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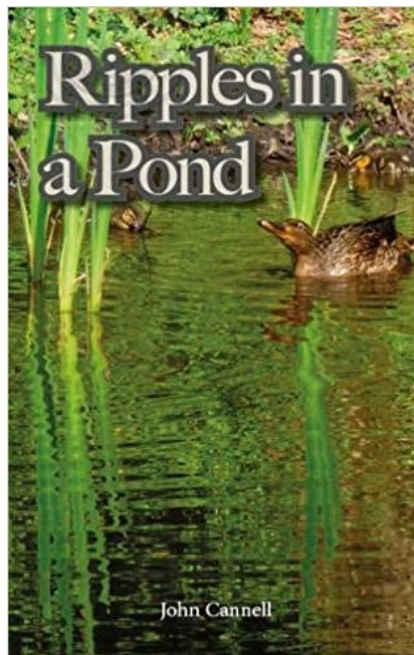
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New novel about Warley Place

Following the continuing success of John Cannell's first two books, 'The Wall' and 'The Walnut Tree', he has now published his third novel, 'Ripples in a Pond'. This new book completes the trilogy of novels about Warley Place, which are partly set in Ellen Willmott's time and partly in the present day. All of the historical details are as correct as possible.



'Ripples in a pond' is partly set in 1934, the year of Ellen Willmott's death, and partly in 2013. The modern chapters concern the activities of the Warley Place working parties during that time, as well as incorporating connections with John's previous two novels.

Copies of 'Ripples in a Pond', price £5, are available from Fiona on 230436 or on email: fionaagassiz@hotmail.com. We are sure you will enjoy it!

Lychgate newsletter distribution

If you receive your newsletter by email, would you like extra copies sent to other email addresses in your household? We can do this easily, at no cost.

We have had some reports that when the Lychgate arrives by email, the person receiving it does not pass it on to other family members. This has resulted in events being missed.

Please send any additional email addresses to:

greatwarleylychgate@yahoo.co.uk.

VILLAGE NEWS

Village Post Boxes

Our wonderful posties have suggested reminding folks to use the post boxes in the village if possible, as the Royal Mail are looking at rationalising the number of post boxes. Use it or lose it!

Great Warley Churchyard news

On 4 August the enormous poplar tree was removed from the bank between the church and the road by Brentwood Tree Care. The roots and suckers from this tree had been spreading all over the back lawns and the paths, and almost all the way round the church as well. They had been sucking up much of the moisture from the churchyard.

One of the fir trees near the newest graves area was also removed on 5 August.

The huge oak tree near the main door of the church is also giving cause for concern. An enormous fungus has grown at the base of the trunk. The Diocesan tree Officer has advised us to get a PICUS investigation for this tree, to see how much of the structure is left. This will be expensive, so if you would be willing to contribute towards the preservation of this wonderful tree, please contact our Church Warden Helen.

Only four examples of the rare little Autumn Ladies Tresses orchid were seen in the churchyard this September. The dry weather and the fact that the poplar roots were taking so much of the remaining moisture could have contributed to its poor showing.

The churchyard bonfire site is no longer in use, and it has been cleared and will be seeded with grass. This is because smoke was affecting the neighbouring property. Visitors to family graves are asked to take their dead flowers, etc. home with them.

Very many thanks to Jim and Liz Stanford who have taken over so much of the maintenance of the churchyard this year. They have been doing an excellent job. Thank you also to Peter James for clearing a tree which had fallen in the lay-by outside the church.

Warley Place

There has been a considerable amount of minor damage at Warley Place in the last few months. Fences and information posts have been knocked over, all of the windows in the hides have been broken, and some bird feeders have been destroyed. Illegal gatherings have taken place there, and much rubbish has been left.

Because of this abuse of our nature reserve, the Essex Wildlife Trust gave permission for the gates to be locked from 6pm each evening to 9am each morning. We apologise to all residents for any inconvenience which this has caused.

EWT now allows working parties of up to six people, so the damage is gradually being repaired. We hope that the construction of a new fence will allow some cows to return. Unfortunately they escaped earlier, because of the vandalism.

In normal times the Monday work parties have an average of 15 volunteers each week. Once this is again allowed, we hope to restore Warley Place to its usual enjoyable state.

Save our Church Porch

Sadly significant movement is very noticeable in the Church Porch. We have had quotes for this work, which will cost in excess of £20,000. The movement seems to be continuing, and has worsened over the last 12 months. We will of course be applying for funding help from Heritage Lottery Fund who have been very supportive in the past. Please help, if you would like to add to the donations we have already raised through a sponsored walk please use this link (www.gofundme.com/great-warley-church) or send a cheque to our treasurer Gemma Anderson

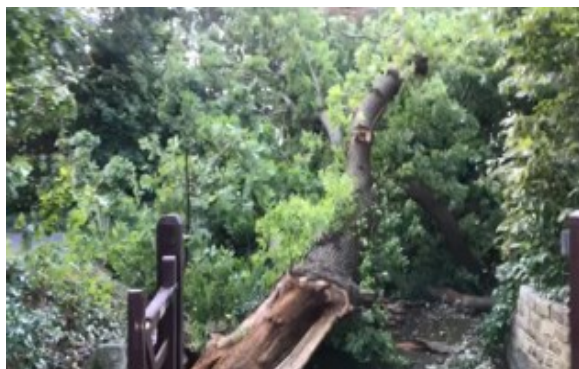
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Storm Damage in the Village

Sadly four trees have been blown down in August and September. The first was a silver Birch, just outside Blake House in Warley Road. Fortunately it fell away from the house, but did damage another tree in the garden. Next was saddest of all, one of the “broad oaks” at Broad Oaks, was partially demolished, the council removed the branches on the road, and then the footpath could be reopened when the rest of the tree was removed. Two further oaks were seen to have fallen from the hedge-row into the fields on the “Wright” farmland.



De Rougemont Cricket Ground

As a dog walker please be responsible if using the cricket ground or sadly the privilege will be removed which would be a shame.

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Brentwood Cricket Club

KEN NEWBY AND KONRAD JOY RIP

Ken Newby RIP

We were sorry to hear of the death of Ken Newby, who died peacefully at his home on 25 July at the age of 95. He and his wife Eileen had lived in Bird Lane since the houses there were built in 1950.

Kenneth Newby was born in London in 1925, and he and his family moved to Great Warley when he was young. He had two brothers and two sisters, and they lived in Codham Hall Lane while his father worked for the Goodchild family at Codham Hall Farm. For a short time Ken attended the school in Bird Lane.

After he left school Ken also worked for a time at Codham Hall Farm, and he then went to work for the Ellingworth family. He stayed with them for the rest of his working life, ploughing, driving tractors, digging ditches and much more. He was highly respected and much liked by all who knew him. He set high standards and was very skilful, and he also had a great sense of humour and fun.

Ken married Eileen in East Horndon church in 1948, and they lived with Eileen's parents until the Bird Lane house was built in 1950. They had two children, a daughter Linda who now lives in Tiptree, and a son Graham who now lives in Australia. Linda and Graham also attended the school in Bird Lane until it closed.

Ken's funeral took place at Bentley Crematorium on 12 August. We send our sympathy to his wife Eileen, his children Linda and Graham, his two grandsons, and his five great-grandchildren in Australia, who he was never able to meet.

Konrad Joy RIP

It was with shock and great sadness that we heard of the sudden death of Konrad on 3rd August.

Konrad was born in Manchester but spent some years as a child living in Australia before returning to England. As a young man he lived in Tokyo for a time and he and Emma married there. They then lived in Singapore before moving back to London and then Brentwood in 2001 after Harvey was born. When they moved to Great Warley they were now a family with two little boys, Harvey and Cameron and within a year or so the twins, Oscar and Matilda were born. With four young children Konrad's love of travelling and sense of adventure was something the family as a whole enjoyed.

After some years working in the City, 6 years ago Konrad turned his hand to property redevelopment and interior design and with Emma's help and encouragement had built up a successful and exciting new career. Seeing so many of his staff paying their respects showed that he was very much a well liked and well respected employer.

We didn't know Konrad well but do know that to Emma and the children he was a beloved husband and a great Dad. To us he was a kind, genial and thoughtful neighbour and will be much missed by all who knew him. Our thoughts are with Emma and the four delightful children - a lasting testimony to a gentle man and gentleman.



ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

Date	Time	Service
4 October	11.30am	Holy Communion
11 October	11.30am	Morning Prayer
18 October	11.30am	Harvest Thanksgiving
25 October	11.30am	Morning Prayer
1 November	11.30am	Holy Communion
8 November	10.45pm	Remembrance Sunday
15 November	11.30am	Morning Prayer
22 November	11.30am	Holy Communion
29 November	11.30am	Matins

We continue to have services on Sunday at 9.30am via Facebook.

Harvest Festival Celebrations

Do join us to celebrate Harvest on 18th October, and donate to Brentwood Foodbank. We can't quite tell how the service will be, but we will at least hear Harvest songs, and imagine singing. Please bring donations of non-perishable, in date food, which we will be taking to the Foodbank. We are hoping to decorate the church to celebrate! The service will be at 11.30am, and lasts about 40 minutes.

Annual Parish Meeting

Following the Harvest Celebration, we shall be having our parish meeting at 12.30pm which was postponed from the end of March 2020. We shall be electing the churchwardens - luckily Helen and Steve have agreed to continue. We shall also have available the parish accounts for 2019, the fabric report, tree report and vicars report relating to 2020. Do join us. All on the electoral roll, are most welcome!! Sadly this year we will be unable to offer refreshments.

Remembrance Sunday

We will be holding a village Act of Remembrance on the Green by the War Memorial on Sunday 8th November. We will start at 10.45 to observe the 2 minutes silence at 11.00. Due to Covid restrictions sadly the Warley Cadets cannot be with us this year. Clearly social distancing will be paramount and we hope the weather will be kind to us. A very warm welcome to all. (If anyone has access to a loud hailer, or loudspeaker system we could use for this event, please contact Helen).

Carol Service

We are trying to plan a Carol Service with Bra-vissima!! We have pencilled in 20th December at 4.30pm. In these challenging times all may change. This is likely to be an all ticket event, with strict social distancing. There will be more details in the next Lychgate.

Leaf Clearing in Great Warley Churchyard

Covid 19 will not stop the leaves from falling off the trees, so there will be leaf clearing work parties **on Saturday 7 and Saturday 28 November**, both from **10am onwards** at St Mary's churchyard. Please, please come and help us if you can, and bring gloves and a rake if possible. We have had some enjoyable mornings in the past, and there is plenty of room for social distancing! Enquiries to Fiona on 230436.

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	Helen Burgess	01277 227557	Helen.burgess1@gmail.com
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Five Acre Field

Activities continue to be observed by local residents on Five Acre Field which BBC monitor.

The emphasis of the Council is currently on the status of the Injunction together with the ongoing apparent breaches. They have confirmed to residents that matters are being dealt with in line with the required procedure.

The date for the Inquiry is still awaited as is the proposed Court Hearing for the earlier breach of the Stop Notice.

Hopefully, all this will come to fruition during the fourth quarter of this year notwithstanding delays caused by the Covid situation.

Printing of the Lychgate

We have been lucky enough to have Tony (formerly of Brentwood Community Print) to arrange the printing of our newsletters after the closure of BCP. We would like to thank Tony and recommend him for any of your printing needs.

Email: tonymerrittdesign@gmail.com

Diary Dates

October

18 Sunday 11.30am: Harvest Festival Service at St Mary's

18 Sunday 12.30pm: Annual Parish Meeting at the Rectory Hall

November

7 Saturday 10am: Leaf clearing at St Mary's - all welcome. Please bring gloves and a rake!

8 Sunday 10-45am: Remembrance Sunday gathering at the War Memorial

28 Saturday 10am: Leaf clearing at St Mary's

December

20 Sunday 4.30pm: Carol Service with Bravissima. More details to follow.

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