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STAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

The latest meeting of the parish council took place on 31 March 2022 in the village hall. We were pleased to welcome Braintree District Councillor Richard van Dulken and a representative of the Wethersfield Airfield Scrutiny Committee (WASC).

Pavilion

The pavilion is now looking extremely smart. A new floor has been installed and the main hall has been repainted. To book the pavilion please contact me (details below).

Playing Field

The play equipment has had its annual safety inspection. Please note that dogs are not permitted on the playing field.

Highways and Footpaths

We continue to monitor the paths and highways. Any issues can be reported direct to Essex County Council on www.essex.gov.uk/highways and follow the links or send details to the parish council (photos are always very helpful) to report in.

Wethersfield Airfield

You may be aware of the proposal to build a large prison on the airfield at Wethersfield. A presentation was made at this meeting by a representative of the Wethersfield Airfield Scrutiny Committee (WASC). If you have any views on this proposal please send them to me (email address below). We would like to know your views.

The next meeting will be the AGM and Parish Assembly to take place on Thursday 19 May 2022 at 7.30pm in the village hall.

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PAVILLION

If you would like to see the pavilion there is an open afternoon on Saturday 16th April between 1pm and 3 pm with tea, coffee and cakes available and a raffle to raise money for the Essex Air Ambulance. Please come along!

STAMBOURNE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

CHAPEL NEWS

First we would like to say a big thank you to all in Stambourne who contributed to the Ukraine appeal. We have taken four car loads of toiletries and hygiene items to UK-Aid Felsted who have already delivered three lorry loads to Moldova where they have been distributed among refugees and those still in Ukraine. All the clothes and blankets, sleeping bags and coats gloves etc, as well as the soap and any food stuff (that is dried or canned food that doesn't need a tin opener) is being sent to Barnabas Fund and the Food. Give organisation that sends these items directly to Ukraine or to churches in Romania where they can send loads across into Ukraine regularly. All these items will be collected from Stambourne in the week beginning 19th April and then again probably in July. If you would like to donate come to the Chapel on one of the days we are open - see below. We know that all these items plus the funds collected (£545 at end of March) will be of great help to the people who are suffering so much in this war.

And at Easter we remember our Lord who suffered, not because He had done anything wrong, but because the leaders of the country He lived in didn't agree with what He was saying. If this teaches us anything it says that we need to be tolerant of each other's views, that we need to show love toward each other even when we don't agree. War isn't the answer any more than argument and disagreement is not the answer to local issues. Open minded discussion is always helpful. But Jesus's death had much wider implications for it was for all people who had lived, were living, and would live in the future that He died that we might all be forgiven. It was because we don't measure up to the standards of a loving God, however good we think we are. And so as we approach Easter, with all its Spring trappings of chocolate, bunnies and eggs, we can remember that Easter was initiated at the Jewish festival of Passover and represents the freedom of new life that only Jesus can bring. We pray for the people of Ukraine, that they can settle into a new life, now the old has been taken from them. We pray that we can continue to support them and help them in whatever small ways we can. And we pray for all who have been injured, lost loved ones, or are suffering from the trauma of the last few weeks. May God bless them. Adrian

SERVICES

Services are on Sundays at 10:45am.

We have our Good Friday Service at 6:30pm which will include Communion using elements of Passover.

WHAT'S ON

Tuesday and Thursday: Open Church for Coffee and Chat – 10 am until midday Wednesday: Club for those with disabilities - 10am until 2:30 pm 30th April - Sponsored Cycle Ride/Walk/Run at Notley Park

28th May - Annual Plant Swap and Sale

STAMBOURNE CHAPEL CARE

This charitable organisation continues to be in demand for the services we provide which include support for people who are going through life changing circumstances. We have six volunteers serving around 40 people and continue to be challenged by the need to fund the project. We have been nominated to receive an award from the Congregational Insurance and from Provide. We have also been selected as one of the three charities to receive a **Tesco Community Grant.** So if you are shopping in **Haverhill Tesco** please remember to collect your blue token and place in our section.

The **Wednesday club** gives respite to carers by giving space for those being cared for to come and work at the Chapel for a few hours and we have spent time planting a wild flower area in the church yard, packing and sorting boxes for the Ukraine appeal, and making the posies for Mother's Day. We have also visited the Museum of Power near Maldon - a highly recommended place to visit!

We are always looking for volunteers and have a range of roles so if you would like to volunteer please get in touch and I'm sure we can find something for you.

CONTACTS

Adrian Burr, Minister 07983 656166 Jill Holmes, Secretary 07883 423528

SILVER LINK CLUB



Next meeting 26^{th} May 2 pm - 4 pm at the Chapel; then every two weeks. For more information contact Vanessa on 01440 785122 or Lois on 01440 578720.

ST. PETER & ST. THOMAS PARISH CHURCH

We welcomed Finlay Onslow and his family & friends to our Church on 3rd April for his Baptism. It was so nice to see so many supporting him on this special occasion.

As most of you are aware Stambourne will be celebrating the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee** on the first day of the four days of celebrations, which is Thursday 2nd June. The Church would like to participate in the Celebrations by holding a display of flower arrangements that are arranged by Stambourne residents and either brought along to the Church on Wednesday 1st June or can be arranged inside the Church on the same day. Please use your own containers/vase. Any type of flowers and/or greenery would be great to see in any shape or size. For the under 12's, as well as entering an arrangement or display as above, there will also be a painting/drawing competition relating to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. There will be a prize for the best arrangement/display for adults and under 12's. And a further prize for the best under 12's painting/drawing. The results will be announced at 6pm on the 2nd June & will be judged on "interpretation" of the Platinum Jubilee.

PLEASE DO HAVE A GO !!!!

SERVICES AT STAMBOURNE FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS:

Date	Time	Service	
1 st May	9:30 am	Morning Prayer	Dave Brown
8 th May	9:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev. Liz and Rev. Caroline
2 nd June	3:00 pm	QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION DAY	
5 th June	9:30 am	Morning Prayer	Dave Brown
12 th June	9:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev. Liz and Rev. Caroline
3 rd July	9:30 am	Morning Prayer	Dave Brown
10 th July	9:30 am	Holy Communion	Rev. Caroline

Val Kerrison, Churchwarden

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RECTOR'S RAMBLING

Eggs, eggs! What an enormous number of chocolate eggs must have been sold, bought and eaten during the Easter season. The shops have been full off them since Christmas! There are chocolate bunnies and chickens available but above all it is chocolate eggs of every size and appearance that we associate with Easter.

But why do we have Easter eggs? What are Christians celebrating at Easter? We celebrate the wonderful resurrection of Jesus. He died on the cross on the first Good Friday and was buried in a cave in a nearby garden with a large boulder rolled across the entrance. The following Sunday, Easter Sunday, the boulder was found rolled away and the cave was empty because Jesus was no longer dead. Filled with new and endless life, he had burst out of the cave with a fullness of life that is his forever.

For many centuries, the chicken bursting out of its shell, a new life making a sudden appearance, has been seen as a good symbol of Christ who burst from the cave on Easter Day. The giving of eggs has seemed to be a good way of remembering what Easter is about. We discover our own new life in Jesus, which he shares with his disciples in every age. A time of joy and celebration. Alleluia. He is risen!

A joyful and happy Easter to you all, Rev Liz

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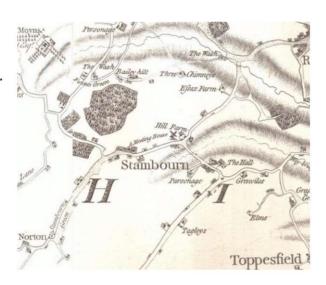
Ideas and contributions for the next newsletter to Karen Crago at kcrago@btinternet.com or the post box at Tagley Farm by Friday 27th May. In the meantime you can find up to date local news on www.stambourne.com and on Facebook.

HISTORY OF STAMBOURNE

The story of Stambourne, from Saxon times to 1995, was researched by Dr John Enticknap and his three sons, who lived in Wesley End for many years. Much of this is on the website.

This is now being updated and edited, and will be available in book form later this year.

If anyone has any information about important events in the village during the period 1995 to the present, or historical information which is not on the website, particularly photographs and descriptions of historic buildings, please contact David Waller on 01440 785484, or by e-mail at davidwaller222@yahoo.com. Thank you.

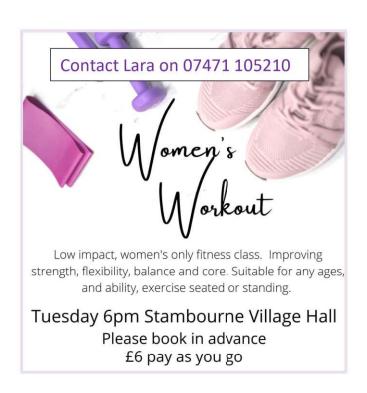


VILLAGE HALL

Hiring Fees, including heating and electricity

Residents: £8.00 per hour Non-residents: £10 per hour

To book contact Rosemary Horton on 01440 785339





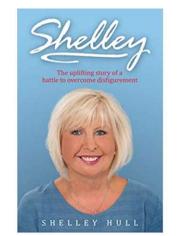


SAVE THESE DATES!

20th April -7:00 for 7.30 at the Village

Hall.

Meet Shelley Hull with an uplifting story about facial disfigurement. Bring friends (nominal charge for non-members). Refreshments available.



13th July − 6:00 for 6.30 at The Pavilion.

Fish and chip supper, guests welcome.



Bring your own drinks.

11th May – 7:00 for 7.30 at the Village Hall

Learn how to create a floral work of art to take home!

Buffet provided courtesy of SLG.



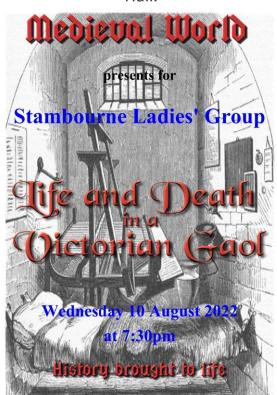
8th June - 7:00 for 7:30 at the Village Hall



Art with Kirsten.

Buffet provided courtesy of SLG.

10th August - 7:00 for 7:30 at the Village Hall.



Experience life and death in a Victoria Gaol. Open to all, £3 non-members. Buffet provided courtesy of SLG.



Contact: Vicky 07908 099904 or Lorna 07980 922636 For more information or check out <u>www.stambourne.com</u> or Facebook





SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE



In addition to local village initiatives a <u>Facebook page</u> telling people across Essex how they can support the people of Ukraine has been set up after the County Council was inundated with offers of help from residents and businesses. The page, <u>'Essex is United for Ukraine'</u>, provides details for the

organisations across Essex who are supporting humanitarian efforts through donations and fund-raising, linking them up with residents who want to help.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSURE

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1)

Temporary Traffic Regulation Order of Queen Street, Potter Street, Sible Hedingham CP

Please check the

following link https://one.network/?tm=127705393 to find details of the intended closure of Queen Street, Potter Street, due to commence on **15th May 2022 for 1 day**. The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce while Anglian Water undertakes new connection.





Does your daughter love to try new things? Get her in the great outdoors this summer to run, craft and skip her way through exciting activities with Brownies, for girls aged 7-10.

Or, for older girls, Guides have an exciting and varied programme designed to inspire and challenge girls aged 10-14.

Girlguiding is the leading charity for girls and young women in the UK, giving them a space where they can be themselves, have fun, build brilliant friendships, gain valuable life skills and make a positive difference to their lives and their communities.





Each week at meetings (term time only) the girls get to work on badges, learn and develop new skills, try different hobbies, play games and see friends. They also get to try adventurous activities and go along to special events, trips, camps and sleepovers.

For more information or to register your daughter, please contact:

Great Yeldham Brownies: Kaaren Berry on 01787 238217 Great Yeldham Guides: Corrie Rutter on 01787 237689

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration

Thursday 2 June 2022 From 3pm

Come and join everyone on the playing field for a fun family afternoon to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.





There will be tea and cakes, quiz, live music and a barbecue.

It will finish with the lighting of the beacon at 9pm.