolchildren here and they love coming for an informative and fun day out. There is so much going on at Daisy May's Farm at the moment, so make sure you do not miss out. We really look forward to seeing you soon. We are at Hall Road, Elsenham CM22 6DN.

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Well, what a school year it has been, with Covid upsetting many of our plans and the changes we have had to make to keep all our staff, volunteers, children, and families safe. Hopefully, things are on an upward trend, and we can return to a new normal. The children and staff have been amazing, and we are pleased to say that the Adventurers have had transition visits from their new teachers and they are visiting their new schools. We wish them all luck on the next stage of their learning journey. The end of term was tinged with sadness as we also said goodbye to Yvonne, who has been an integral part of the Rainbow team for 20 years. For the last six years she has been joint manager with Gill, and she will be greatly missed. We wish her a long and happy retirement. We are very pleased that Alison, one of our deputy managers, is stepping up to the rôle; we wish her lots of success in the future.

Rainbow has exciting times ahead; from September we will be expanding into the empty part of the building which we are currently using. We will be able to offer 9.00am-3.00pm Monday to Friday (term time only). In the future we hope to offer breakfast and after-school clubs and possibly holiday clubs too. This all depends on the building works being completed on time. All fingers and toes are crossed!

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Garden birds often seem to be rather thin on the ground in summer and there is little birdsong to be heard. What are they up to? What happens to the dawn chorus in summer?



As birds sing to establish and defend a territory and to attract a mate, they sing mainly during spring and early summer. Some birds only raise one brood and even those that raise several broods in a year have little need to continue singing much after June. When chicks from the first brood of many birds have left the nest, the adults no longer need to defend their territory so vocally. People notice this rather sudden end to the dawn chorus and often think that something has happened to the birds. There is no need to worry though, it is just a normal change in their behaviour.

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RANDOM JOTTINGS - SUMMER

Summer has arrived when ...

The air is filled with the smell of food cooking on the barbie; the sound of roaring motor bikes is the predominant traffic noise; the shelves are empty in the salad section of the supermarkets. These are some of the comments arising from *you know it is summer when* recently posed on a local radio programme. How times have changed. In the not-too-distant past barbies were dolls and the only cooking done outdoors was over a camp fire; traffic noise was not such a big issue and summer was the only season salad stuff was available in the shops.

Asked to describe the sights, smells and sounds of summer years ago the responses might have been quite different. The first glimpse of the ice cream van patrolling the streets for potential customers, the sweet, sickly smell of tiny white flowers on the privet hedges that were so popular and the sound of the old manual mowers cutting the lawns (with stripes of course) for the first time; they all take me right back to childhood summers of the '50s and '60s when the

sun always shone and life seemed far less complicated. I wonder if today's youngsters will look back on their summers with similar rose-coloured affection? There are some things that have remained the same over the years; the pesky wasps that plagued our picnics back in the day continue to be a problem; the holiday traffic jams, which have been happening for as long as I can remember, are increasing in number and are unlikely to disappear any time soon. Lastly, there have always been – and undoubtedly always will be – people who complain about the cold, damp weather for most of the year, and as soon as summer arrives complain that it is too hot! Whatever this summer holds for you, please make the most of it and enjoy.



Yvonne Ayres



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At last the sun is shining and cricket is well under way. We have 100 juniors between five and 16 years for the first time ever. League cricket for our juniors has begun not only at Stansted House but also at Molehill Green, where the Club played its first game against Stansted in the U10 age group, and a fine evening was had by all. The U13s had a fine win at Dunmow with Ed Stabb scoring 35, and the U15s were defeated by Saffron Walden. Numerous fixtures have been arranged so our young players now have a busy couple of months. The Club will be holding one or possibly two cricket camps during the summer holidays. The first will be in late July, run by Club coach Oliver Patmore.

The seniors have made a good start to the season with the 1st XI winning four of the first five league matches. The 2nd XI are just below half way in Division 2. Midweek nets are well attended and all in all it has been a good start to the season. The Club has been comprehensively knocked out of the League Cup by Farnham. They will be playing T20 matches against Russell Property and Nockolds. The former is our main sponsor and the latter will be our junior section sponsor in the near future. These are always enjoyable evenings with cricket, beer, and a barbeque. We would like to thank the Parish Council for supporting the Club, especially Geoffrey Sell who has encouraged and advised us over many years.



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The Pearce-Frodo Cup

The Pearce-Frodo Cup was presented to the Club in the 1980s, by Jack and Diana Pearce, when they moved out of the area after being members for many years (Frodo was their dog, who was also an honorary member of the Club!). Sixteen players took part in this mixed doubles tournament, which was held on Sunday 30th May.

The winners were Marta Hensall and Adrian Olver with runners up Daphne Lunnion and Paul Balas. The consolation winners were Dina McDonald and Michael Wilde. Many thanks to Gail Hogg for organising such an enjoyable day. We hold many tournaments throughout the year for ladies, men, mixed and juniors including some annual cup competitions; we also have several teams playing in the local leagues. If you would like to join the Club please go to our membership page on the website for further details.



Rusty Rackets!

These new drop-in sessions, aimed at beginner level adults, are held every Sunday 9.00am-10.00am. They are free for members and only £2 for visitors, so please come along if you are feeling a bit nervous about launching straight into a normal Club session.

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Ladies' night

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We are grateful to the England and Wales Cricket Board for a £1,000 *Inspired to Play* grant for the Club's Junior section. After six rounds of Herts and Essex Border League (HEBL) cricket, the 1st XI has had one win, two defeats and three matches lost to rain. The 2nd XI has had a win and three defeats. In the HEBL Cup we lost heavily to Thaxted. Notable batting performances include Matt Cope (129), Emiel Pronk (67 no), Robin Keck (62) and John Ayres (54 no), whilst Mark Allen had the astonishing bowling figures of six wickets for nine runs against Thundridge CC! The whole of the exterior of the pavilion was decorated by a local painter during early May. Senior home fixtures for July are:

Sat 3 rd	13:00	League Div 1	1 st XI v Woodford Wells IV
Sat 10 th	13:00	League Div 3	2 nd XI v Harlow V
Sun 11 th	14:00	Friendly	Sun XI v North Weald
Sat 17 th	13:00	League Div 1	1 st XI v Thaxted
Sat 24 th	13:00	League Div 3	2 nd XI v Matching Green II
Sun 25 th	14:00	Friendly	Sun XI v South Weald
Sat 31 st	13:00	League Div 1	1 st XI v Abridge



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STANSTED BOWLS CLUB

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June, July and August are busy times for bowling, and the Club has a very full fixture list. Our green team has been very busy and the green is playing well. I am hoping that the weather has remained kind since I wrote this piece, as it always encourages our members out onto the green. The men's Wednesday North-West Essex League team and the Seniors League team are doing fairly well so far; the ladies' Friday League team have enjoyed games but come second quite often - sounds better than lost! Everyone I speak to is enjoying bowling again, even if with restrictions.

We have welcomed some new members this year but could do with some more. Our Vice-Captain has enrolled on a Bowls England coaching course so will need some new bowlers to practise with. If you think that could be you then please ring me. Our regular Friday night roll-ups have re-commenced and, weather permitting, there should be someone at the Club from 5.30pm onwards. For anyone new to bowling, or thinking of re-joining a club, these roll-ups are a good opportunity to meet us and see what our Club can offer. For existing members please remember that this also a good time to arrange to play your competition matches. I am hoping that by the time you read this we will also have been able to re-open our bar. At the moment it has an unsafe floor awaiting repair, so even if all restrictions are lifted, we cannot get re-stocked and ready for action. Not long now ...

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