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# Great Holland Village Voice



Don't forget the GHRA meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> October!



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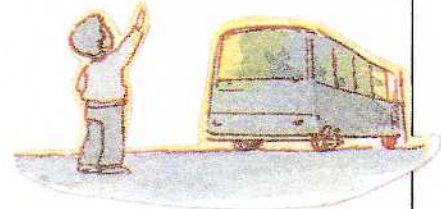
... to the October/November edition of **Village Voice**.

There will be a meeting of  
**Great Holland Residents' Association**  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October  
Village Hall - 11.30am

**Coach trip to Bury St Edmunds**  
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October  
Cost: £8 per person

**PICK UP POINTS:**

- 9.10am: The Roaring Donkey, Holland-on-Sea
- 9.15am: Great Holland Methodist Church
- 9.20am: Frinton Methodist Church



**Only three seats left!**  
**TO BOOK A SEAT, PLEASE TELEPHONE ANNE LOTT on 675065 ASAP**



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 December 2013 or January 2014 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?
- Do you want to advertise any items for sale/your business/service?

Please contact Linda on **852195** or Sandra on **672453** with details, two weeks before the printing date if possible. Please note that Sandra deals with the advertising side of the magazine. The next edition of Village Voice will be printed on:

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November**



# Falling Leaves

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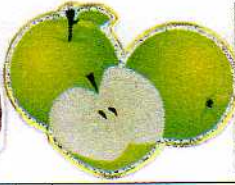


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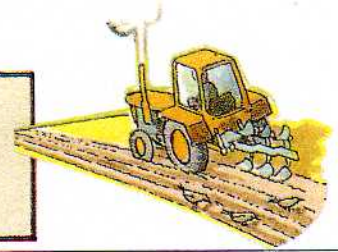


<b>Member of Parliament</b>	Mr Douglas Carswell MP	<b>423112</b>
<b>Residents' Association</b>	Lucy Margetts (Chair)	<b>815014</b>
<b>All Saints' Church Minister</b>	Rev. Mark Holdaway	<b>675997</b>
<b>Methodist Church Minister</b>	Rev. Eva Walker	<b>851179</b>
<b>Village Hall Committee</b>	Ms Sue Jenkins (Chair) Mrs F Harris (Bookings)	<b>850317</b> <b>830136</b>
<b>Great Holland Village Stores</b>	Main Road	<b>674359</b>
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<b>Tendring District Council</b>	Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton CO15 1SE  Cllr. Mr Robert J Bucke Cllr. Mr Mark A Cossens	<b>686868</b> (Emergency/ Out of Hours: <b>2220220</b> )  <b>677495</b> <b>861374</b>
<b>Dog Warden</b>	(Tendring District Council)	<b>0845 2417253</b>
<b>Essex County Council</b>	Cllr. Mr Michael (Mick) Page	<b>672410</b>
<b>Neighbourhood Watch Administrator</b>	Please call <b>101</b> and ask to speak to Paul Teague.	
<b>Crime Reduction Officer</b>	Please call <b>101</b> and ask to speak to David Gillies.	
<b>Crimestoppers</b>	<b>0800 555111</b>	
<b>Mobile Library</b>	Calls fortnightly every other Thursday at <b>Rosery Mews</b> only. Arrives 10.00am, departs 10.30am - see Diary page for dates.	
<b>Civic Amenity Tip</b>	<p>Maltings Lane, Kirby-le-Soken.</p> <p><b>The Civic Amenity Tip opens at 9.00am.</b></p> <p><b><u>The Tip is closed every Tuesday and Wednesday.</u></b></p> <p>Winter opening times (until 29<sup>th</sup> February 2012): 9.00am- 4.00pm          Summer opening times (1<sup>st</sup> March-15<sup>th</sup> October): 9.00am-5.00pm</p> <p><b>Late night opening during summer no longer takes place.</b></p>	

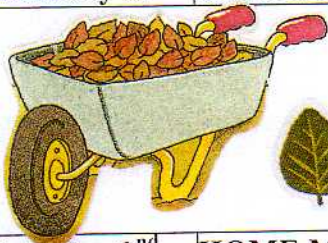
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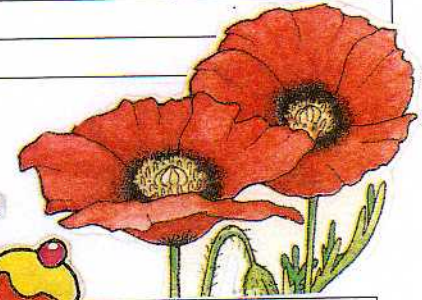
## October



Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Coffee Morning:</b> Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday <b>Friends and Neighbours of Great Holland:</b> We will be meeting at 2 Great Holland Court (opposite the Village Hall), at 2.00pm. Further details elsewhere in magazine.
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>PCSO Surgery:</b> Parker's Nursery, Frinton Road, Kirby Cross, 10.00-11.00am.  ★ <b>MEETING OF GREAT HOLLAND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION</b> ★ <b>Village Hall - 11.30am</b>  <b>Karaoke Night at The Ship.</b>
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>TFL meeting:</b> Frinton Methodist Church Hall, 2.30pm. Our speaker will be <b>John Wright</b> from Wrights Butchers. More about this friendly social club elsewhere in magazine.
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Coffee Morning:</b> Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday <b>Mobile Library</b> visits Rosery Mews.
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Harvest Festival Event:</b> Great Holland Methodist Church, 10.00am-4.00pm. Refreshments available, including sausage rolls and toasted teacakes. More details elsewhere in magazine.
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Harvest Festival Event:</b> Great Holland Methodist Church, 2-4.00pm.
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Coffee Morning:</b> Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday.
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Coffee Morning:</b> Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday <b>Mobile Library</b> visits Rosery Mews.
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Frinton Farmers &amp; Craft Market:</b> McGrigor Hall, Frinton 9.00am-12.00pm
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Charity Quiz Night at The Ship.</b> Starts 8.00pm
Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Coffee Morning:</b> Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday



## November



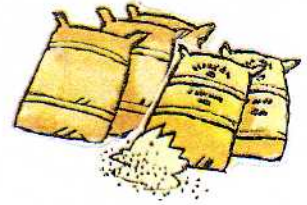
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>HOME MADE HOUR:</b> Village Hall, 10.00-11.00am
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>TFL meeting:</b> Frinton Methodist Church Hall, 2.30pm. <b>Robin Cooper</b> will speak about Frinton Ironmongers Blowers & Cooper 1903-1998.
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Coffee Morning:</b> Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday <b>Mobile Library</b> visits Rosery Mews. <b>Friends and Neighbours of Great Holland:</b> Meeting at 2 Great Holland Court. 2.00pm.
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Ploughman's with a Quiz:</b> Methodist Church, 7.00pm. £4. More details elsewhere in magazine.
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>PCSO Surgery:</b> Parker's Nursery, Frinton Road, Kirby Cross, 10.00-11.00am.
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Coffee Morning:</b> Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday
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Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Charity Quiz Night at The Ship.</b> Starts 8.00pm
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Coffee Morning:</b> Methodist Church, 10.30am-12.00 midday



To include events for **December 2013** or **January 2014** in the Diary section of the next edition of **Village Voice**, please contact Linda on 852195 or Sandra on 672453 by **15 November** if possible.

PLEASE RING ELAINE ON 674809 FOR FURTHER DETAILS OF ANY EVENTS PLANNED AT THE SHIP DURING OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

# All Saints' Church



## Rector's article ...

This month I want to highlight Harvest, something many of us either take for granted, or simply forget about.

As a church we don't want to do that and so we'll be remembering Harvest and the wonderful ways that God provides for us at our morning services on Sunday 6 October.

My encouragement to you is to come and join with us as we do that. Our services will be for all-ages, simple and family friendly.

As usual, as part of the service, we all have the chance to give our harvest gifts.

This is a symbol and recognition that God gives to us, and a chance also to be just a bit like him, giving generously and supporting others.

This year we plan to support two different initiatives with our gifts.

The first is the **Walton and District Community Foodbank**.

This is a voluntary organisation originally set up by Walton Churches Together and now run by many different members of the community.

The primary mission of the Foodbank is to give Emergency Food Aid to those in financial distress. It covers the area of Frinton, Great Holland, Kirby Cross, Kirby le Soken and Walton on the Naze. Those who approach one of the partner organisations can collect a Foodbank Voucher and then exchange it for a Food Parcel.

The FoodBank looks for support from people to help and also the provision of non-perishable food to go into the parcels.

The second organisation is **Tools With A Mission**. Tools with a Mission enables people to earn a living and to support themselves.

In many countries of the world people have few skills, little education and no means of earning a living. A switch from aid dependency to self sufficiency is impossible without help.

TWAM started twenty seven years ago, and has since then provided this help by collecting and refurbishing tools and equipment no longer required in the UK and sending them overseas.

So, we're collecting hand tools in whatever condition.

We hope that we'll be able to support both organisations well this year.

**Mark**

## From All Saints' Diary - OCTOBER:

Wednesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	11.00am-12 noon 2.00pm	Wednesday Bible Group. See Church notice board for details. Friendship and Interest Group St Michael's Hall
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.00am 12.30pm</b>	<b>HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE, followed by Harvest lunch at St Michael's Church Hall</b>
Wednesday	9 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am-12 noon	Wednesday Bible Group. See Church notice board for details.
Saturday	12 <sup>th</sup>	4.00pm	Music and dancing by the Maasai Warriors from Kenya In St Michael's Church.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>
Wednesday	16 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am-12 noon 2.00pm	Wednesday Bible Group. See Church notice board for details. Friendship and Interest Group in St Michael's Hall
Saturday	19 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am-4.00pm	Chelmsford Bible Conference at the Central Baptist Church.
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
Tuesday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	2.15-4.15pm	'Teapot' at the Baker Hall. Pop in for tea, cake and a chat.
Wednesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	11.00am-12 noon	Wednesday Bible Group. See Church notice board for details.
Saturday	26 <sup>th</sup>	7.30-8.30pm	Prayer meeting at the Baker Hall <b>CLOCKS GO BACK</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Morning Worship</b>
Thursday	31 <sup>st</sup>	tba	"Light" party: fun, games and sweets for the whole family! (time and venue to be announced)
(Halloween evening)			



## From All Saints' Diary - NOVEMBER:

Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00-11.00am	Home Made Hour in the Village Hall
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>11.00am 4.15pm</b>	<b>Morning Service Service for the Bereaved at St Michael's Church</b>
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup>	11-12 noon 2.00pm 7.30pm	Wednesday Bible Group. See Church notice board for details. Friendship and Interest Group in St Michael's Hall All Saints PCC in the Parish Room

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>8.00am</b> <b>10.50am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (joint with Kirby)</b> <b>Act of Remembrance at the Village Memorial followed by</b> <b>Service of Remembrance at All Saints.</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am-12 noon	Wednesday Bible Group. See Church notice board for details.
		2.00pm	Friendship and Interest Group in St Michael's Hall
Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup>	1.00pm	Parish lunch at St Michael's Church Hall
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Morning Service</b>
Tuesday	26 <sup>th</sup>	2.15-4.15pm	'Teapot' at the Baker Hall. Pop in for tea, cake and a chat.
Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup>	7.30-8.30pm	Prayer meeting at the Baker Hall

## FROM THE REGISTERS:

### BAPTISMS:

We welcome **Scarlet Rusbridge** into the family of All Saints

### WEDDINGS:

We offer our congratulations to:

**Christopher Rogers and Joan Aquilina**

### FUNERALS:

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

**Don Elam (79)      Walton Road, Walton-on-the-Naze      All Saints & Kirby Cemetery**



## HARVEST FESTIVAL

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00am**

Everyone welcome

This year we would be grateful for  
**Non-perishable food** which will be given to the local  
food bank, or,

**All types of hand tools** in whatever condition for TWAM  
(Tools with a Mission). They are also asking for duvet  
covers or curtains to make into bags, as well as  
haberdashery & knitting or crochet needles & patterns.



GREAT HOLLAND VILLAGE & CHURCH FÊTE 2013



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GREAT HOLLAND CHURCH AND VILLAGE FÊTE 2013  
HELD SATURDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST AT THE OLD RECTORY

The summary accounts for the fête are given below.

	2013 £	2012 £	Variance Better/ (Worse) £
<b>SUMMARY</b>			
Entrance Fees	548	553	(5)
Stalls (see detail)	2,238	2,192	46
Sideshow (see detail)	1,782	1,793	(11)
Refreshments	702	751	(49)
	5,270	5,289	(19)
Add: Donations	113	211	(98)
	5,383	5,500	(117)
Deduct: Expenses	833	755	(78)
<b>FÊTE NET SURPLUS</b>	<b>4,550</b>	<b>4,745</b>	<b>(195)</b>

The breakdown of stall and sideshow takings is as follows:

	2013 £	2012 £	Variance Better/ (Worse) £
<b>STALLS</b>			
<b>Fete stalls</b>			
Books	104	102	2
Bric-a-brac (i)	207	277	(70)
Bric-a-brac (ii)	0	102	(102)
Cakes	212	214	(2)
Mum's Pantry	293	253	40
Plants	283	162	121
Produce tent	0	41	(41)
Silent auction	664	644	20
Vintage clothes	204	273	(69)
<b>Commission stalls</b>			
(e.g. ice creams, gifts, cards)	271	124	147
	2,238	2,192	46

	2013 £	2012 £	Variance Better/ (Worse) £
<b>SIDESHOWS</b>			
<b>Fete sideshows</b>			
Bagatelle	14	22	(8)
Bowling	51	46	5
Captain Blackbeard	0	35	(35)
Coconut shy	220	226	(6)
Darts	60	31	29
Duck game	42	30	12
Face Painting	70	64	6
Golf/Putting	169	121	48
Guess the weight (Cake)	0	0	0
Hobby Horse Racing	23	14	9
Hole in the Church Roof	57	47	10
Hoopla	116	48	68
Key Game	102	102	0
Nail in the Sleeper	32	45	(13)
Pick-a-Straw	26	40	(14)
Play Your Cards Right	0	17	(17)
Red Alert	53	65	(12)
Ring the Bottle	29	51	(22)
Roll for a Pig	43	43	0
Skittles	46	37	9
Splat the Rat	30	17	13
Spotted Dog	85	51	34
Stilts	0	0	0
Tombola	433	502	(69)
Treasure Island	13	0	13
<b>Commission sideshows</b>			
(e.g. bouncy castle, pony rides)	68	139	(71)
	<u>1,782</u>	<u>1,793</u>	<u>(11)</u>

The surplus for 2013 at £4,550 is £195 less than 2012 (£4,745).

These funds will be distributed as follows: £3,640 All Saints Church; £455 fête reserve (to be used for new and replacement items for future fêtes) and £455 local charity (to be decided).

The members of the Fête Committee thank everyone who helped to make the 2013 fête an enjoyable and successful day.

Anne Fairbrother  
Treasurer



We were short of helpers this year, so the Fête Committee we would like to ask if you could all have a think over the coming year about what you could do to support "our" Fete next year. For example, would you be able to spare a couple of hours to give a hand, bake a cake or donate a prize?

If you would like to be involved next year please contact Sue Jenkins on 01255 850317 or Nickie Stack on 01255 677984.



## *Home Made Hours*

Our friendly Home Made Hours help to raise funds for All Saints' Church. **THANK YOU** to everyone who supports these events, particularly those who regularly donate home made/home grown produce for us to sell.

Are YOU able to provide any items for our Home Made Hours, please? We would be particularly grateful for donations of home made cakes, which are always popular. We also welcome home made preserves and any surplus fruit, vegetables or plants from the garden. **If you want to find out more about our Home Made Hours, please contact Nickie Stack on 677984.**

### **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, Jamie Wright, 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 Saint's 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 microware, 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 September Home Made Hour and for the donations of home made goods and produce. As usual, there will be NO Home Made Hour in October.

Our next Home Made Hour will take place on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** from 10.00-11.00am in the Village Hall. Please come and join us for tea, coffee, friendly company, and the sale of home made cakes, jam, marmalade, trifles, savouries, scones etc, occasional plants/garden produce and hand crafted greetings cards. Refreshments are available and we also have a raffle.

### HOME COOKING

## Gingerbread men

Gingerbread Pre-school has now been open three weeks and all is going well. We have a fabulous group of children who are very lively and enjoy learning through play. One of their favourite activities is baking and we had great fun with these biscuits last week.

#### Ingredients

- 350g/12oz plain flour, plus extra for rolling out
- 1 tsp bicarbonate of soda
- 2 tsp ground ginger
- 1 tsp ground cinnamon
- 125g/4½oz butter
- 175g/6oz light soft brown sugar
- 1 free-range egg
- 4 tbsp golden syrup

#### To decorate

- writing icing



#### Method

Sift together the flour, bicarbonate of soda, ginger and cinnamon and pour into the bowl of a food processor. Add the butter and blend until the mix looks like breadcrumbs. Stir in the sugar.

Lightly beat the egg and golden syrup together, add to the food processor and pulse until the mixture clumps together. Tip the dough out, knead briefly until smooth, wrap in clingfilm and leave to chill in the fridge for 15 minutes.

Preheat the oven to 180C/350F/Gas 4. Line two baking trays with greaseproof paper.

Roll the dough out to a 0.5cm/¼in thickness on a lightly floured surface. Using cutters, cut out the gingerbread men shapes and place on the baking tray, leaving a gap between them.

Bake for 12-15 minutes, or until lightly golden-brown. Leave on the tray for 10 minutes and then move to a wire rack to finish cooling. When cooled decorate with the icing. **ENJOY!**



If you would like to see what other fun we get up to visit either our Facebook page or read our blog on the web site. [[gingerbreadpreschool.co.uk](http://gingerbreadpreschool.co.uk)]

Karen Withams



## Why do we rejoice at Harvest time?

Many of us are not directly linked with harvesting. The closest we come to the harvest is the fields we look at, the smell in the air, and any friends that we have that are farmers.

We like the fact that we can go to our supermarkets, or local grocers, or local butchers, and get all that we need, without having to get dirty for it. I for one am very grateful. I have tried my hand on working on the field, and didn't like it one bit. Being out on all weather conditions, getting blisters in your hands....

Harvests have been celebrated from the ancient times. I can imagine, people overwhelmed by the goodness of the earth, by the provision of God, couldn't help it but give thanks! They were happy, they were grateful, they knew that they could face the winter, so they celebrated!

There are many passages in the Bible of people being thankful, of people rejoicing because of what God had done. But we also read in the Bible that in face of difficulties, the same people that had praised God for his provision and protection, started to blame God. It seems it is the human thing to do. Where more clearly to see this then in the book of Exodus?

We humans tend to forget the beauty and the greatness of God, either because we take it for granted, or because life gets hard.

Recently, I watched the 'About time' film in the cinema. The film was about a man and his father who could travel back in time. The man chose to travel back in time for love, and love only. He found a woman that he loved, and he created a family. And when his father died, he said to his son: Live your daily normally, with all its ups and downs, with all its routine, and frustrations, and then when you come to the end of the day, travel back to the beginning, and live it again, but now, take time to find some beauty amongst it all and be grateful. And the boy did just that to start with and then he said: I don't live one day twice now. I decide to notice the beautiful things in the ordinary the first time round.

I wonder if this is a message for us. To try to live our ordinary lives, noticing the extraordinary? To learn to do something good, not because we have to, but because we want to, expecting no reward?

Learning to see each season of the year as a harvest season, a season of being thankful and of celebrating the goodness of God?

Because the most beautiful thing for us to know is that God is with us, and considers us so important that he chose to come amongst us in Jesus, to live, die and be raised again, so that we can have life with him, and life in the fullest. Let us do just that! Live our life in the fullest, as we enjoy all that God has given us. Amen!

Rev. Eva Walker

We are continuing our events that are offered to the village and we want to invite you all to the following:

**Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup>**      October Harvest Festival - see poster attached  
**Friday November 8<sup>th</sup>**      Ploughman's with a Quiz, 7.00pm. Price £4.00  
**Friday December 6<sup>th</sup>**      (to be confirmed) Music Makers. Free entry, donations welcome

We hope to see you at some of our events.

For more information contact **Anne Lott** on **675065**.

Great Holland Methodist Church

# Harvest Thanksgiving

Family Service

11am Sun 13<sup>th</sup> Oct



# Harvest Display

Open for viewing:

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> 10am – 4pm

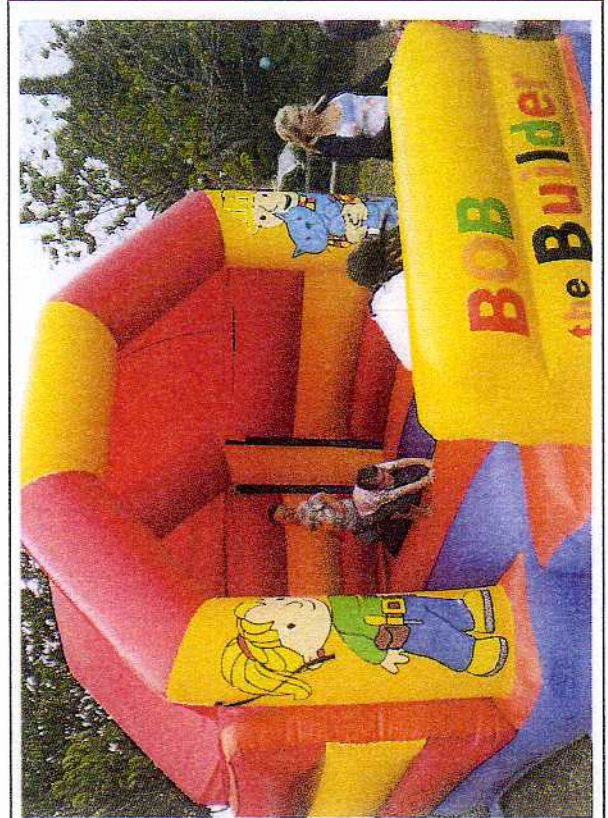
Sun 13<sup>th</sup> 2pm – 4pm

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> - Sat 19<sup>th</sup>

10am - 12noon



Pop-in,  
enjoy &  
have a 'cuppa'.



**GREAT HOLLAND METHODIST CHURCH FUN DAY 2013**



## LOCAL NEWS



### VILLAGE STORES

Most residents will have noticed the hive of activity at the Village Stores. At the present time the living accommodation is being refurbished to create a separate two bed roomed flat to let out, separate from the shop.

Negotiations are underway with a prospective tenant for the shop and, hopefully, by the time the Village Voice is circulated a long-term lease will have been signed. At that point the necessary repairs to the shop area will be carried out. Everyone is hopeful of a positive outcome.

*(Information provided by Roger Frere, Frinton Farm Partners)*

### VILLAGE CHRISTMAS TREE

A possible site for the tree within the village has been established. Our local Councillor Chris Keston hopes to be in a position to confirm that a grant has been made available by Frinton and Walton Town Council in due course.

### JUBILEE BENCHES

The two new benches have now finally been installed outside All Saints' in Church Lane.



## THURSDAY COFFEE MORNINGS...

Just another reminder that we hold weekly coffee mornings every Thursday in Great Holland Methodist Church Hall, from 10.30am - 12.00 midday. All are welcome. Please drop in for coffee, biscuits, toasted teacakes and the chance to make new friends. We also have donated goods for sale.



### FOR SALE

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## **48,000 SOLAR PANELS TO BLIGHT THE HOLLAND BROOK VALLEY!**

### **Planning application 13/00775/FUL**

This proposal was mentioned previously in the magazine when, in November of last year, the applicant, Push Energy, presented a public display of their intentions, in the village hall. It is now a live application(\*) lodged with the planning department of Tendring District Council for consideration.

In a nutshell, the applicant, in conjunction with a local farmer, wants to cover 26 hectares (64 acres) of arable fields, which have hitherto been used to grow cereals and other crops, with 48,000 photo voltaic panels to produce "green" energy. The site is sloping and incapable of screening from public view. This is a bad choice and this particular site is being pursued simply because it is adjacent to the Cooks Green substation which minimizes the grid connection costs and maximizes the financial rewards to the developer. It is the government subsidies, funded by the taxpayer and from the premiums levied on our energy bills, which provide those rewards, together with the cheap imported panels from China.

Frinton & Walton Town Council and Little Clacton Parish Council strongly oppose the application and to date there have been some 50 letters of opposition lodged with TDC plus a petition of around 120 signatories. Most object on the grounds that this site is totally inappropriate and there are better locations. Also the Energy Minister has stated that whilst solar energy should be encouraged that does not mean at any cost, the views of the local communities must be considered and our best and most versatile agricultural land protected.

This siting, on the valley side adjoining the Holland Haven SSSI, would despoil the valley of the Holland Brook and would be a visual disaster, besides setting a terrible precedent contrary to local planning policy which seeks to preserve and enhance the District's landscapes.

It is not too late to add your voice to the opposition and to let our planners and councilors know that we do not want renewable energy schemes sited inappropriately.

Go to the TDC website to see the detail of the application (ref 13/00775/FUL) and the responses so far. You can lodge your comments online or write to TDC Planning Services in Weeley. If you would like more information on the scheme or guidance and help in submitting an objection you can call 814790 or 815014 to talk to one of us.

*The Great Holland Residents' Association Committee  
20<sup>th</sup> September 2013*

*\*Since writing this article we have been made aware that the applicant's agent is withdrawing the application from determination. It is anticipated that a fresh application will follow shortly.*



# Great Holland Pits Nature Reserve:

## Summer; A time to marvel



The weather this year started in an unpromising way. The lengthy spring was cold, and for me, work was more demanding than usual. I had less time to prepare the garden, and less time to look around. Now semi-retirement is in sight, and the warm summer and easing of work pressure has delivered me more time to enjoy the natural world.

Many of the insects that I like to observe started their season scarce, unsurprisingly as the cold east winds relentlessly chilled the air. The early brooded Common Blue, Green Hairstreak, Small Copper and Brown Argus butterflies were scarce, the last two not seen in their first brood.

However spring eventually broke, heralded by a lot of bumblebees. A new species has colonised the UK recently, the Tree Bumblebee, and for a while I was seeing them widely in towns and at the pits. Unlike most bumble bees they nest in holes in trees. Look out for them next spring taking over nest boxes. They are easily identified as they have a clear three tone colour scheme. Ginger, Black and White from front to back.

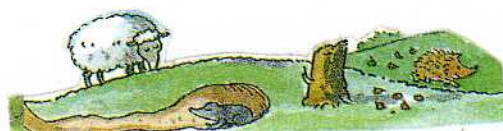
I started to note rather more caterpillars of the Small Tortoiseshell butterfly. Eggs are laid near the top of suitable nettles. The tiny hatchlings first make a web around the tip of the nettle which can be seen once the observer is familiar with them. The caterpillars start quite black as they grow, and are easier to spot as they start to denude the nettles of the top leaves. Unlike the similar Peacock butterfly they develop a light cream stripe, and eventually disperse and find some sturdy shrub to pupate on. 2013 has proved to be the best year for them for years. They went on to have a second brood and they will be joining their cousins the Peacock butterflies finding Ivy, hollow trees or sheds to spend the winter in.

Two immigrant species from Europe have also done well, the Painted Lady, a species from the Atlas Mountains of Morocco, which breeds on thistles, and the wonderful golden Clouded Yellow, a species from the Mediterranean, which lays eggs on clovers. I hope as I write that there may yet be a hatching of these in October as I have observed mating behaviour in several places, though their success is likely to depend on clement weather.

Hot years tend to make species get restless and 'leave home', they fly off to new sites. There have been reports of two rare butterflies this year doing this, the Silver Washed Fritillary, and the White Admiral, one of which was reported at Holland Pits. I hope that it and perhaps one or two others will have laid eggs on some of the honeysuckle at the pits. One insect the Long Winged Cone-head, a bush cricket, displayed this wander urge at the pits. The warm conditions caused some of them to develop longer wings than usual, possibly influenced by the extra numbers hatching. I observed some with a colour change from the usual green to a straw colour, readily flying.

The summer will give way to autumn with the arrival of a different set of birds and the season of work at the pits.

**Bob Seago - Warden**



# Friends and Neighbours of Great Holland

Our next meetings will be on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October & Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November** at 2 Great Holland Court (opposite the Village Hall), at 2.00pm

Everyone is welcome for tea, a chat and to plan activities for future meetings. You can bring your knitting or sewing if you wish, or just bring along something to get everyone chatting!

Phyllis Margetts **851118**



## GREAT HOLLAND VILLAGE HALL

There will be a meeting for Committee members on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October.

We are planning to hold another fund raising event for the village hall in February - a beetle drive with afternoon tea. Look out for more information in the next edition of Village Voice.

Sue Jenkins

## A bit of fun...







Can you solve these cryptic clues to reveal the names of resorts, both in the UK and abroad? The clues were taken from a quiz set for a local Social Club. Sorry, there are no prizes - it's just a bit of fun!

Answers are printed on the last page of this edition of Village Voice (just before the adverts section).

1. Drinking ale in front of the posh hotel? (8).....
2. Wise bedfellow (9).....
3. Milk containers (5).....
4. Long leases sorted to make an heavenly community (3, 7).....
5. The males of the species in front of the killer whale (7).....
6. You'll need this when you change the locks (7).....
7. Mother's entrance (7).....
8. Zealot ran confused to this island (9).....
9. Bring hot mixture to this resort (8).....
10. Painted by Andy Warhol (6).....

# WHAT'S ON IN YOUR VILLAGE HALL?



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

### Rates for hire of Village Hall

All users (regular and casual): £9 per hour. Please contact Coralie Harris on 830136 to book. (Email: [coralieh@live.co.uk](mailto:coralieh@live.co.uk))

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## FROM THE ARCHIVES .....

### Guy Fawkes on the Green

As this issue covers November what could be more apt than relating an incident that arose in October/November 1937.

It was stated in the paper of 16 October 1937 that the young people would have their bonfire as usual. When the bonfire material was cleared from the village green on the instructions of the surveyor of Frinton and Walton Council, in preparation for the planting of Coronation trees, much indignation was expressed by the children. Councillor Peachey of Great Holland, however, said that the bonfire would take place as usual but on some nearby site.



At the Frinton and Walton Council meeting the following week, the surveyor reported the circumstances surrounding the removal of rubbish from the green and the instructions that had been given to him. The Coronation Tree Planting Committee were suggesting to the Council that the hedges surrounding the green should be grubbed up and the green kept in a more tidy condition than in the past. It was recommended the hedges should be grubbed up and that in the future no fairs should be allowed on the green.

Referring to the green, Councillor J.W.Eagle, chairman of the committee, said it would be within the recollection of the Council that the removal of what was indeed to have been a bonfire had caused a certain amount of heart-burning in that ward. The surveyor had seen what he thought to be a heap of rubbish and had it removed, forgetting that the anniversary of Guy Fawkes and the gunpowder plot was coming along.

Since the meeting of the committee he had been to the site with Councillor Peachey and, having regard to a point he raised, he thought it would be better if the recommendation were referred back, particularly to the grubbing of the hedges.

The Council rectified their mistake and stated that the children's annual bonfire, about which considerable public feeling had been aroused, would go ahead on November 5<sup>th</sup> on the green as usual. They also sent along some further fuel as a substitute for what they had removed which much pleased the children.



Liz Bruce  
G. Holland History Recorder  
*(September 2013)*

## **We have two new advertisers ...**

**Carpet Cleaning  
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## **POLICE SURGERY DATES**

Come and meet your Local  
Police Community Support Officer  
at Parker's Nursery, Frinton Road, Kirby Cross

The next meetings will take place on  
Saturday, 5 October  
Saturday, 9 November  
10.00 – 11.00 am

### **NEWS .....**

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

- 1 x Criminal Damage
- 2 x Nuisance Neighbour
- 1 x Concern for Welfare
- 1 x Highway Disruption
- 1 x Nuisance Noise(Wedding Reception)
- 1 x Road Traffic Accident

Great Holland still remains reasonably crime free.

### ***Bogus Callers***

Most people who call at your home will be genuine but it's important to be on your guard and remember there are bogus callers about. These are people who turn up unannounced with the intention of tricking their way into your home to steal. Too many people have been fooled into letting callers through the front door only to discover their valuables have been stolen while they were distracted.

### **Identification**

Always be sure the caller is who they say they are before letting them in. All genuine callers will have identification and won't mind you asking to see it.

*“ Don't let anybody in your home that you don't want there. It's about common sense. If you don't like the look of them, don't let them in. ”*

Representatives from water, gas and electric companies are unlikely to call at your home without an appointment and police are likely to be present if there is a real emergency.

If you don't want callers in your home, tell them. If they fail to listen you should contact us.

## Advice

Most people who call at your home will have a genuine reason for doing so but by a few simple precautions you can protect yourself and your home. Follow our advice to stay safe:

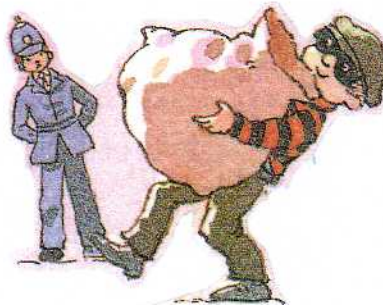
- Don't be frightened to ask for identification and always check it carefully. If you're not sure, ask them to come back another day.
- Think about installing a door chain and use it. Keep the door on the chain until you've seen identification.
- If you need your glasses to read the identification, close the door before going to find them. Don't leave the door open and unattended.
- Remember to lock the back door before opening the front.
- Don't be pressured into letting someone into your home if you have suspicions.
- Don't keep large amounts of cash in the house.
- Don't believe scare stories. Not all callers are genuine.

Hope you all had a great summer

Take Care .....

PCSO 70843 Paul Brassey  
PCSO 6477 Michele Diss  
Community Phone No. 07850 631017

[paul.brassey@essex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:paul.brassey@essex.pnn.police.uk)  
[michele.diss@essex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:michele.diss@essex.pnn.police.uk)





## COOKERY CORNER WITH THE FAT GOOSE

### Spiced Pear Chutney

#### Ingredients

750g pears, peeled and diced  
1 large onion, peeled and chopped small  
120g peeled weight bramley apples, grated  
80g root ginger, grated  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
1 teaspoon nutmeg  
500g tomato passata  
300ml cider vinegar  
30g caster sugar  
80g sultanas  
Juice and zest of two oranges

#### Method

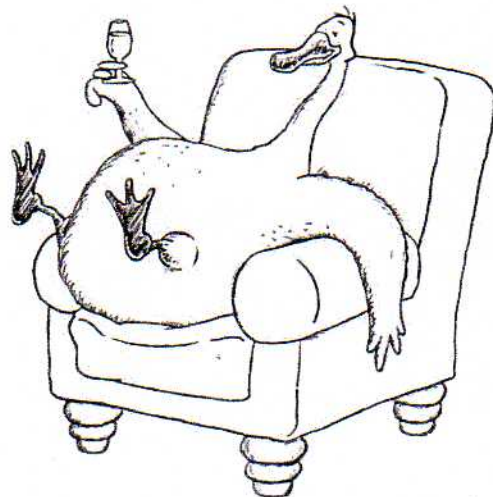
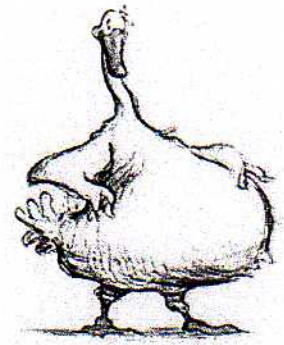
Put sugar, onion, zest, spices, vinegar, ginger, apple and pears into a preserving pan or large saucepan and simmer for about 30-40 minutes until soft. Then add the passata and sultanas and simmer for another 30 minutes. Pot into jars or store in the fridge for immediate use.

### Monthly Cookery Demonstrations with Lunch

These are usually held on the third Wednesday of the month and on 23 October the subject will be "Preparing Seasonal Autumn Produce". Coffee and homemade biscuits at 10.45 a.m., followed by an hour long demonstration with plenty of tips and the chance to ask questions. Then enjoy a two course lunch followed by coffee and homemade petit fours. £25 per person. Tel: 01255 870060 for bookings

### Christmas arrangements

Christmas lunches/dinners from £20, with six choices at each course. Bookings also being taken for Christmas Day, New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.



# Frinton

**literary** festival



Patrons: Andrew Motion,  
Barbara Erskine and  
Prof. Germaine Greer.



The Frinton Literary Festival Committee  
is delighted to announce the programme  
for our 12<sup>th</sup> Festival.  
We hope you will be able to join us.

**10<sup>th</sup>–13<sup>th</sup> October 2013**

## **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

### **Crime & Wine with Mark Billingham & Martyn Waites**

Two best-selling crime writers will be sharing their thoughts on the perfect murder along with a glass of wine! McGrigor Hall, 7.30pm. Tickets £10.

## **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October**

### **In Conversation with Baroness Gillian Shephard**

Talking about her recently published biography of Margaret Thatcher

### ***The Real Iron Lady: Working with Margaret Thatcher***

Frinton Golf Club, 8.00pm. Tickets £8.00

## **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

### **The Philomena Dwyer Literary Lunch with Prue Leith CBE**

Frinton Golf Club, 12.30pm. Tickets £27.50

## **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

### **Afternoon Tea with Natasha Solomons**

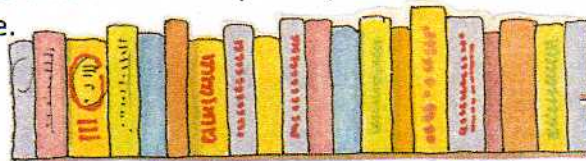
Natasha will be talking about her third delightful novel

***The Gallery of Vanished Husbands***. Previous novels include the  
best-selling ***Mr Rosenblum's List*** and ***The Novel in the Viola***.

Frinton Golf Club, 3pm. Tickets £12.50

## **Schools Programme**

We are once again delighted to confirm that we have booked well known children's writers to visit all the local primary schools and Tendring Technology College.



**For information & tickets, please contact:**

**Caxton Books & Gallery – 01255 851505**

**[www.frintonliteraryfestival.co.uk](http://www.frintonliteraryfestival.co.uk)**



## TFL LADIES MEETINGS

We welcome **everyone** to this group that usually meets on the first Monday of each month - 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.

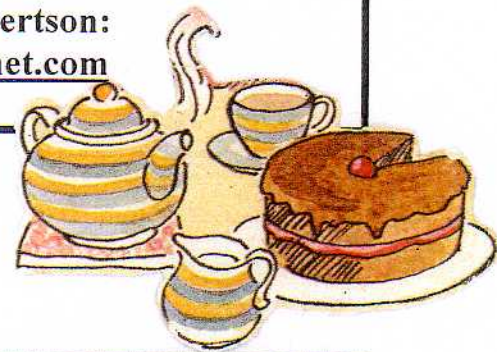
A payment of £2.00 is required at each meeting to cover the cost of the room hire. We have a speaker who talks for about 30 minutes and then tea and homemade cakes are served. There is also a raffle.

### OUR NEXT MEETINGS IN THE CHURCH HALL WILL BE:

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October:** Our speaker will be **John Wright** from Wrights Butchers.

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November:** **Robin Cooper** will speak about Frinton Ironmongers Blowers & Cooper 1903-1998.

For more details please contact Fiona Robertson:  
01255 679006 or e-mail [fiona348@btinternet.com](mailto:fiona348@btinternet.com)



## Frinton & Walton Postcard Club



Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October

### Postcard Fair

McGrigor Hall, Frinton

7.30pm

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November

### The Letter E for Essex

Bring 6 postcards to talk about

St Cedd's Hall

7.30pm

Please telephone Margaret Wilsher on 674134 for more details of these events

### QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Biarritz 2. Morecambe 3. Cowes 4. Los Angeles 5. Menorca 6. Newquay 7. Margate 8. Lanzarote  
9. Brighton 10. Cannes