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#### Richard's Big Quiz Night



A fun night was had by all at the Thatcher's Arms recently when resident Quizmaster Richard Osborne held his latest quiz in aid of Georgia 's Teenage Cancer Appeal.

The evening raised an amazing £312 for the charity which was set up at a time when teenager Georgia Cordery had been diagnosed with a very rare cancer called rhabdomyosarcoma. Georgia sadly passed away in 2010 aged just 14.

The charity aims to help to help improve the lives of children in Essex, who are suffering from cancer or other life threatening conditions.

Thanks as usual go to the lovely Sharon and Geoff Bowmer from the Thatchers who hosted the quiz evening. Thanks also to everyone who supported the cause. The winning team are pictured above.

If you missed the quiz don't worry. Richard will be hosting the next one, again at the Thatchers, on Thursday 18th May at 7.30pm costing £2.50 a head. It would be great if you could all come along and support him.

## VILLAGE NEWS

### Warley Place

Warley Place is featured in the Spring 2017 issue of 'Landscape', a national magazine which is available now in newsagents and supermarkets, priced at £4.50. There are eight pages of photos and a very good and accurately written description of Warley Place. It is well worth reading!

By the time you read this, the daffodils at Warley Place will be beginning to go over, but the Spring Bulb Spectacular Weekends will carry on until Easter, and include four days over the Easter weekend. There will still be plenty to see, including areas of white narcissi which are still in bud at the moment, also lots of rhododendrons, wild garlic, wild leeks, scillas, camellias and magnolias. The bluebells should be flowering in time for Easter.

If you would like to know more about Warley Place and its famous last owner, please feel free to join one of our guided walks, which will take place on Saturday mornings, 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> April at 10.30am. Just come along to the Warley Place car park. Entry is free, but we ask for donations to the work of the Essex Wildlife Trust. And, please, no dogs.

### Headley Common

The daffodils on Headley Common seem to have been better than ever this year. The Trustees are particularly grateful to Gary Harrington for all the work which he has done on the common, particularly in looking after the pond, and in clearing a huge area of brambles beside the boundary with the Spire hospital woodland. Having this area cleared means that the daffodils can spread back towards the boundary fence.

A pair of mandarin ducks have been seen on the pond on Headley Common and also on the south pond at Warley Place. This is in

addition to the usual mallards. The male mandarin duck is particularly striking – a lovely chestnut colour with a fan-like tail and a quill on the top of its head.



Picture shows the huge area which Gary Harrington cleared of brambles on Headley Common

### GWCS

We undertook our first litter pick of the year early in March. An earlier one that was scheduled for January had to be cancelled due to snow. Normally we don't do these until a bit later in the year and it was all the more surprising that we gathered up an entire skip full! Many thanks indeed to Geoff Bowmer for providing that facility. It was nice to see so many helpers and perhaps that added to the amount or maybe, because foliage and ground cover had not yet become established, we saw more. It would be terrific if everyone could pick up pieces as and when they appear outside or adjacent to their properties. Also not putting out rubbish sacks until just before the bin men are due can help avoid foxes or cats having fun with the contents which then spread everywhere. Do also be cautious about putting unshredded mail in sacks. It is something that identity fraudsters love and I found a residents council tax bill in a hedge and another litter picker found similar correspondence too. The next litter pick dates are 13th May and 8th July. Sadly I'm sure there will be masses more rubbish needing our attention.....

*Linda Beaney*

## JIM JARMY & LOCAL EVENTS

### Jim Jarmy

Jim Jarmy, who for many years was the Warden of Warley Place, celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on 20 February 2017.

Jim first visited Warley Place in 1968, when he worked in the Parks Department of Brentwood Council. Then in 1978, when he retired from full time work, he started to help with the Warley Place work party. He became Warden in 1992. Jim organised the jobs for the Monday work parties, and he did a huge amount of work there himself, particularly felling trees and using the machinery. In 2004 he was awarded the MBE by the Queen for everything that he had done at Warley Place.



Photo of Jim Jarmy at Warley Place on his birthday with the Monday working party

Jim came to Warley Place with his daughter on his birthday, and had coffee and cake with 16 of the regular Monday Work Party members. It was a beautiful warm sunny day, and the snowdrops were in full bloom, so he was able to have a good walk round the reserve.

He was particularly interested to see the new rose arbour which has recently been erected on the former main lawn, on the flint base where Ellen Willmott's rose arbour once stood. Seven very special climbing roses have now been planted around the arbour, and they should make a great showing in future years.

Many congratulations, Jim!

**Bra-vissima**  
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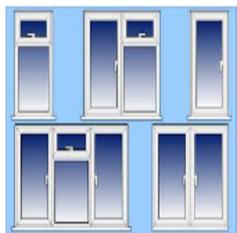
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**ST. MARY THE VIRGIN**

Date	Time	Service
2 April	11.00am	Morning Prayer
9 April	11.00am	Holy Communion Palm Sunday
14 April	12-3pm	Good Friday at Christ Church
16 April	11.00am	Easter Sunday Holy Communion
23 April	11.00am	Family Service
30 April	11.00am	Holy Communion
7 May	10.30am	Confirmation Service at Christ Church- No Service at Great Warley
14 May	11.00am	Holy Communion and Baptism
21 May	11.00am	Morning Prayer
28 May	11.00am	Family Service
4 June	11.00am	Pentecost Morning Prayer

**Palm Sunday and Easter Services**

Do come and join us for our Palm Sunday and Easter services which are at 11am. On 9th April we will be remembering Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem on a donkey, when he was welcomed with palms. All who come will be given a Palm cross.

On Easter Day we celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead, and the start of a new life and journey with him. Please join us for this uplifting service.

**New Family Service**

We are trying a new format when on the 4th Sunday at 11am we will have a service aimed at increasing participation of children and families. Do give us a try!

**Annual Parish Meeting**

Do come and join us on 2nd April at 12.15 at the Rectory Hall to reflect on the achievements and challenges of the last year. All welcome.

**Church Opening Times**

We welcome visitors on Thursday afternoons 2-4pm, Sundays 12-12.30. The Church will also be open on Bank Holiday Mondays 17th April, 1st May and 29th May.

Everyone is welcome to visit our very special Arts and Crafts/Art Nouveau church at these times, and at other times by prior arrangement with Helen or Fiona.

**Announcements**

**Funeral**

17th March - Robert Darby

*"Grant O Lord that the soul of Rob, be at rest in thy peace and protection and reign in thy Kingdom in heaven"*

**Baptism**

12th March - Olivia, daughter of Dan and Pippa Plummer

*"Father you are her light and we glorify you"*

<b>Clergy</b>	Robert Binks	01277 220428	Rob.binks@me.com
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<b>Church Address</b>	St Mary The Virgin	Great Warley Street	CM13 3JP

## BOYLES COURT/LEVERTON REPORT ON PLANNING AND WARLEY ROAD SPEEDING

At the recent meeting of Brentwood Council's planning committee, planning permission was granted for Marden Homes to build eight very substantial houses in the grounds of Boyles Court and also to convert the mansion into 13 apartments. Cllr Jill Hubbard's proposal was successful and the original name of Boyles Court will be re-instated and the title Leverton, as it was known whilst used as a detention centre, will be dropped.

The scheme will entail the demolition of a very large structure that Essex County Council built some 20/30 years ago. As it is a very large development and the demolition and construction will entail considerable large vehicle movements, the construction management programme will include restrictions. Dark Lane enjoys both Protected and Quiet Lane status. Thankfully vehicles will not be able to approach from the junction with Warley Road (although having been the Agent and Development Consultant on over 75 of London's largest new build sites, my money is on a few trying to!!) However that will create local traffic issues as the Mascalls Lane railway bridge weight restriction and the Council's request that access via King's Road be denied will create which interesting approach route?!

The Conservation Society argued that the consent should not be given at this time and until a traffic study (that we have been pressing for since last October) was forthcoming and any resultant recommendations for improvement included and incumbent on the developers to fund. As no specific reference to any recommendations for improvement post the traffic study was referred to by the Committee we doubt our pleas for restrictions and /or signage of some kind for vehicles entering Dark Lane from the South will prove fruitful.

The now consented scheme merely has "Turn Left" etched on the private drive when vehicles leave and a minor hump, which can be driven over! These measures have been included in the "hope" that vehicles will turn left and leave via Mascalls Lane. Hopefully more

hard landscaping could be provided as the Council officers work with the developers team in order to ensure the safety of Dark Lane users.

Cllr Hubbard, who sits on the Planning Committee expressed her concern and that of Cllr Kendall about increased road usage. She succeeded in obtaining retention of Delft tiles on the site and a frieze as well as ensuring that the use of the site by Plessey as a radar station during World War Two be acknowledged with a heritage plaque.

On another local issue, following a speed gun initiative some residents undertook on Warley Road two years ago, the County Council acknowledged that the excessive average speed of the 16,000 vehicles that use the road daily warranted measures to attempt to reduce speeding on the stretch of the highway where there are blindspots and hidden driveways. Consequently they agreed to the introduction of a Vehicle Activated Speed Sign which reminds drivers of the speed limit. We were subsequently told it could not be double sided as it may topple in high winds and the Council are wary of the increase in litigation cases in such instances! As the two posts that have now been installed are on the edge of the Conservation Area and unsightly we asked if they could be painted black so they are less obtrusive. The cost of that would be £2,000 – no wonder our Council tax is so high!!! Cllr Kendall proposed this to the relevant committee recently but the application for funding was denied with the suggestion that the Conservation Society should pay for it. Clearly the majority of Councillors have no thought for the appearance of Conservation Areas in their County and no pride in the considerable enhancement the nearby historic amenity that is Warley Place and which uses the adjacent car park for many of its annual Spring visitors. Who's available to hold the ladder whilst the posts are painted by "People Power" residents? Was that a "yes" Cllr Kendall?!

*Linda Beaney*

## DIARY DATES AND ROBERT DARBY RIP

### Dates for your Diary

#### April

**1 Saturday:** Guided walk around Warley Place 10.30am. Donation to EWT please. NO dogs

**2 Sunday:** Bra-Vissima evening concert at St Mary's Great Warley 7pm. £10 per person £5 under 16s. Tickets from Celia in advance on 07941 818164. Refreshments provided

**6 Thursday to 8 Saturday 8pm:** The Vicar of Dibley by the New Venture Players. Also Saturday matinée at 2.30pm. Tickets from Linda 01277 231265 or email lbeaney@btinternet.com

**7 Friday 10-1pm:** Sewing Bee at the Rectory Hall (Liz 07825 017056).

**8 Saturday:** Guided walk around Warley Place 10.30am. Donation to EWT please. NO dogs

**9 Thursday 6.30pm:** Lent course at Wallets

**11 Tuesday 2pm:** Great & Little Warley WI at Childerditch Village Hall

**15 Saturday:** Guided walk around Warley Place 10.30am. Donation to EWT please. NO dogs

**26 Wednesday 12.50pm:** Ladies Lunch at Izumi (Pat 220206)

#### May

**9 Tuesday:** Great & Little Warley WI at Childerditch Village Hall

**11 Thursday:** Conservation Society Spring meeting 8pm at The Rectory Hall

**13 Saturday:** Litter pick. Meet at the Thatchers Arms at 10am.

**18 Thursday:** Richard's Quiz night at the Thatcher's Arms 7.30pm. Cost £2.50 per person

**31 Wednesday 12.50pm:** Ladies Lunch at Izumi (Pat 220206)

### Robert Darby 1950 - 2017

Robert and his family Nicki, Lucia and Dan, have been living in Dark Lane for more than a year. Sadly Rob died in February.

Robert was born on 27th April 1950 to parents Danny and Eileen at St Barts Hospital. His father had been a police officer in the

Palestinian police and an important influence on his life. Robert had three other siblings, Loraine, Denise and Mark. Their family home was in Islington where they grew up and went to school.

The police was already in Rob's sights in his teenage years. He joined the cadets aged 16, and then trained as an officer at Hendon, and was stationed at Marylebone.

He was a dedicated officer for many years, before becoming a crime prevention officer. He was passionate about First Aid training, and after retirement he worked with Smith Kline training their staff.

Robert married Nicki in 1994, having met at a Policeman's Ball. They were well travelled particularly to Australia and to Canada, where they returned for many skiing trips with their young family.

Robert was a wonderful father to Lucia and Dan, he took great pride in his family, attending many events, where he was often the only father present. He was devastated, with all the family on the death of his younger brother Mark 10 years ago.

Since retiring in 1999 Rob had been a house-husband and brought up the children whilst Nicki worked. He enjoyed car boot sales with Lucia, and fencing with Dan.

Rob had great pride for in his Italian roots loving to cook and share Italian food with friends.

He would help with any problem, and would always have the tools for any DIY. He will especially be remembered for his kindness, always making sure that someone who needed thanking was rewarded for their kindness and service.

Our thoughts are with Nicki, Lucia and Dan, with his sisters Loraine and Denise, and sister in law Julie and all family and friends at this sad and difficult time.

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**Honey Roasted Goat's Cheese**, Confit Red Onion, Braised Fig, Lollo Rosso Salad  
**King Prawn Tower**, Brown Crab Meat, Cocktail Prawns, Avocado & Dressed Leaves  
**Chicken Liver Pate** Fig Relish, Melba Toast & Lollo Rosso Salad

### Main Course

**Roast Aberdeen Angus Beef**, Red Wine Jus & Yorkshire Pudding  
**Roast Rack of Lamb**, Braised Leeks & Red Current Jus  
**Half Spit Roast Chicken**, Sage & Apricot Stuffing & Pigs in Blankets  
**Sweet Potato Ratatouille**, Grilled Bocconcini & Sweet Pepper Jus

### Dessert

**Trio of Cheeses**, Stinking Bishop, Wensley Dale, Extra Mature Cheddar, Celery, Grapes & Red Onion Chutney  
**New York Cheese Cake**, Raspberry & Blueberry Compote & Raspberry Coulis  
**Lemon Posset**, Chantilly Cream, Short Bread & Strawberry Coulis  
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