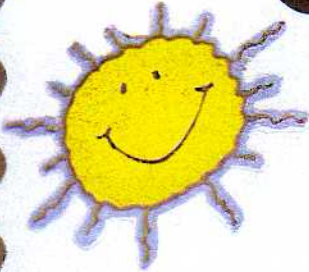


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Saturday 2nd August from 2.00 - 5.00pm,
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in the grounds of The Old Rectory, Rectory Road

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Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this edition of Village Voice. We always welcome new contributors. Is there anything that **YOU** would like us to include in the next edition? For example:

- Are there any events happening in October or November that you wish to publicise?
- Do you have any local news items to be included?
- Do you want to tell other villagers about a local group/club?
- Can you write an article for the magazine?
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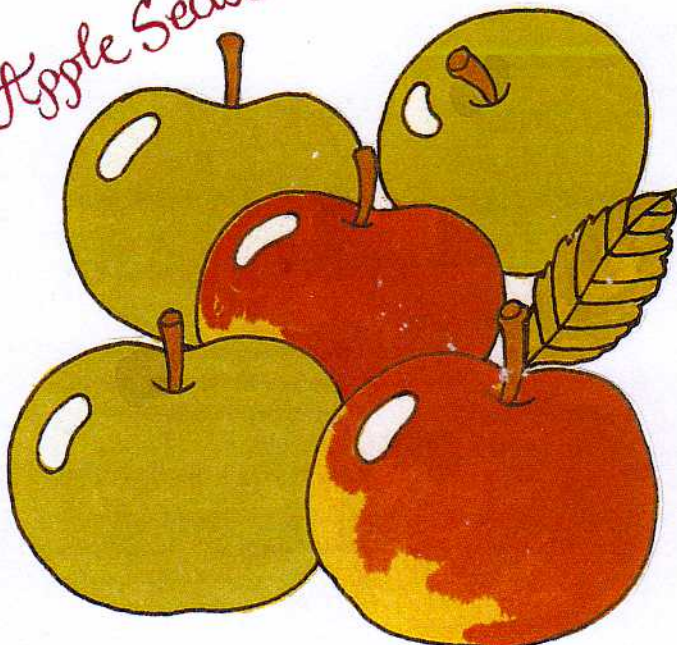
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Dates for your Diary ...



AUGUST



Saturday 2nd



GREAT HOLLAND VILLAGE & CHURCH FÊTE
 2.00 - 5.00pm
 (gates open 1.45pm)
 in the grounds of The Old Rectory, Rectory Road

Saturday 2nd -
 Sunday 10th

FRINTON MISSION
 Fun for all the family. Please visit www.frintonmission.net for details.

Thursday 7th

Coffee Morning: Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday
Meeting of Friends and Neighbours of Great Holland: 2 Great Holland Court (opposite Village Hall), at 2.00pm.

Saturday 9th

Family walking Treasure Hunt around the village: Methodist Church, 2.00-4.00pm.
 More details inside magazine.

Thursday 14th

Coffee Morning: Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday
Mobile Library visits Rosery Mews.

Thursday 21st

Coffee Morning: Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday.

Monday 25th

Kirby Fête in the Glebe Field: 12.00midday

Thursday 28th

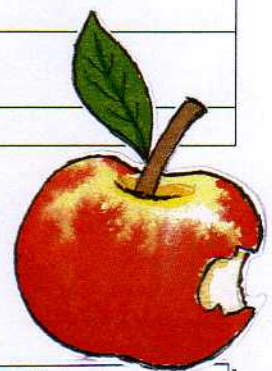
Coffee Morning: Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday.
Mobile Library visits Rosery Mews.

Sunday 31st

Charity Quiz Night at The Ship: Starts 8.00pm



September



Monday 1st

TFL meeting: Frinton Methodist Church Hall, 2.30pm. **Celia Gwynn** (The Spinning Lady) - Spinning a Yarn. More about this friendly social club inside magazine.

Thursday 4th

Coffee Morning: Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday
Meeting of Friends and Neighbours of Great Holland: 2 Great Holland Court, 2.00pm.

Saturday 6th

HOME MADE HOUR: Village Hall, 10.00-11.00am



Thursday 11th

Coffee Morning: Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday
Mobile Library visits Rosery Mews.

Thursday 18th

Coffee Morning: Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday

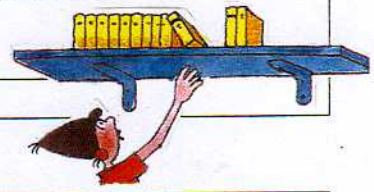
Saturday 20th

Frinton & District Horticultural Society Autumn Show: McGrigor Hall, 1.30pm.
 More details inside magazine.



Thursday 25th

Macmillan Coffee Morning: Communal Lounge, Rosery Mews, 10.30am
Coffee Morning: Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday
Mobile Library visits Rosery Mews.



Sunday 28th

Charity Quiz Night at The Ship: Starts 8.00pm

October

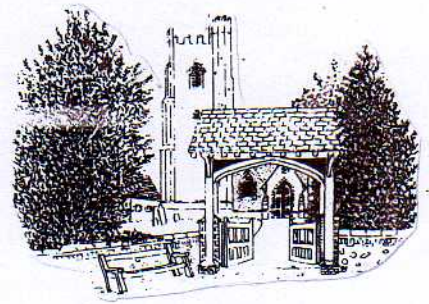
Saturday 4th



GHRA meeting: Village Hall, 10.00 for 10.30am

To include events for **October** or **November** in the Diary section of the next edition of **Village Voice**, please contact Linda on 852195 or Sandra on 672453 by **15th September** if possible.

All Saints' Church



Rector's article ...

Dear All,

Whether this arrives before or after this year's Fete, can I say a very big thank you to all who helped, organised, set-up, and came to the Great Holland Fete. Thank you for your ongoing and hard work which is so appreciated and makes such a big difference and a wonderful afternoon.

While we think of things within the Village, can I also direct your thoughts outside? Here is a note from Judith Little letting you know about something that we at All Saints have recently begun to support. We hope others might be able to join with us.

Mark

Walton & District Community Food Bank

Many of you are probably aware that Food Banks have been set up in many parts of the country to provide emergency food packs to people in crisis. In this area the Walton & District Community Food Bank (in association with Walton Churches Together) has been operating for over a year, with collection points in Walton, the Co-op supermarket at the Triangle and St Michael's church in Kirby-le-Soken. We now hope to add Great Holland to the list by providing a collection at All Saints' Church in the village. The recipients of the emergency food parcels have to be referred by social workers, doctors or vicars in order to qualify for vouchers and there are a limited number of times they can receive them - it's mostly on a 'one off' basis, with only a small number needing longer term support.

The donated food (and also toiletries) is distributed once a week in Walton and the organisers send out 'weekly shopping lists' to the collection points highlighting items urgently needed but there is also an ongoing list of items which are always welcome. Generally speaking these include most tinned foods (soup/fish/meat/vegetables/fruit), packet or dried foods such as pasta/rice, and jars of preserves or sauces. Fresh or perishable foods are unsuitable.

A collection box will be left in the porch at All Saints' for any donated items and these are then picked up from the church each Monday. Do please support this very worthwhile scheme by dropping an item in the box next time you are walking the dog or passing by the church. As Tesco keeps telling us, 'every little helps'! Incidentally, the church is open from early morning to early evening **every day** and everyone is most welcome to call in at any time.



Can you help ...?

Please can you spare an hour or two on Thursday 31st July or Friday 1st August by coming to The Old Rectory, Rectory Rd, to help us set up for this year's fête? We will be there between 10.30am and 2.00pm, and all help would be much appreciated. "Many hands make light work!"

Sue Jenkins (850317)

From All Saints' Diary - AUGUST:

FRINTON MISSION: Saturday 2nd - Sunday 10th August

The Bible Study group does not meet during August.



Saturday	2 nd	2.00-5.00 pm	FÊTE!! In the Old Rectory
Sunday	3rd	11.00am	Morning Worship, remembering the outbreak of WW1
Wednesday	6 th	2.00pm	Friendship and Interest Group in St Michael's Church Hall
Sunday	10th	8.00am	Joint Holy Communion with Kirby
		11.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday	17th	11.00am	Holy Communion
Wednesday	20 th	2.00pm	Friendship and Interest Group in the Church Hall
Sunday	24th	11.00am	Morning Worship
Bank Holiday			
Monday	25th	12.00pm	KIRBY FÊTE in the Glebe Field
Tuesday	26 th	2.30pm	TeaPot in the Baker Hall
Sunday	31st	11.00am	Morning Worship

From All Saints' Diary - SEPTEMBER:

For dates of the Bible Study meetings at the Parish Room at 11am, please see the notice sheet or church notice board.

Wednesday	3 rd	2.00pm	Friendship and Interest Group in St Michael's Church Hall
Thursday	4 th	7.30pm	All Saints' PCC meeting in the Parish Room
Saturday	6th	10.00am	Home Made Hour in the Village Hall
Sunday	7th	11.00am	Family Service
Sunday	14th	8.00am	Combined Holy Communion with Kirby
		11.00am	Morning Service
Wednesday	17 th	2.00pm	Friendship and Interest Group in St Michael's Church Hall
Sunday	21st	11.00am	Holy Communion
Tuesday	23 rd	2.30pm	TeaPot in the Baker Hall
Sunday	28th	11.00am	All Age Harvest Service

OCTOBER

Sunday 5th HARVEST MISSION
 No morning service at All Saints' - joint service at St Michael's at 9.30am

18th Chelmsford Anglican Bible Conference:
 Dale Ralph Davis will be speaking on 'Joshua: Living on promised turf'.

FROM THE REGISTERS:

WEDDINGS:

We offer our congratulations to:

Keith Hockley & Susan Duffy
David Fennelly & Victoria Simmonds
James Fowler & Stephanie Harris



FUNERALS:

We offer our condolences and prayers to the family and friends of:

Clifford Alan Fernandez **All Saints' & Kirby Cemetery**

ALL SAINTS' PARISH CHURCH WHO'S WHO

RECTOR: Rev. Mark Holdaway, The Rectory, 10 Thorpe Road, Kirby Cross CO13 0LT, (675997)

CHURCHWARDENS: John Beale, 5 Malting Lane, Kirby le Soken CO13 0EH (676472) and
Judith Little, Lambourn House, Little Clacton Road, Great Holland, CO13 0EY (813645)

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL: Churchwardens (ex officio), Sheila Watts (ex officio),
Don Osler, Vanessa Giles and Ilze Robertson

HON. SECRETARY TO THE PCC: Judith Little

VICE CHAIR TO THE PCC: John Beale

HON. TREASURER TO THE PCC: Sheila Watts c/o The Rectory, 10 Thorpe Road, Kirby Cross
CO13 0LT, (675997)

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Church Hall - All Saints' Great Holland

The Church Hall is situated next to All Saints' and is available for bookings from the general public. The accommodation comprises a pleasant carpeted room with six easy chairs, plus seating for about a dozen people, a small kitchen with tea/coffee making facilities and microwave, entrance hall and two toilets (one disabled). The cost of hire is £5 per hour from May - September and £7 per hour October - April (to cover extra heating and lighting costs). To hire the Hall please contact **Judith Little** on **813645**.



Home Made Hour



Thank you to everyone who supported our June and July Home Made Hours and for the donations of home made goods and produce.

As usual, there will be no Home made Hour in August. Our next Home Made Hour will be on **Saturday 6th September**, from 10.00-11.00am in the Village Hall. Please join us for tea, coffee, friendly company and the sale of home made cakes, jam, marmalade, trifles, savouries, scones etc, occasional plants/garden produce, hand made greetings cards. Refreshments are available and we also have live music and a raffle.



Individual Summer Puddings

350g mixed berries, fresh or frozen (raspberries, blackberries, redcurrants, blueberries and strawberries)
2 tbsp golden caster sugar
zest 1 lemon
sunflower oil, for greasing
3-4 slices slightly stale white bread, crusts removed



To serve

2 tbsp extra-thick double cream
2 tsp icing sugar, sifted

- Tip all the berries, apart from the strawberries, into a saucepan. Sprinkle over the sugar and stir. Set over a low heat and cook until sugar has dissolved and the fruit has started to release its juices. Increase heat, bring mixture to the boil, then simmer for 2 mins until fruit is soft and you have lots of deep red juices. Quarter the strawberries and stir into the berries, along with lemon zest. Remove the pan from the heat and strain the fruit through a sieve, reserving the juices.
- Lightly oil 2 x 175ml moulds (or 2 large teacups) and line with cling film. Using a pastry cutter, stamp out 2 small circles of bread to fit in the base of each mould. Dip one side into the reserved juices while still hot, and place, juice-side down, into the bottom of the lined mould.
- Cut another 2 larger circles from the bread, and slice the remainder into 2.5cm-wide strips that are the same height as the mould. Dip the strips into the juices and use to line the sides of the moulds in the same way, pressing each piece in place and overlapping slightly.
- Pack the strained fruit into the bread-lined moulds, reserving some fruit and juices for serving.
- Fold over any strips of bread that protrude from the mould, then dip the final 2 circles of bread in the juices and top the puddings to seal.
- Cover with cling film and push down firmly with the palm of your hand. Pop in the fridge to chill for at least 4 hrs, preferably overnight.
- When ready to serve, whip together the cream and icing sugar. Turn the puddings out onto plates, top with the reserved fruit and juices, and serve with the sugared cream.



Marking the journey

As we travel on our journey of life, we have different occasions to mark that journey, be it a baptism, confirmation, flying the nest, graduation, marriage, and many different ones that are not mentioned here.

I believe they all are testimony of a life lived, and of the presence of God in it, whether we believe it or see it, or not.

This year both the Church of England and the Methodist Church have marked the journey of women in ministry. The Church of England celebrates 20 years of ordained women in ministry and the Methodist Church celebrates 40 years of ordained women in ministry.

And this is the year in which I am being ordained as a minister in the Methodist church. Such a privilege, such an occasion, not only to be ordained, but to be ordained in the footsteps of women before me.

But as we mark such occasion, we are aware that it is only 20 years or 40 years that this has been so. What about before? Who brought about the change? Who took the risks of changing the status quo? To have arrived to this place, someone somewhere took a risk, because they believed that both women and men were created in the image of God, they believed that a good church is forged through its transformation into the likeness of Christ.

Let us be reminded of the story of Ruth and Naomi. In Ruth 1, Naomi loses her husband and her sons who were married to Moabite women, not women from their own chosen people, Israel. As Naomi loses all the men, she decides to go back to her homeland, and tells her daughter-in-laws not to follow her. As you can imagine she is broken, hurt, and alone. But, Ruth one of her daughter-in-laws chooses to follow her. She chooses to leave behind what she knows, and to go to an unknown place. Let's face it; Ruth's experience of Israel's God was not one of blessing. Yet, she chose to ally herself to God's people; she chose to take a very big risk, which we today commend as an act of great faithfulness as we are reminded that through her line, we trace Jesus' birth. Her risk became our blessing.

And like Ruth, there have been many in the Church that have taken risks that have become our blessing today.

So as we celebrate, as we mark the occasion, let us remember that there have been people before us that have taken risks, that may have suffered rejection, disappointment and hurt, but who nevertheless stood for what they believed, and as a result brought about change and transformation.

As we give thanks to God for those people, let's ask ourselves the question:

'What are the risks that we can take today for the kingdom of God, that will become a blessing to the generations that follow?'

How are we to be remembered? What are we offer to our church and our world today?

As we respond to those questions, let us remember in the words of Archbishop Justin Welby that 'in God's grace our very humanity is the material through which God's divinity is revealed.'

God's blessings,

Rev. Eva Walker

Great Holland Methodist Church

Barbecue with Live Music on 13th June

Our barbecue with Live Music was well attended and we were blessed with beautiful weather. We would like to thank Ray and Amanda for providing the musical entertainment.



Outing to Perrywood and Paper Mill Lock on 10th July

Our first stop was Perrywood Garden Centre and Nurseries, near Tiptree, where some of the group had lunch. From there we travelled to Paper Mill Lock at Little Baddow, where forty seven of us enjoyed a cruise along the Chelmer and Blackwater Navigation complete with cream tea. A few showers didn't dampen our spirits and it was a very enjoyable day out.



Great Holland Methodist Church

We are continuing with our social events that are offered to the village and would like to invite you to the following:



**Saturday 9th August
2.00-4.00pm**

Family walking Treasure Hunt around the village

**Entry fee + clues: 50p
Cream teas: £2.50**

Tickets available from Mavis on 421235 or at the coffee mornings held at the Methodist Church on Thursdays from 10.30am - midday



REMINDER!

Another reminder that we hold weekly coffee mornings in Great Holland Methodist Church Hall. They take place **every Thursday morning from 10.30am - 12.00 midday**. Please drop in for coffee, biscuits, toasted teacakes and the chance to make new friends. We also have donated goods for sale.

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GREAT HOLLAND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Chairman: Paul Fletcher-Tomenius **Vice-Chairman:** Robert Caines
Treasurer: Denys & Lindy Strich **Secretary:** Louise Goodwin & Hazel Martin:
Planning Officers: John Poulton, Tom Sandy & Eddie Forrest

Dear Residents,

In my last letter, I explained about the proposed new local plan and that this will mean 10-12% more houses in Tendring over the next fifteen years. The Council has created a new Local Plan Committee to manage this process. The first meeting has been held and the second one is scheduled for the coming week.

Some of you may have read my letter in the Gazette raising concerns over aspects of the first meeting, but I would like to repeat those observations here to ensure the widest possible understanding of the threat to Great Holland.

Tendring villages are dead! At least, that is the view of Gary Guiver, Planning Policy Manager for Tendring District Council expressed at the first meeting of the Local Plan Committee on 13th May.

To be more precise, Mr. Guiver wants to "breathe life into villages" by "small sympathetic development" and by extensions to village "envelopes" (that is to say, by making them larger). Now, bearing in mind that the brief of this committee is to produce a new local plan creating 12,121 new homes over fifteen years between 2016 and 2031, this is an extremely worrying glimpse of professional insensitivity and inappropriate involvement of council officers in the politics of planning from the outset of this controversial process.

I do assure Mr. Guiver that the rumours of the death of Great Holland have been much exaggerated and that its residents feel very strongly that it is a wonderful place to live, with a fine village hall, entertaining and interesting village newsletter, fine church and excellent pub, surrounded by lovely walks and views. I would not mind a fairly large bet that residents of most, if not all, of other Tendring villages would say something very similar.

That's right, Mr. Guiver, the villages are just fine as they are and do not need unelected officers of the council associating themselves with openly political statements of this nature. It is a political decision to declare at this stage of the process that TDC intends to create more development land in the villages and it is even more blatantly political to justify that position with propagandist phrases such as "breathing life into villages".

In our view, we should receive assurances that this intervention is regarded as inappropriate and that TDC understands and accepts the special sensitivity of small communities to development. We demand that our elected representatives control this process and that it is not simply a disguise for freeing lucrative development land for local entrepreneurs. We hope that other residents associations in the area will join with us in protesting over this inauspicious first meeting of the Local Plan Committee.

At the same time as drafting this letter, I wrote to the Chairman of the Local Plan Committee, Councillor G. Guglielmi, repeating these concerns and specifically seeking assurances regarding these events and asking when they intend to have an agenda item regarding village policy. At the time of writing this letter, I have had no response whatever, in spite of three reminders. This is particularly worrying, since it seems to indicate that our elected representatives feel no need to account for their actions or even to respond to specific questions from community organisations. There may be a reasonable explanation, but the lack of even a computer generated acknowledgement is very odd. Needless to say, a formal complaint is not very far away, since there is a code of conduct for councillors requiring them to conduct themselves appropriately. Failing to respond to legitimate concerns of the community they serve must, I think, breach these obligations.

The Great Holland Residents Association will continue to make its voice heard loudly and clearly on all matters affecting village interests. We may be a small community within a much larger Tendring, but we insist on a hearing.

Kind Regards to you all,

Paul Fletcher-Tomenius
Chair GHRA

GREAT HOLLAND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: 10th May 2014

Venue: Village Hall



MINUTES

The Chairman introduced himself and the Committee to the assembly:

Officers:

Chairman:	Paul Fletcher-Tomenius
Vice-Chairman:	Robert Caines
Treasurers:	Denys and Lindy Strich
Secretaries:	Louise Goodwin and Hazel Martin
Planning Officer:	John Poulten
Co-opted Members:	Eddie Forrest
	Tom Sandy
	Sandra Mooney
	Linda O'Reilly
	Sheila Watts
	Alan Large

ITEM 1:

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Judith and Brian Little, David Martin, Malcolm Graham, Ann Jones, Councillor Mick Page, Hilary Ratcliffe, Jill Baverstone.

ITEM 2:

MINUTES OF THE GHRA AGM 2013 AS PUBLISHED IN THE VILLAGE VOICE

The minutes were approved.

ITEM 3:

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 2013 AGM

There were no matters arising.

ITEM 4:

MINUTES OF THE GHRA EGM 2014 AS PUBLISHED IN THE VILLAGE VOICE

The minutes were approved.

ITEM 5:

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 2014 EGM

AOB: Monthly Home-made Hour

The proceeds from the Home-Made Hour at the Village Hall go to All Saints Church, not to the Village Hall, as stated in error.

ITEM 6:

PCSO REPORT

PCSO Michelle Diss reported on an arson event in October in Pork Lane (van on fire), abandoned vehicles, theft of a plant pot in Orchard Drive, and criminal damage in Little Clacton Road. There was a vehicle theft in March, from the drive of a house in The Crescent, which occurred between 10 and 11pm; no trace

of the vehicle was found. There were 2 burglaries in Kirby Road: in April between the hours of 9.50am and 12.30pm and in May between 3.30pm and 7pm, one from a house near the Cemetery and one near Pork Lane; in both events, rear patio doors were forced and jewellery was stolen in one incident and cash and a laptop in the other. The PCSO stated that most burglaries which occurred in Kirby prior to Christmas related to houses which backed onto open fields or railway lines and had been broken into at the back of the house, where thieves could not be seen from the main road.

The PCSO'S advice on home security is: lock all house windows and doors if going out, use time switches for lights, and when going to bed ensure that downstairs doors and windows are securely locked.

Road traffic accidents: there were 4 incidents on Holland Marshes and two in Little Clacton Road, mainly due to poor driving. In Little Clacton Road one vehicle overturned and one crashed taking a bend. A person was knocked off his bike in Kirby Road by a careless driver and there was a motorbike incident near the railway bridge.

A speed gun was deployed in Little Clacton Road on the morning of 1st May for 1 hour and 10 minutes; in that time, 35 cars were found to be driving above 30 mph, with the highest speed being 47mph. All details were sent to the department which deals with speeding and the culprits were sent a 'first offence' warning letter and an article was put in the paper to raise awareness. Michelle noted that there was only 1 small 30mph sign along the road, although there were 2 larger signs when approaching the limit from the lower end of the road. (Eddie Forrest commented that the GHRA has tried for many years to get more 30mph signs put down Little Clacton Road, but the Council has said that they are not needed.) The Police mobile van is not appropriate for monitoring speeding in Little Clacton Road as it is difficult to position the van appropriately because a straight line is needed in order to view oncoming traffic.

PCSOs: all 6 PCSOs are to be retained, although it was not known for how long. Councillor Bucke reported that the Council is still waiting to see the new contract for PCSOs, which will apply to the whole of the County, but this has not yet been drawn up, and the period of the contract is not yet known. The contract will hopefully confirm that as the Town Council are paying for all the PCSOs, they will be dedicated to this area alone, and will only be taken away in the event of national emergencies.

ITEM 7:

TREASURER'S REPORT

The accounts of the Association have not yet been audited, although they are with the Auditor; the Treasurer hopes to have them by the start of June. Income last year exceeded expenditure by £121, and the bank balance at the end of 2013 was £2,491. There are 407 residential households in the village, of which 62 households were members of the GHRA(15%) at the end of last year, and membership has dropped over the years. Following the EGM there were 82 members, and an additional 6 joined at the AGM meeting (21%). Cost of membership is £4 per household or £2 for a single person household. The balance at the bank is just over £2,500, which is down from last year because of expenditure relating to planning issues as described at the EGM, and cash in hand is £56. The Treasurer invited questions but there were none.

ITEM 8:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

The Chairman explained that the intention of the amendments is to regularise what is happening and reflect present practice. There were three amendments, which are set out in Appendix 1. The three amendments were put to the vote and were passed unanimously.

ITEM 9:

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

The Committee were elected unanimously by the members of the Association who were present.

ITEM 10:

PLANNING MATTERS

Current issues:

The details of GHRA's letter of objection to the Tendring Plan were given at the EGM; the letter was acknowledged on behalf of the Chief Planning Officer in an email to the Planning Officer, John Poulten. TDC have reviewed their own local plan and have 'gone back to the drawing board', as they recognise that their local plan will be rejected by the Government. 13 Councillors have been appointed to deal with revisions to the number of houses to be built, but in order to satisfy Government requirements, they are looking at doubling the numbers from 6% to 12 /13%, which would mean roughly 56 new houses to be built in Great Holland. There will be Council meetings on this subject every alternate month, starting from next Tuesday, until the end of the year; they are open to the public, however, the public are not allowed to speak at these meetings. All of the minutes and papers reviewed by the Councillors will be available on the Council website. This is an open process which will take until the end of this year, and we will know more then. GHRA will be notified of the finalised Tendring Plan, and objections to it can be sent at that time. We cannot anticipate the outcome, but we as an Association can monitor it. The 12% figure does not exist officially; the words used are 'proportional increase'.

Councillor Bucke said that the expectation is that there would indeed be a 6% increase on the original figure, as the Government has decided that even Green Belt land is not sacrosanct, and village boundaries are extendable. Our hope is that houses will be located where there are jobs for the people living in them.

Holland House: there was a notice in the Frinton & Walton Gazette of an application to build a house adjacent to Holland House. Tom Sandy has drafted a letter of objection because the house falls into the area to which GHRA objected in their letter to the Council of 2 months ago, in that it will reduce the views south east along the main road, and coalesce the village with Kirby Cross, which is exactly what we objected to in principle. The owners of Holland House do not object to the proposed building, but we as a village oppose any development in Area A shown on the plan published in the last issue of the Village Voice, and this house falls within that area. John Poulten therefore recommended objection. The Chairman stated that the generic policy is that the GHRA is involved if the issue has long term relevance to the way in which the village develops. Eddie Forrest stated that the planning officers might find it difficult to decline the Holland House application due to the recent passing of plans for 2 houses on the Paddocks. The Lion's Den was mentioned and a query raised as to whether the application was for 2 new dwellings or one detached house and 2 dwellings. It was thought that the Lion's Den will be demolished and a new detached house built on the site, plus 2 new dwellings. 2 bungalows have been approved.

ITEM 11:

UPDATE FROM LOCAL COUNCILLORS

Possible Closure of Kirby Tip

Robert Bucke was asked to comment on the leaked proposal to close the Kirby Recycling Site (Tip). The Chairman had asked the staff at the Tip if this proposal was true, and as they had heard nothing about it they questioned their employers, Veolia, who denied it was true. The suggestion is that it was a deliberate leak by the Council to see how people would feel about the closure. Closure of the Tip would entail the residents of Frinton, Walton, Lower & Upper Kirby and Great Holland having to drive to the Clacton Recycling Site. The Clacton site presently has the same capacity as Kirby, and closure at Kirby would treble rubbish going to the Clacton site. Councillor Bucke stated that the proposal was the subject of a document discussed by the County Council a year ago; he asked how many would support the closure, but no one raised their hand. Councillor Bucke questioned whether people would like a Tip in Great Holland, but John Poulten said that that was an unfair question. Kirby Tip was opened in the 1940s when the level of rubbish disposal was much lower - nowadays the use of the Tip generates thousands of vehicles going through lower Kirby. Councillor Bucke pointed out that TDC will collect most rubbish (not glass) but for a charge; the new Green Collection service would be a revenue stream for the Council - some Councils do

not charge, but TDC will charge £35 for a bin and £50 per annum thereafter. Although Councillor Bucke was personally in favour of closure, he would represent the community's views and residents could email him with their views if they wished to (the County Council funds the Kirby Site, so that closure is an Essex County Council issue). The view was expressed that if Kirby Tip closes, people will not drive to the Clacton Tip and will not pay the collection charges, so that the result will be more fly-tipping, the clearing of which is a cost to TDC. It was agreed that a letter would be sent to the Council from GHRA expressing forcefully that this facility should be retained in this particular area.

PCSOs

Councillor Bucke was asked about the PCSOs: he said that we used to have 8 PCSOs, 4 paid for by the Police and 4 by the Council; now there are 6, all paid for by the Town Council. The Council feels they are worth the cost as they contribute to the low levels of crime in this area.

ITEM 12:

DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Great Holland Residents' Association will be on 4th October at 10.30am in the Village Hall.

ITEM 13:

AOB

Potholes

Malcolm Graham has been in touch with the Council regarding the potholes in Church Lane, Manor Road and Rectory Road. The Council admitted it had been notified about this matter, but had not yet acted upon the information. This will be rectified urgently.

Permissive Footpath

The Permissive Footpath at the end of The Close had been closed by Adam Brown following a problem with a local resident. The Chairman had met with Adam Brown, who was willing to reopen the footpath but wanted GHRA to pay £200 for a gate and £200 per annum for the loss of crops on the footpath strip. The Chairman stated that GHRA cannot afford these sums. However, if people who are interested in using the footpath want to approach Adam Brown he would presumably offer the same deal to them.

Solar Farm

There is a rumour that the proposal for the solar farm has been abandoned, or that the farmer is likely to prepare a new application for a different area. However, nothing is known for sure.

Frinton Manor

Councillor Bucke had been told that the sewer to Frinton Manor would be run across the road in 2 or 3 weeks' time, and the road will be closed. The cottages are near completion and are 1 year behind schedule.

Village Shop

John Ratcliffe raised the issue of the Village Shop and PO. Apparently a Postmaster who runs a Post Office and shop elsewhere has applied for it and is waiting to hear. The Chairman commented that the Post Office will not pay for itself without the shop, and the Village should support the shop and PO when it reopens.

The Chairman closed the meeting by thanking the assembly for attending and announcing that the raffle would then be drawn.



GREAT HOLLAND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Date: 10th May 2014

Venue: Village Hall

MINUTES

Appendix 1

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION:

1. FROM (Paragraph 4.1)

‘The affairs of the Association shall be controlled by a committee comprising the Officers and Street Distributors elected from, and by, the members of the Association.’

TO

‘The affairs of the Association shall be controlled by a committee comprising the Officers and such other members of the Association co-opted by the Officers as they shall decide from time to time.’

2. FROM (Paragraph 4.2)

‘The management Committee shall include amongst its officers a Chairperson, a Treasurer and a Secretary.’

TO

‘The Officers shall comprise a Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer and, where suitable candidates can be found, a Vice-Chairperson and Planning Officer. The position of any Officer can be held jointly.’

3. FROM (Paragraph 4.3)

‘All Officers and members of the Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Association from and by the members of the Association on a democratic basis, for a period of one year, but may be re-elected to the same, or another, office the following year.’

TO

‘All Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Association on a democratic basis for a period of one year, but may be re-elected to the same or another office in subsequent years.’

POLICE NEWS



There are no Police Beat Surgeries until further notice

NEWS

I am unable to include all incidents that have been reported due to their sensitive nature.

3 x Road Traffic accidents

1 x Report of Flooding under Kirby Railway Bridge

1 x Dangerous Driving – no trace

Report of a disturbance – 2 people arrested

Abandoned vehicle – details passed to Council

Highway disruption – traffic lights in area

Audible Alarm – all in order

Criminal damage to a fence – maybe accidental

Suspicious vehicle – male asleep in back of vehicle

Criminal damage to Post Box at end of Westbury Road – being investigated

This happened possible sometime on the 6th July 2014. Did you see or hear anything? Please let us know.

ADVICE

If you see anything that is suspicious, out of the ordinary please call us. Be safe than sorry. If it looks wrong, call us. Keep Great Holland a safe and crime free place to live.

LOCAL NEWS

Due to match funding being withdrawn by Essex Police, Frinton and Walton Town council have decided to fully match fund the 6 PCSOs in the local area. All six PCSOs are fully dedicated to their role and fully appreciate the local concerns that residents may have crime wise and remain positive in keeping Crime and Anti-social behaviour down in the local area.

Take Care and enjoy the rest of the summer.

PCSO 70843 Paul Brassey
Walton Police Station
Martello Road
Walton-on-naze
Community Phone No. 07850 631017

paul.brassey@essex.pnn.police.uk

LOCAL NEWS

Vandalism in Great Holland

As can be seen from the photograph alongside the tiny red Post Box that has stood at the end of Westbury Road for many years has been vandalised. On inspection it is difficult to ascertain whether it was struck by a vehicle or that it has been deliberately smashed to get at its contents? It would appear that the damage occurred overnight on Saturday, 6 July. The Police have been informed and Cllr. Robert Bucke has been in touch with the Post Office regarding a replacement.



Essex Police Community Speed Watch

A speed watch was undertaken in Little Clacton Road on 15 May and, in a period of just over an hour, 34 vehicles were clocked doing between 37 and 44 mph. One individual was seen using a phone and another stopped to apologise that they were unaware of the speed limit.

Speed Reduction Campaigns

Campaigns are currently underway to reduce the speed in Kirby Road (to 30 mph) and Little Clacton Road (to 20 mph). Both these are now being referred to Tendring District Association of Local Councils for wider support in negotiations with Essex County Council through Tendring District Council.

Village Shop

It would appear that the applicant who expressed an interest in running a Post Office in Great Holland has backed out. However, Cllr. Robert Bucke has intimated that there is still another party who is interested in taking this forward. One cannot help but wonder that perhaps if the 'Post Office' moved at a quicker pace something might be achieved.

Public Rights of Way

The footpath behind Laxton Grove has finally been cut. At the time of writing it is hoped that others in the village have also been cleared. However, it would appear that these PROWs are only going to be cut once a year instead of twice, so no doubt this will be an ongoing problem.

Tendring District Council Local Plan

Cllr. Bucke reports that the TDC Local Plan committee have approved a series of reports which include identification of land for potential housing development to 2031. He has not yet identified any specific

allocations for Great Holland, but para.5.61 identifies 73ha of land to the south of the railway line and east of Kirby Road towards and joining up with Branscombe Close, Frinton. However, this land has not been promoted, so it is not known even whether it is available. Further meetings of the Local Plan committee will carry forward on the Government agenda which requires some 12,000 dwellings to be built in Tendring during the Plan period.



EASTER ART COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN

In the April/May edition of Village Voice, we invited children in the village aged 11 and under to enter an Easter art competition, and offered a prize of a huge jar of 'Jelly Bellies'. The lucky winner was Lily Knappett, aged seven, who lives in Little Clacton Road. The budding young artist is pictured below with local artist Maggie Murphy, who was asked to judge the competition and presented Lily with her prize. Well done Lily!



Lily's winning entry - in glorious colour - will be added to the Great Holland website shortly. Just a reminder that the website can be viewed at www.greatholland.com

ROSEY MEWS – 25TH ANNIVERSARY

Rosery Mews, built by Anglia Secure Homes in 1989 and presently managed by Peverel Retirement, celebrated its 25th Anniversary on Friday, 4th July. The event was marked by a get-together with the residents and was held outdoors on the patio as it was such a lovely day. A bouquet of flowers was presented to Mrs Joan Barrington-Short who has resided at Rosery Mews since its inception. Flowers were also presented to Celia, the House Manager, as a thank you from the residents for organising the event.



The cake was made by the 16yr old grandson (trainee chef) of residents Mr & Mrs Ridgewell.



ROSEY MEWS
ORCHARD DRIVE
GT. HOLLAND



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING
FRIDAY, 26th SEPTEMBER 2014
10.30 a.m.

PLEASE COME AND JOIN US
IN OUR COMMUNAL LOUNGE
EVERYONE WELCOME

£1 entry to include coffee and cake

Need a special cake for a special occasion...?

I was looking for a very special cake to take to my parents' recent Diamond Wedding celebration.

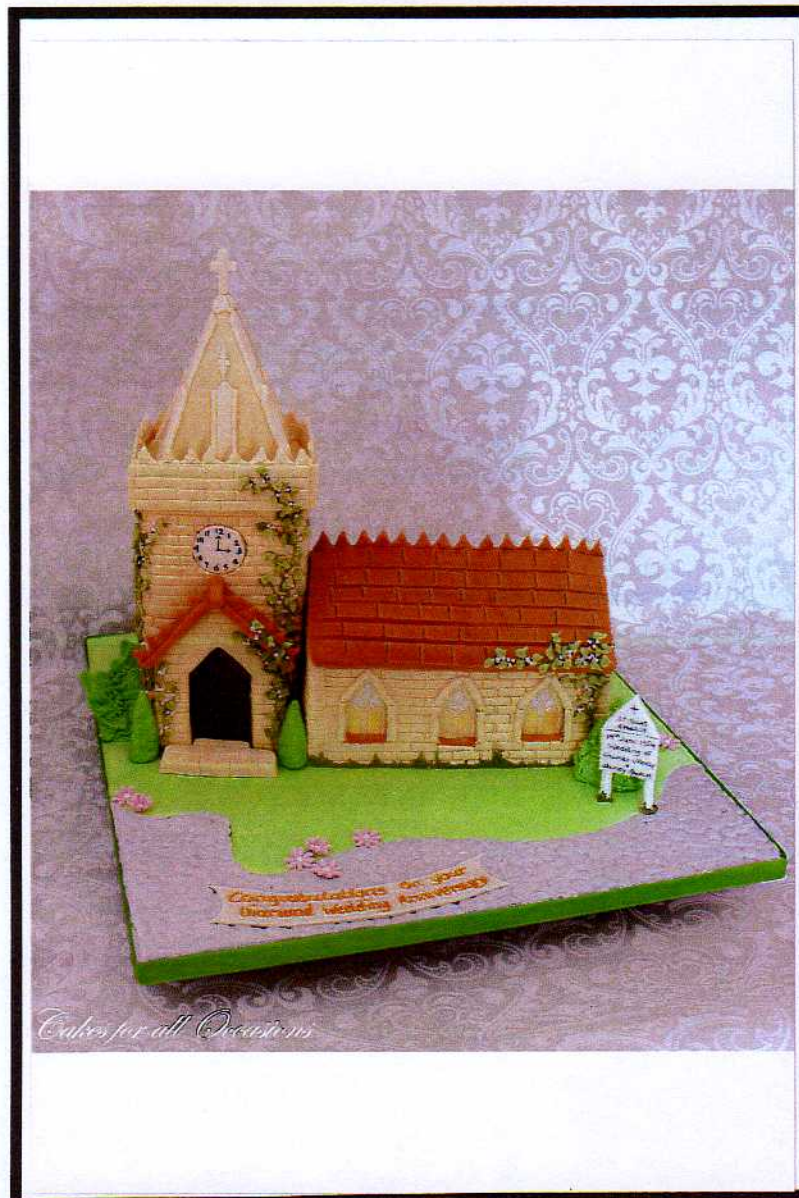
Readers may recall that a while ago, Village Voice featured an amazingly detailed cake in the shape of The Ship public house, made by Joanne Hollock (Cakes for All Occasions) of Beaumont-cum-Moze. That cake was made to mark the 70th birthday of a villager, whose family had arranged for him to celebrate the event at The Ship. I contacted Joanne to see if she could help.

Although right in the middle of the busy wedding cake season, Joanne found time to make me exactly the cake I was looking for - in the shape of an ivy-clad church complete with stained glass windows and an ornate tower, as pictured below. The photo can be viewed in colour on Great Holland's website shortly. Just go to www.greatholland.com.

My parents were absolutely delighted with the cake, especially as it was a complete surprise. Quite by chance, the church even looked similar to the one in which they were married 60 years ago! Everyone agreed that not only did the cake look stunning, but it tasted wonderful too.

Joanne can be contacted on **07990 587443** or **01255 862156** or by e-mail at joanne.hollock@sky.com
Cakes for All Occasions is also on Facebook.

Linda O'Reilly



Tendring First Ladies

We welcome **everyone** to this group that usually meets on the **first** Monday of each month, although this can vary due to Bank Holidays, at the Methodist Church Hall, Frinton (corner of Ashlyn's Road/Fourth Avenue). **Meetings start at 2.30pm.**

£2.00 is charged at each meeting to cover the cost of the room hire. We have a speaker who talks for about half an hour and then tea and homemade cakes are served. There is also a raffle.

THERE IS NO MEETING IN AUGUST

Monday 1st September
Celia Gwynn (The Spinning Lady)
Spinning a Yarn

For more details please contact Fiona Robertson:
01255 679006 or e-mail fiona348@btinternet.com



Friends and Neighbours of Great Holland

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 4th September** at 2 Great Holland Court (opposite the Village Hall), at 2.00pm. Everyone is welcome for tea, cake, a friendly chat and to plan activities for future meetings. You can bring your knitting or sewing if you wish.

Phyllis Margetts
851118



Frinton & Walton Postcard Club

Tuesday 12th August
Members' Evening Competition

Tuesday 9th September
Frinton's Front
John Barter

Our meetings take place at St Cedd's Hall, Frinton-on-Sea at 7.30pm

Sunday 14th September
Annual Postcard Fair

McGrigor Hall, Fourth Avenue, Frinton-on-Sea, 10.00am - 4.00pm
FREE ENTRY

Please telephone Margaret Wilsher on 674134 for more details

FRINTON & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Founded in 1892 and reformed in 1956

Affiliated to The Royal Horticultural Society



Evening meetings

(Non-members welcome). These are held on the first Wednesday of every month except January and August in St.Cedd's Hall, Old Road, Frinton at 7.00pm.for 7.30pm. (N.B. The December social evening is held in the McGrigor Hall, Fourth Avenue.)

The meetings provide the opportunity to socialise with others who are interested in horticulture and nature. On most months a guest speaker is commissioned to give a presentation on a topic of interest to gardeners and nature lovers. Refreshments are served prior to the presentation.

After the August break the social evenings resume on **3rd September** with:-

A talk by Liz Bruce and Mary Dean (archivists at the Heritage Trust's museum) entitled:- "Make Do and Mend". This is about rationing and household management during the Second World War and there will be the opportunity to sample some war-time baking.

On **1st October** Ian Rose will give an illustrated presentation entitled:- "Flowers of The Burren, Ireland".

Three Annual Shows (Spring, Summer & Autumn)

These are held in the McGrigor Hall, Fourth Avenue. The shows provide the opportunity to exhibit flowers, vegetables, pot-plants, petite floral arrangements, photographs, homecraft items and handicraft work. All exhibits must meet the criteria shown in the schedule which is supplied to members. The exhibits are judged by independent judges and afterwards members of the public are able to view from 1.30pm. Tea/coffee and cakes are available to purchase from 1.30pm until the prize giving at 3.30pm. The remaining show for 2014 will be held on **Saturday 20th September**. Non -members are welcome to submit exhibits. Enquiries to the secretary on **01255 672150**.

Outings

At least one Spring/Summer coach outing is arranged each year in collaboration with the Kirby Gardening Club.

Newsletters

Members receive three newsletters per year.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Society, please come along to one of the shows or social evenings or contact the membership secretary on **01255 676960**. The current annual membership subscription is £7.





THE FRINTON FESTIVAL 2014
ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, GREAT HOLLAND
Saturday, 31st May, 2014

The Celan Quartet

**Mathilde Milwidsky (violin), Timothy Crawford (violin), Timothy Ridout (viola),
Timothy Posner (cello) and Robert Max (cello)**

The bells rang out across the village from All Saints' Church at 6.40pm on Saturday 31st May, to welcome the performers and audience to the third concert in the inaugural Frinton Festival. Under the guidance and inspiration of its artistic director Robert Max, this new venture presented four concerts of chamber music - that is music for a small number of musicians, typically trios, quartets and quintets - on four consecutive days in four different venues, three of them churches. The All Saints' concert aimed to spread the experience a little further afield, literally so as some of the performers and audience decided to walk over the fields from Frinton!

A packed, beautifully-lit and beautifully-decorated church heard a marvellous and stimulating concert of music by Franz Schubert and Sergei Tanayev, superbly played by the Celan Quartet with Robert Max, in a venue absolutely ideal for this type of music. At this point it is appropriate to acknowledge the work of Ilze Robertson for her help at the church and also John Robertson for his excellent purpose built 'stage', which enabled the musicians to be seen and heard much better.

The concert opened with Schubert's 'Quartettsatz' in C minor. Composed in 1820 when Schubert was 23 years old, it is the first movement of a proposed 12th string quartet, put aside by the composer for some reason and never completed. The Celan Quartet beautifully brought out the juxtaposition of the instability created by the tremulous nature of the beginning with the lyricism of the other themes and provided us with a very satisfying opening to the concert.

The Celan Quartet were then joined by Robert Max on cello for Taneyev's String Quintet No. 1 in G. Taneyev was the featured composer in the festival and one of his chamber works was performed at each concert. Here we were given his first string quintet composed in 1901. Taneyev is a little known and rarely performed composer today so it was very useful earlier in the day to attend a talk given by the Taneyev expert and scholar Dr Anastasia Berlina-Johnson, who had travelled from Leeds especially for the festival. From this excellent added event we learned that Taneyev was a piano pupil of Tchaikovsky, a virtuoso pianist who had actually been the soloist in the first Moscow performance of Tchaikovsky's famous 1st piano concerto in 1875. He was also a teacher and composed music in all genres, including a major opera, but his expansive and technically challenging music for small chamber forces was clearly a significant part of his output.

As with his other works played at the festival, Taneyev's first string quintet was powerful and multi-faceted in a style that owed more to Austro/German music of the late 19th and early 20th century than to any overt Russianness. Taneyev, however, has his own unique way of pitting the serious against the more familiar, often with a quirky sprinkling of humour. The quintet was uniquely structured with a sprightly 1st movement, a playful middle movement and a massive final movement comprising a 'colossal theme' and 9 extended variations all played with great style, verve and sheer physical energy by our wonderful players..

This took us to the interval during which the audience gathered outside to enjoy a glass of wine, courtesy of the sponsor The Wine Company, and to reflect on what we had just heard.

If the Taneyev had been unknown to most people, the second half contained one of the glories of classical chamber music, Schubert's monumental string quintet in C. Composed in September and October 1828 during the period of his final illness and just a month before he died, it was not published until 1853. This splendid piece has many echoes of the pain of Schubert's last days with the sublime melody in the first movement, the heart-achingly beautiful Adagio and the sombre middle section of a lively scherzo; and even though the final movement dissolves some of this tension with lively Viennese flair, authentically and vividly played here, there is still present an element of the ominous in this movement which appears to crown his life's work. The group met all these challenges superbly to end the concert on a real high.

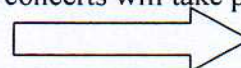
Long and enthusiastic applause greeted the musicians at the end of what had been a most successful and uplifting evening. We left the church hoping that this would be the start of a regular annual event which would bolster not only Frinton's cultural standing but Great Holland's also.

Jim Hawthorne



More concerts....

Did you enjoy this season's excellent Thursday lunchtime classical concerts at St Mary's Church, Old Road, Frinton? If so, you might be interested to know that four more concerts will take place there from September - December. Details are shown on the next page...





More Music @ St Mary's.....

CONCERTS SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER

SATURDAYS

at 3pm

27th September – Panos Karan (piano)

25th October - Ruth Young and Tim Osborne
Local young musicians (piano and flute) touring Essex

15th November - Stephen Evans
and the Capriol Consort return to give a varied programme of
Solos, Duets, Renaissance Consort, Jazz, Show Songs!

at 7pm

6th December – Stour Choral Society

Duncan Archard (Conductor), Panos Karan (piano), Beth Spendlove
(Kingfisher Ensemble) and Frinton Parish Church Choir.
Mozart Piano Concerto, Great choral works and Christmas carols

Tickets - £10

available from the Church Office, Old Road, Frinton (open
Mondays to Fridays, 9.30am to 12.30pm - 01255-679164) from
September 1st.

FOR SALE

Large Cast Iron lawn/ground roller - £50

Garden Groom, safety hedge trimmer - £30

(with collection bag, booklet and cd guide - hardly used)

Hardwood rectangle garden table with 6 chairs - £20

(1 chair is in need of repair)

Gas BBQ – Winchester Hooded 3 burner - £40

(with cover and booklet/guide)

Gas Bottle (nearly full) - £15

Honda Mountfield petrol mower - £20

(with booklet – tatty, but works)

CONTACT: 01255 676996

Monday Nights at The Princes Theatre

Clacton & North East Essex Arts & Literary Society

clactonartsandlits.com

Do you want to be entertained?

Do you want to go to the theatre during the winter months?

Then why not come and join

CLACTON & NORTH EAST ESSEX ARTS & LITERARY SOCIETY

Founded in 1904, and with a membership of over 850, the Clacton Arts & Literary Society is one of the largest of its kind in the country, and is a registered charity. The objectives of the Society are - "To promote, improve, develop and maintain public education in an appreciation of Science and the Arts, including the Arts of literature, music and drama "

These objectives may sound very 'stuffy' but remember these were written down almost 110 years ago, when times were very different. In a typical season - 8 weeks from mid October and a further 8 weeks from mid January - we devote eight evenings to music (in its many forms) and the other eight to drama, dance, and lectures, often with slides but always with either an adventurous, historical or scientific interest. Our season's programme is varied and wide ranging with something to appeal to all - well that's what we like to think, we soon know if something didn't go down well! Each season is well publicised to the membership through, mailing, local press and leaflet drop.

Our aim is to bring to our members high quality performers and speakers with an international reputation and also to promote performers of quality who may not, yet, be so well known, but are the stars of the future. Such is the reputation of the Society and so well known is it, in the Arts, that we are able to attract top quality artistes.

Does this appeal to you? If it does, why not come and join us for the new season starting in October. We are at the Princes Theatre, Clacton, on a Monday evening at 7.15 (doors open at 6.30)

The Society is funded by a very reasonable annual membership subscription of only -£45 - that's less than £3 a night! The committee endeavours to ensure that all members feel part of the Society, and we even maintain a small tradition of our Edwardian beginnings - a committee member greets you on the door - in black tie.

We are pleased to say that membership is now open, all you have to do is pick up the phone and dial **07812 941433** speak to Alan and you could be out on a Monday night this coming winter. Why not give us a try, there's no waiting list, we really look forward to greeting you on the door.

Great Holland Pits Nature Reserve:

Silk

As I write in early June, there are emerging a bumper breed of Small Tortoiseshell butterflies. There are several currently flying in their first brood of 2014, and there will probably be more. A few weeks ago I saw more broods of their caterpillars than usual. It is good to see these butterflies bouncing back from many poor years.

The adults, which hibernate in hollow trees, roofs and sheds emerge early and on warm spring days come out to mate and to take nectar from some of our early flowers. The females then disperse to lay batches of eggs on the top shoots of suitable stinging nettles. Large batches of eggs, up to eighty, are laid in a clump under a nettle leaf in a stand which has young stems and is in bright sun, not too lush nor too feeble. As they commit so many eggs to one place they need to be particular about their site.

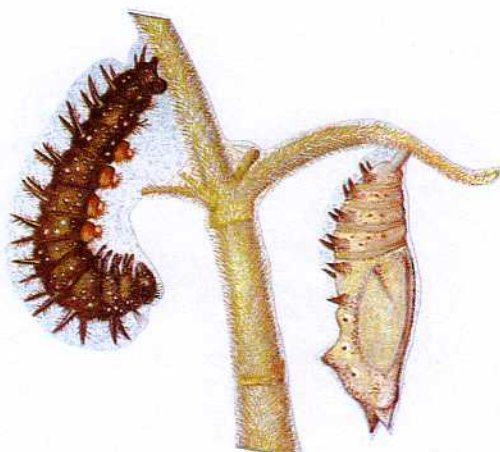
After two or three weeks, depending on the temperature, the eggs hatch and the caterpillars form a silken communal tent over the top of the plant, which can be discovered with experience. As they feed on the enclosed leaves they grow and in time moult four times, while gradually dispersing and finally pupating gluing themselves on to a woody stem. The adult emerges and goes through a much quicker cycle to produce a second brood in August. The adults tend to quickly find a suitable cool dry place to hide safe from predators, to go through to the next season. They may occasionally fly in the autumn to build up energy reserves to see them through the winter but generally they sleep in a safe place away from predators.

The cousin of the Small Tortoiseshell, the Peacock follows a similar lifecycle but only produces one brood each year, not two. The caterpillars in these two species start off similarly, but the first develops a light yellow stripe on each side while the other lots of white spots on the dark background.

The fibre used to create the web is similar to that produced by silk worms in their cocoon, long used to make fine fabrics. Invertebrates started to make these fibres early in their evolution. A range including, bees, flies, beetles, moths and spiders, can produce the threads for different purposes, webs, traps, gossamer kites, ropes and sticky string. Each fibre is a strand of natural plastic or polymer. That of the silk worm has further properties as the surface contains certain structures which have subtle reflecting properties which give silk fabrics their fine looks.

The Peacock butterflies seem to have laid more webs of eggs than usual which are due to hatch in July. The numbers may well be kept in check by the many specialist wasps and flies which parasitize them, but let's hope for a large number. As the magazine comes out there may be a lot of new webs of Small Tortoiseshells so keep a look out for the little silk tents on top of fresh nettle shoots in sunny borders.

**Bob Seago
Warden**



BIRCH HOE SOUTHDOWNS

BIRCH HOE FARM, PORK LANE, GREAT HOLLAND

We are sure you will have seen our sheep in the fields at our farm in Pork Lane, or read about our flock before, so we just wanted to share our recent success with the Village at a large county show. We show the sheep as a family and, so far this year, we have had a successful show season with Overall Champion Sheep at Essex Young Farmers' Show and some good results at the Suffolk Show, being placed first with a group of four sheep in May. We have recently returned from the Royal Norfolk Show where we got a first with a ewe lamb and some good results with the other lambs and shearling's . Our homebred Southdown Shearling Ram named Birch Hoe Meister was placed 1st in his class, and then took Champion male exhibit, only to finish off taking the Best of Breed Champion Sash and Rosettes. Following presentation of the prizes by the judges congratulations were offered by the Earl of Wessex. We will be at the Tendring show on 12 July hoping our good results continue.



The photo is of Andrew at home with Meister and our prizes from the Royal Norfolk Show.

**VILLAGE HALL GREAT HOLLAND COMMITTEE of MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING
GREAT HOLLAND VILLAGE HALL
14th June 2014**

PRESENT :-

Sue Jenkins	: Chairman
Sheila Watts	: Treasurer
Jim Stuart	: Secretary
Veronica Stack	
Coralie Harris	
Robert Bucke	
Tim Reynolds	: Non Voting member

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING :-

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15th February 2014 were approved and signed.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

David Martin

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

FENCE BETWEEN THE HALL AND MRS BUSH

This fence has been damaged and Mrs Bush has requested that we pay for the repairs in the sum of £30.00. However as this is not our fence we denied any responsibility but, as a gesture of goodwill we agreed to pay £10.00 towards to repairs.

SECURITY LIGHTS

Mrs Bush reported that a car had been parked in our car park at 10.30 P.M. and she, quite rightly, reported the matter to the police. It transpired that it was a patron of the Ship Inn. However when the police came to investigate our security lights did not function and we are to look into this and take remedial action if necessary.

THE SHIP INN

We have been advised by Bernie that, if we wish, he would be happy to place donation buckets at his August Bank Holiday function for any contributions to the cost of refurbishing the Ladies toilet. We are happy to accept his kind invitation.

FUND RAISING

We are to organise a Quiz night in the hall on 6th December next during which a light supper will be provided.

THANK YOU

We extend our thanks to

- 1) Tom Sandy for revamping our Jubilee board.
- 2) Paul Harris for his work on the car park area.
- 3) Tim Reynolds for his work on our accounts and our constitution.

CONSTITUTION

Copies of our proposed new constitution have been circulated and, if there are no amendments, this will be signed at our next meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Tim Reynolds produced out annual accounts, a copy of which is attached. We are in a good financial position with income up slightly and expenditure down. Mr Reynolds has agreed to update the Charity's web site with the new figures.

FUTURE EXPENDITURE

The Hall furniture is now nearing the end of its useful life and needs to be replaced. We are to purchase five new tables and sixty new chairs. The chairs will have padded seats for increased comfort.



NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held in the hall on 6th September at 11.15 A.M.

VILLAGE HALL GREAT HOLLAND COMMITTEE of MANAGEMENT A.G.M. GREAT HOLLAND VILLAGE HALL 14 June 2014

PRESENT :-

Sue Jenkins	: Chairman
Sheils Watts	: Treasurer
Jim Stuart	: Secretary
Coralie Harris	
Robert Bucke	
Veronica Stack	
Tim Reynolds	: Non voting member

CHAIRPERSONS ADDRESS

Sue gave a précis of the previous year.

- 1) The gents toilets were refurbished
- 2) The hall received a Spring Clean
- 3) Our fund raising event raised £111.00
- 4) We received a donation from the village fete of £455.00 for which we offer our thanks
- 5) We received a donation from the jubilee committee of £100.00 for which we offer our thanks

OUR TO DO LIST

Refurbish ladies toilets

Purchase 5 new tables

Purchase 60 new chairs

Refurbish the windows starting with the 'blown', ones

Security lights to be checked

Over the next two to five years we will need to repair the roof over the kitchen and the ladies toilet.

FINANCE

Our finances are in a good position at present and a copy of the accounts and details of our income and expenditure are attached herewith. However it was noted that we have some expenditure coming up so we will need to continue with our fund raisings efforts.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

All the committee members agreed to stand for a further year and were duly elected.

GREAT HOLLAND VILLAGE HALL

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - YEAR TO 30th SEPTEMBER 2013

	Notes	<u>2013</u> £	<u>2012</u> £
<u>Ongoing activities</u>			
Receipts			
Hire of hall	1	9,104	8,589
Fund raising and donations		257	424
Bank interest		194	14
Sundry		12	11
		<u>9,566</u>	<u>9,038</u>
Payments			
Cleaning & materials		1,543	1,516
Council tax		165	160
Gas, water and electricity		1,567	1,801
Administration and insurance		809	771
Licences and subscriptions		20	20
Sundry repairs and renewals		550	501
Sundries		0	129
		<u>4,654</u>	<u>4,899</u>
Net receipts from ongoing activities		4,912	4,139
<u>Major repairs & improvements</u>			
Heating system		-	(3,540)
New path and other items		-	(1,035)
Insurance claim		-	495
Car park		(2,500)	-
		<u>(2,500)</u>	<u>(4,080)</u>
Grants received		-	-
Net payments for major repairs & improvements		<u>(2,500)</u>	<u>(4,080)</u>
Net receipts/(payments) for the year		<u>2,412</u>	<u>59</u>
Cash and bank balances at 1st October		13,121	13,062
Cash and bank balances at 30th September		<u>£15,533</u>	<u>£13,121</u>

The notes on page 2 form part of these accounts

GREAT HOLLAND VILLAGE HALL

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 30th SEPTEMBER 2013

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Monetary assets	£	£
Bank and cash balances		
- One year bond	5,130	5,000
- High interest savings	5,062	5,000
- Cash at bank	4,931	3,031
- Cash in hand/(owing to Treasurer)	411	90
	<u>£15,533</u>	<u>£13,121</u>

Non-monetary assets

Land and buildings used by the charity: The Village Hall
(freehold title vested in the Official Custodian for Charities)

Furniture and equipment in hall (cost unknown) comprising:-

- electronic organ, tables, chairs, kitchen equipment etc (all in good condition and 10-15 years old)

SHEILA WATTS

Hon. Treasurer

14th June 2014

For and behalf of the Management Committee.

Accountant's Report

I have prepared, without carrying out an audit, the accounts of the charity from the accounting records and information and explanations supplied to me.

TIM REYNOLDS FCA

14th June 2014

Kinchyle, Church Lane, Great Holland
FRINTON-ON-SEA, Essex CO13 0JS

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER 2013

1. HIRE OF HALL DETAILS	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Badminton - Tuesday	656	891
Carpet Bowls	900	900
Coastal Choir	414	-
Dogs & Aerobics	388	1,071
Home Made Hour	126	144
Keep Fit Pilates	602	-
Kingfisher Baton	270	-
Links Karate	1,980	1,998
Male Choir	434	-
Parties	156	81
Personal Trainer	378	387
Tai Chi	1,409	1,620
Tai Chi meditation	548	434
TDC - elections	302	-
Zumba	-	463
Sundry hire receipts	540	600
	<u>£9,104</u>	<u>£8,589</u>

WHAT'S ON IN YOUR VILLAGE HALL?



Day	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Sunday			
Monday		Tendring Male Voice Choir 3.00 – 4.30 p.m. Contact: Ilze 813909	Cardio Vascular 6.45 – 7.30 p.m. Pilates 7.30 – 8.30 p.m. Contact: Claudine 862505
Tuesday	Gentle Tai Chi with meditation 11.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Contact: Ruth 07724 133702 	Carpet Bowls 2.00 – 4.00 p.m. Contact: Les Miller 671214	Links Karate 5.30 – 7.30 p.m. Contact: Paul Harris 830136 Badminton 9.00 – 10.30 p.m. 671300 
Wednesday		The Coastal Singers (mixed voices) 2.30 – 4.30 p.m. Contact: Ilze 813909 	Aerobics 7.00 – 8.00 p.m. Contact: Claudine 862505
Thursday	Tai Chi 9.30 – 12.30 a.m. Contact: Des Exworth 679610 (additional classes are available)		Circuit Training Fitness Class 7.00 – 8.00 p.m. Contact: Paul Hammond 07932 371476
Friday			Links Karate 6.00 – 8.00 p.m. Contact: Paul Harris 830136 
Saturday	 Home Made Hour 10.00 – 11.00 a.m. 1 st Saturday in the month (NOT January, February, August or October)		

Rate for hire of Village Hall

£10 per hour. Please contact Coralie Harris on 830136 to book. (Email: coralieh@live.co.uk)

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FROM THE ARCHIVES

'MEMORIES OF THE SUMMER OF 1952'

(EXTRACTS FROM THE LOCAL PAPER – THE EAST ESSEX GAZETTE 1952)

15 August – Gt. Holland's landmark to go!

The Mill – a 75 feet high landmark for more than 100 years – was to be partly demolished. Mr. J. Smith, owner of the mill, said he greatly regretted the necessity, but the cost of restoring it was too great for him. For about two years the National Trust endeavoured to save the property. But finally they had to release it as they could not pay for its restoration either. Work on part demolition had begun on the previous Monday when 15-year old Shirley Ann Smith, Mr. Smith's only daughter, pulled a rope which caused the windshaft to crash to the ground. Mr. A. Clarke and his son, of Ipswich, had begun work on the mill, and when they had reduced the height to 30 feet it would be roughcast and milling would continue.

Gt. Holland Mill was completed in March 1846 and was built on the site of two former mills. Being the only mill around it was a landmark used on Admiralty charts. Six years after it was built the sails and top blew off and a different shaped top was erected. The owner installed a steam engine made at Ipswich and taken to Frinton beach by barge. For years the mill worked well, but it cost the life of one of its owners, Mr. Maurice Pike, who fell from a ladder when the mill's rake did not hold one windy day. Mr. J. Smith's father, Mr. W Smith, went to Gt. Holland in 1926. The Smith family have been millers for 400 years. In 1923 the sails were removed and, in 1928, a diesel engine replaced the steam engine. Mr. J. Smith took over from his father in 1933 and in 1944 replaced the diesel engine with electric machinery.

26 September – Kirby School Harvest Festival

A large gathering of parents and friends attended a harvest festival service at Kirby and Gt. Holland School on Monday. Tables were laden with a variety of colourful fruit, eggs, vegetables, jam, jellies, honey and other groceries, flowers and two rich sheaves of wheat which were sent by Mr. Lott. Children sang the harvest hymns with spirit and enthusiasm. Some hymns were sung as solos by the youngest and oldest children. Portions of scripture were read by pupils of Class 1. Before the close of the service Mrs. R A. Furlong, headmistress, thanked parents and friends, teachers and children for their enthusiasm in making an excellent varied display. She mentioned that the gifts would be taken to Clacton Hospital and urged girls, who could do so, to follow 'the noble profession' of nursing. Mrs. Furlong said that money taken at the collection, £3.2.9d., would be sent to the Lynmouth Relief Fund. The gifts were taken to Clacton Hospital by Mrs. Furlong, Mrs. Edmonds, Anne Higby (representing Gt. Holland) and Leonard Watson (representing Kirby).

26 September – Store Shed Destroyed

A store shed containing gas stoves, ranges, straw, coal, crockery, timber and other articles belonging to Mr. Nicholas Lysandrides, at White House, Gt. Holland, had been destroyed by

fire the previous Sunday afternoon. Apparently the fire had started from a small rubbish fire which had blown into the open shed and set the straw and other articles alight. Mr. Lysandrides summoned the fire brigade from Frinton and in the meantime attempted to put out the fire himself. The brigade sent a pump escape and water tender in the charge of Divisional Officer Kehoe. The brigade, who worked for two hours, prevented the fire from spreading. Mr. Lysandrides is a well-known Clacton restaurant proprietor.

10 October – Ascham College Reunion

The toast "Ascham College" was proposed by Mr. Sid Starling, the first pupil to be registered at the college when it moved to Clacton from Walton-on-the-Naze in 1887. Mr. Starling recalled that the college had been named after the famous scholar, Roger Ascham, who was born in 1515 and died in 1568. During his lifetime he taught the princess who was to become Queen Elizabeth. Many years ago, said Mr. Starling, Ascham College had been started at Thorpe-le-Soken by the grandfather of Mr. Ralph Wilson (who lived at Ascham Court (now High Trees, Kirby Road, Gt. Holland) and his own father had been a boy at that school when it was at Thorpe. Later the school had been moved to Walton and he remembered his own father talking with Mr. Ralph Wilson's father about the possibility of starting the college at Clacton. Eventually the college had been transferred to Clacton and he remembered how, as a small boy, he had been taken up Holland Road to begin his first day there in 1887.

*Liz Bruce
History Recorder
July 2014*

Frinton & District Horticultural Society

Wednesday 3rd September

'Make Do and Mend'

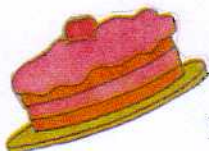
A talk by Liz Bruce and Mary Dean

Wednesday 1st October

'Flowers of The Burren, Ireland'

Illustrated presentation by Ian Rose

Our meetings take place at St Cedd's Hall, Frinton-on-Sea at 7.30pm



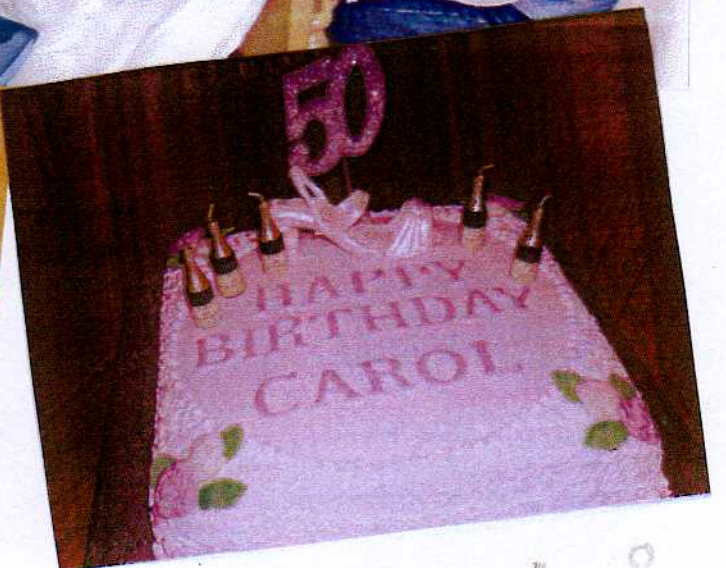
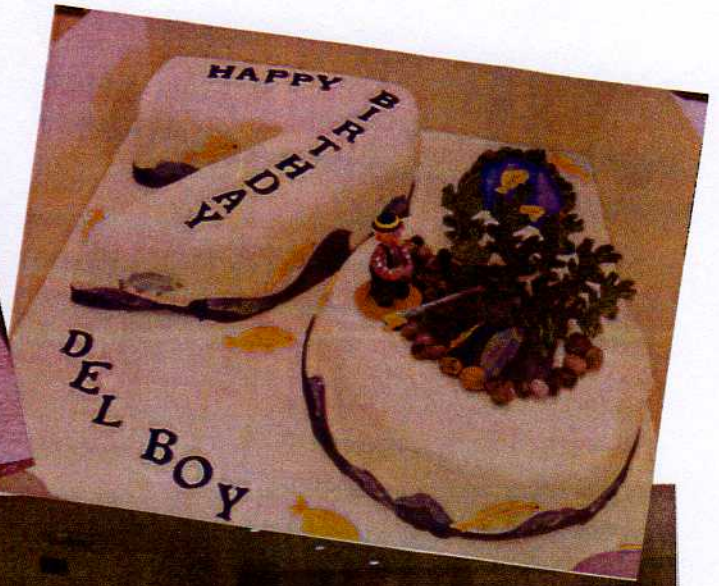
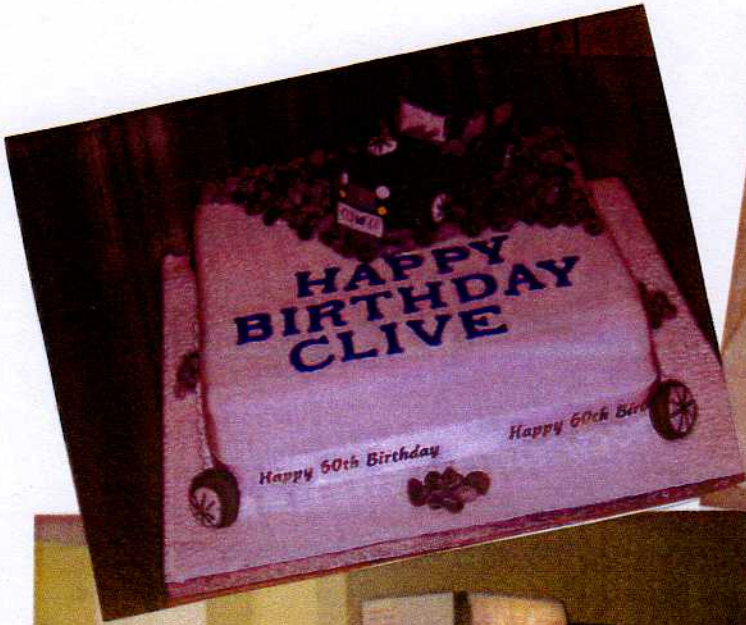
Saturday 20th September

Autumn Show

McGrigor Hall, Fourth Avenue, Frinton-on-Sea, 1.30pm



Cake-making classes have been organised by Rose at the Orchard Tea Room recently and it is hoped to arrange a further two before Christmas. Anyone who has an interest in joining one of these classes should contact Rose on 674621. Cakes can also be made to order as seen from the photo collection below.



News From Thorpe-Le-Soken Surgery

Surgery Newsletter August 2014

Hello again from Thorpe-Le-Soken Surgery. We are well into the holiday season now and I hope you have all been enjoying some of the fine weather we have been having lately. The sporting events around the country have benefitted from the mild weather and most recently the Tour de France has attracted a large number of spectators. I hope this is another motivation to get those bikes dusted off- lycra is an optional extra!

As some of you are aware having attended the recent PPG meeting and Kirby Residents Association meeting there are plans afoot for us to take over the currently defunct Kirby Surgery. This is very much an expansion of the services already on offer at Thorpe and not a reduction in local services. The plans include new medical and administration staff to be able to cope with the additional number of patients. The leadership at Thorpe surgery see these plans as a way of providing good General Practice services for a larger number of local residents whilst at the same time securing the future of Thorpe surgery. Until this plan has been approved by NHS England we are not in a position to take any patients currently living in the area previously covered by the Kirby Cross Surgery and registered at Walton Surgery, this would mean that we would be overwhelmed by a rapid expansion in list size and not having the resources to meet that demand. We have been delighted by the support shown by Thorpe PPG and the Kirby Residents Association for this plan and we hope to hear from NHS England soon that they are going to approve.

At this crucial time of change and development it is important that you are aware of meetings held by the PPG, this is the forum that the Surgery will use to keep patients up to date with news on the deal. To ensure you know what's going on joint the PPG, they are a friendly group of all ages but have a shared interest in keeping GP services local. You can get on the mailing list by sending a message to the secretary Lorna Dodman on ppg.thorpesurgery@nhs.net. If you wish to receive minutes or other letters through the post please provide Lorna with a self-stamped address envelope, you can do this by dropping one into the surgery.

Our new dispenser/receptionist Annette Currie is starting to find her feet having been a dispenser at Boots Chemist previously. Some of you will also have seen Phil Mahmoud helping on the reception desk as he is home from university for the summer, he has been a regular helper for the past couple of years and is very much a welcome addition to the team when we are covering staff holidays.

On the subject of University, when young people leave home for the first time to go to university it is better that they are registered with a Doctor local to the university. This means that the doctor will have the patient records enabling better medical treatment, mum or dad are not going to be around to tell the doctor about any possible allergies to things like anti-biotics and past immunisation history. When the student comes home they can be seen as a temporary patient by their family GP who will not only have some medical record from before university but the benefit of mum and dad as well.

I hope to be able to give more certain news regarding the Kirby surgery in the September issue but in the mean-time wish you all a lovely summer.

Karen Austen