



GREAT WARLEY

LYCHGATE

June - July 2015



EDITORIAL TEAM:

Liz Francis
Fiona Agassiz
Linda Beaney
Helen Burgess
Tel: 07825 017056

STOP PRESS

Next edition:

August/September
2015. Please send all
contributions by
25.07.15 to
GreatWarleyLychgate
@yahoo.co.uk

LYCHGATE BY EMAIL

101 of our readers
now receive their
Newsletter as a
pdf file via email.
If you have email
and would like your
Lychgate hot off
the press (with **all**
colour content)
please let us know
so we can reduce
our printing costs.
If you would like a
printed copy then
please also let us
know as we deliver
all round the vil-
lage.

**Come and join us and meet some
of your neighbours - all this is
going on in your village!**

June:

- 5 Friday 10-12am:** Sewing bee at the Rectory Hall. All welcome (Liz 07825 017056)
6 Saturday 10.30am: Litter picking meet at the Thatchers Arms
9 Tuesday 2-4pm: WI at Childerditch Village Hall (Jenny 220085)
17 Wednesday 1pm: Ladies lunch at Izumi (Pat 220206)
27 Saturday 2pm: All welcome to meet at the Rectory Hall for refurbishment work.
28 June 12-4.30pm: Vintage Open Garden at the Sharp's £2.50 entrance. 6 Boyle Court Cottages, Dark Lane, CM14 5LN.

July:

- 3 Friday 10-12am:** Sewing Bee at the Rectory Hall
4 Saturday 10.30am: Litter picking meet at the Thatchers Arms
5 Sunday 5pm: Summer Concert at St Mary's. Tickets £10/£5 contact Celia Hatt (hattcj@gmail.com).
14 Tuesday 2-4pm: WI at Childerditch Village Hall
18 Saturday 2pm: Rectory Hall refurbishment - help welcomed!
25 July 2.30-6pm: GWCS Village Barbecue at the cricket ground. Contact Lawrence and Janice Grundy 01277 200093 or lhgrundy@live.co.uk
25 July 7pm onwards: Charity Ball at Walleys field in aid of Sarcoma UK. Tickets £60. Email Andrew at **ajburgess88@gmail.com**

August:

- 8 Saturday 10.30am:** Litter picking meet at the Thatchers Arms

September:

- 3 Thursday, 4 Friday and 5 Saturday at 7.30pm, also Saturday at 2.30pm:** Ellen's Love by the New Venture Players at the cricket ground, Warley Street. Box office: 01708 754116.
4 Friday 10-12am: Sewing bee at the Rectory Hall.

VILLAGE NEWS

Conservation Society News

The Conservation Society's AGM on 14 May was well attended, and we were very pleased to welcome all of our three local Councillors, David Tee, Jill Hubbard and Paul Barrell, and also our County Councillor David Kendall.

Committee posts for the coming year, with their phone numbers, are as follows: Chairman Phil Smith (226077); Vice-Chairman Lawrence Grundy (200093); Secretary Linda Beaney (231265 or lbeaney@btinternet.com) and Treasurer and Membership Secretary Len Fryatt (220206). Members need to get in touch with Len now if they are not sure whether they have yet paid their annual subscription.

Various items were discussed, including problems with parking on the back lane of Headley Common, the fence to the south of the Forge development, the village traffic calming scheme, and the possible redevelopment of Boyles Court.

At the end of the meeting a surprise presentation was made to Fiona, who has stepped down from the role of Secretary to the Conservation Society after 18 years.

Litter-Picking Sessions

The dates arranged so far for picking up litter along the roads in the village this summer are **Saturdays 6 June, 4 July and 8 August**. We meet at the Thatchers at 10.30am, and clear the rubbish for about an hour and a half before meeting at the Thatchers for a well-deserved drink. Hi-vis jackets, gloves, black sacks and pick-up sticks are provided, and your full bags can be left at the roadside and collected by Phil. Please come and help – the more people we have, the quicker it gets done!

Annual Village barbecue

On Saturday, 25 July, 2.30 – 6.00pm, the Great Warley Conservation Society will again be holding a barbecue at the **Cricket Club** in Warley Road for all village residents and their families. This is becoming an annual event, and last year we had lovely weather and about 130 people attended. We hope that this event will be even more successful!

The cost will be £5 per adult, free for children. All food will be provided, but please bring your own drinks and glasses, also a picnic table and chairs or a picnic rug if you can. Please tell Lawrence and Janice Grundy (200093 or lhgrundy@live.co.uk) as soon as possible how many adults and how many children will be in your party. There will be a raffle and a card and wrapping paper stall, also activities and fun for the children. Other stalls will be most welcome – please phone or email Linda (231265 or lbeaney@btinternet.com) if you would like to run a stall or contribute a salad for the barbecue.

This is a great chance for everyone in the village to get together, so we look forward to seeing you there!

Warley Place

During the spring Warley Place was first white with snowdrops, then yellow with daffodils, then blue with bluebells and forget-me-nots, and now pink with campions, rhododendrons and foxgloves which are about to bloom all over the reserve. There is still plenty to see there, and the season is quieter now. No dogs please!

The Spring Open Weekends season raised £6371.00 for the Essex Wildlife Trust. Thank you to everyone who put donations in the box by the gate.

RECTORY HALL

Rectory Hall

Further to our initial meeting earlier in the year at the Rectory Hall to discuss it's renovation, we are delighted to tell you that things have moved on in the process. The electrical work which badly needed to be done has been completed and we are ready for the next stage of decorating both inside and out.

Regarding the painting of the inside, the first step will be to clean, rub down and prime all the wood which is currently unpainted, then to repair all the holes and gaps, taking down the curtain tracks to do this and moving the large crockery cupboard away from the corner. This will be followed by a main hall painting session - paint will be supplied. We propose that for this initial work we will meet at the Hall on **27 June from 10am** onwards, and anyone who is free is very welcome to come and see what is going on with a view to being given a job.

Regarding the outside, we will be painting the two accessible sides this year. Before painting the outside all the woodwork will need to be wire brushed down, and in a few areas, new boards fitted before repainting. If it is dry on 27 June, and we have enough support, we may start the preparation of the outside as well but there is a lot of work to be done and we will be completely reliant upon volunteers coming forward to help.

In addition there is rubbish to be cleared from the loft and of course we need materials to help with all this work which will include sandpaper, paint brushes, white spirit and old rags, in fact anything spare you may have lying around and which could be used in the decorating process.

The next group workday will be **18 July** and we will try to finish off any jobs left undone

previously. Hopefully, following that the new curtains can be installed, and the new carpet laid and we will have a much brighter hall which can start to be used by a lot more groups and for many more events. Further to this work we plan to add another toilet and address the kitchen but as you will be guessing there is a major amount of work to do first!

I hope that as many of you as possible will be able to don your decorating clothes and join us on one or both of these days so that together many hands can make light work!

Even if you don't feel you can help with the painting or rubbing down, it will be great to have some help with refreshments for the 'workers' and we would love to have your support. If you would like to pledge your help email Greatwarleylychgate@yahoo.co.uk and I will add you to the list of volunteers. We look forward to seeing you on 27 June and would like to thank everyone wholeheartedly for their support.

Rev Rob Binks & Liz Francis

Ursuline Preparatory School Brentwood, Essex



The Ursuline Preparatory School is an Independent Catholic day School for children from 3 to 11 years of age of all denominations and faiths. The School is located in a large Georgian house on the outskirts of Brentwood within easy reach of the M25 and other major roads. We offer our children a happy and caring environment and encourage excellence in all areas of school life. For further information and a detailed prospectus please contact:

Mrs. P. Wilson. (MSc) Headteacher.
Telephone No. 01277 227152

ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

Date	Time	Service
7 June	8.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion Morning Prayer
14 June	11.00am	Holy Communion
21 June	11.00am	Morning Prayer
28 June	11.00am	Holy Communion
5 July	11.00am	Morning Prayer
12 July	8.00 am 11:00am	Holy Communion Holy Communion - Sea Sunday
19 July	11.00am	Morning Prayer
26 July	11.00am	Holy Communion

8 AM Church Services

We have reduced our communion services at 8am to one a month. A Holy communion service using the Book Of Common Prayer is now organized for the 3rd Sunday of the month at 8am, and on the 4th Sunday of the month at Christ Church, to which everyone is most welcome.

**Summer concert 5th July 5 pm
at St Mary's**

We are delighted to welcome Bra-vissima for a concert with Pimms and strawberries with cream in the church garden(weather permitting) the concert is entitled "Ladies Only" and is led by Julia Wilson -James. The concert will include a humorous work "Mrs Beeton" based on life and etiquette of Middle England in Victorian times, and a set of contemporary works written by a choir member. Tickets £10 for adults, £5 under 16 from Celia Hatt (hattcj@gmail.com).

Sea Sunday 12th July

We shall be joined by the Royal Naval Association, to remember all seafarers, and give our support. Do join us if you have any connection with the sea, the navy, merchant navy, or just enjoy singing seafaring songs!

New Church Committee (PCC)

The Annual Parish Church Meeting was held on the 18th April. We said goodbye and heartfelt thanks to Eileen Fife, for her work over many years as secretary, and warmly welcomed in her place Ruth Crisp. Helen Burgess was confirmed as churchwarden for the next year, and David Hawthorne was welcomed to join her as churchwarden. Liz Stanford was thanked for all her hard work as treasurer, and miraculously agreed to continue in the post, for which we are all enormously thankful.

We welcome visitors to the church, to join us for worship at 1100 on Sundays, or to join us for coffee after the service at about 1200. The church is open for visitors every Thursday afternoon 2-3.30pm throughout the summer months, and will be open on August Bank Holiday Monday, and for Heritage weekend in September. Please get in touch with us about any church related issues. Our contact details are listed at the bottom of this sheet.

Clergy	Robert Binks	01277 220428	Rob.binks@me.com
Church wardens:	Helen Burgess	01277 227557	helen.burgess1@gmail.com
	David Hawthorne	01245 329284	david@hawthorne.myzen.co.uk
For visits and guided tours	Fiona Agassiz	01277 230436	fionaagassiz@hotmail.com

OUR SPONSORS

JOIN US FOR
Father's Day Lunch

Sunday 21st June 2015



£25 per adult
£12 per child
Children under
3 eat free

Bookings From
12.30pm – 3pm,
Please Contact
Reception For a Time.
Background music during the meal

For All Bookings Please Call
01277 226418

A £10 deposit per person to be taken on booking. Full payment to be made 4 weeks prior to the event. All tickets paid for in advance. All deposits and interim payments are non refundable. Special seating requirements can be pre-allocated if preferred, subject to availability. If you have any special dietary requirements please let us know when booking. Tables of 10 or more require a pre order.


De Rougemont Manor
Hotel & Suites

FREE
PINT FOR
DAD

MENU

To Start

Leek and Potato Soup
With parmesan croutons

Seafood Cocktail
Flaked fish with prawns and smoked salmon in a
Bloody Mary Sauce

Chicken Liver Parfait
With a toasted croute and red onion chutney

Main Course

Roasted Rib of Beef
With Yorkshire pudding and gravy

Pan Seared Chicken Supreme
With mini chipolata wrapped in bacon and gravy

Pan Roasted Cod Tail
With cockles in red wine jus

Sweet Onion and Wild Mushroom Tart
With butternut puree

ALL main courses accompanied by traditional
roast potatoes and Fresh seasonal vegetables

Dessert

Apple Berry and Oat Crumble
served with clotted cream

Traditional Eton Mess
Fresh strawberries whipped cream crushed
meringue and strawberry coulis

Chocolate and Hazelnut Cheesecake
Topped with crushed hazelnut and accompanied
with peanut brittle

SPONSORS AND EVENTS

THE NEW VENTURE PLAYERS
PRESENTING

ELLEN'S LOVE



AN ORIGINAL PLAY BASED ON THE LIFE OF MISS WILLMOTT OF WARLEY PLACE AND THE NOVEL "THE WALL" BY JOHN CANNELL

3RD, 4TH, 5TH SEPT 7:30PM &
2:30PM 5TH SEPT

IN THE OPEN AIR AT GREAT &
LITTLE WARLEY CRICKET FIELD,
WARLEY ROAD, CM13 3HX

TICKETS
£12:50 (£10 CONCESSIONS)
BOX OFFICE: 01708 754116 OR
KENBEANEY@WAITROSE.COM

NEW VENTURE PLAYERS 35



Haverling Arts Council
Registered Charity No: 245172

The Window Repair Company



Glass and glazing cut to size

Double glazing repairs to sealed units, handles, hinges etc.

Competitive double glazing prices

103 Brentwood Road, Romford

Call us Now! 01708 500304 / 07956 510943

HATCH ROOFING SERVICES



SLATING * TILING*
THREE LAYER HIGH *
PERFORMANCE FELT* UPVC
FASCIAS AND SOFFITS * GUTTERING *
LEADWORK TO
PERIOD BUILDINGS *
NEW OR REPAIR WORK

CALL BRIAN FOR FREE EXPERT
ADVICE & QUOTATION
NO JOB TOO SMALL

01277 824309: 07753 838836

The Thatcher's Arms Public House, Great Warley, 01277 233535.

Dating from the 15th century, offers a relaxed and friendly atmosphere serving home-cooked pub food and a fine selection of ales including a range locally sourced from Brentwood Brewery.



Breakfast Special available daily (Tea/Coffee/Toast & Jam) for just £2.95.

We also cater for Private Parties

25% discount per booking on Food Orders Only every TUESDAY night
from 6pm on presentation of this voucher.



DATE

CHURCH NEWS AND READERS LETTERS

Marriages

2nd May - Ian Bourne and Zoe Wilson

“Lord you have created us with love and for love. Help us to grow in love.”

Funerals

31st March - Joyce Smith

7th May - John Williams

“Lord God strengthen us with your love when we lose those that we love”

John Williams

We are sad to announce the death of John Henry Joseph Williams.

John and his wife lived at Foxburrows in Beredens Lane for about twenty years until 2005, when they moved further north in Essex to live with their daughter Elaine.

John's funeral was held on Thursday, 7 May at St Mary's, after which he was buried in the churchyard. Eric Pickles, a family friend, read a lesson at the funeral service. John is survived by his wife Eileen, their daughters Elaine and Denise, and Denise's daughter Olivia.

Readers Letters

Open Garden 28th June

We would like to invite you to the 2nd Vintage Open Garden in memory of our son Ben Sharp. The event is to raise funds for St. Francis Hospice who gave amazing support to Ben and ourselves through a very difficult time in our lives.

Last year's event was a lovely day shared with many people and friends. It was a chance to share time and enjoy the company of both old and new friends.

Hoping for good weather it will be on Sunday 28th June, 12.00 until 16.30 at 6 Boyles Court Cottages, Dark Lane, Great Warley,

CM14 5LN.

The entrance fee will be £2.50 to include a raffle ticket for donated prizes. An amazing choice of home made cakes will be on offer. We look forward to seeing as many of you as can make it then.

Carol, Alan and Tamsin Sharp

25th July Charity Ball

We are planning a charity ball on 25th July at Wallets field. Please bear with us if it is rather noisy, as we are trying to raise money for Sarcoma UK (Last year we raised more than £10,000 for SNAP). We would like to apologise in advance for any problems. The party will start around 7ish and go on until the early hours. Tickets are £60 and are all inclusive. Any donations are most welcome. Please contact Andrew Burgess (ajburgess88@gmail.com.) Thank you very much for your forbearance.

The Old Red Wall Club.

Help Needed!

You will have seen in the local events section, that in September the New Venture Players are performing 'Ellen's Love' at the cricket ground on 3, 4 and 5 September. There will be teas and coffees supplied during the interval but we need some help from volunteers to man the tea urns. If anyone could possibly help during one or more of the performances to make and serve the refreshments, please contact Linda Beaney by email at lbeaney@btinternet.com or on 07957258280.

Linda Beaney

Brentwood Community Print

Once again we would like to thank the staff at Brentwood Community Print who produce our newsletter in rapid time and to such a high quality. They can be contacted on 01277 849021 - speak to Tim or Tony. Their email is info@brentwoodcommunityprint.org.uk
The Keys, Eagle Way, Warley CM133BP

AND FINALLY...

Speed Limits

Waiting between Bishop Stortford and Harlow, to catch speeding drivers, a Police Officer sees a car puttering along at 11MPH.

Says he to himself: "This driver is just as dangerous as a speeder!" So he turns on his lights and pulls the driver over.

Approaching the car, he notices that there are five old ladies, two in the front seats and three in the back...wide eyed and white as ghosts.

The driver, obviously confused, says to him "Officer, I don't understand, I was doing exactly the speed limit!

What seems to be the problem?"

"Ma'am," the officer replies, "you weren't speeding, but you should know that driving slower than the speed limit can also be a danger to other drivers."

"Slower than the speed limit? No sir, I was doing the speed limit exactly...eleven miles an hour!"the old woman says a bit proudly.

The Police officer, trying to contain a chuckle explains to her that M11 is the road number, not the speed limit.

A bit embarrassed, the woman grins and thanks the officer for pointing out her error.

"But before I let you go, Ma'am, I have to ask...Is everyone in this car OK? These women seem awfully shaken, and they haven't made a sound this whole time," the officer asks.

"Oh, they'll be all right in a minute officer. We've just come off the A120."

A true story from the pages of the Manchester Evening Times:

Last Wednesday a passenger in a taxi heading for Salford station leaned over to ask the driver a question and gently tapped him on the shoulder to get his attention. The driver screamed, lost control of the cab, nearly hit a bus, drove up over the curb and stopped just inches from a large plate window. For a few moments everything was silent in the cab. Then, the shaking driver said "are you OK? I'm so sorry, but you scared the daylight out of me."

The badly shaken passenger apologised to the driver and said, "I didn't realize that a mere tap on the shoulder would startle someone so badly." The driver replied, "No, no, I'm the one who is sorry, it's entirely my fault. Today is my very first day driving a cab. I've been driving a hearse for 25 years."

Wanda's Parrot

Wanda's dishwasher quit working so she called in a repairman.

Since she had to go to work the next day, she told the repairman, 'I'll leave the key under the mat. Fix the dishwasher, leave the bill on the counter, and I'll mail you a cheque.'

Oh, by the way don't worry about my dog Spike. He won't bother you.

But, whatever you do, do NOT, under ANY circumstances, talk to my parrot!

'I MUST STRESS TO YOU: DO **NOT TALK TO MY PARROT!!!**

When the repairman arrived at Wanda's apartment the following day, he discovered the biggest, meanest looking dog he has ever seen. But, just as she had said, the dog just lay there on the carpet watching the repairman go about his work.

The parrot, however, drove him nuts the whole time with his incessant yelling, cursing and name calling.

Finally the repairman couldn't contain himself any longer and yelled, '**Shut up, you stupid, ugly bird!**

To which the parrot replied, 'Get him Spike!'

See - Men just don't listen!

Barbara James