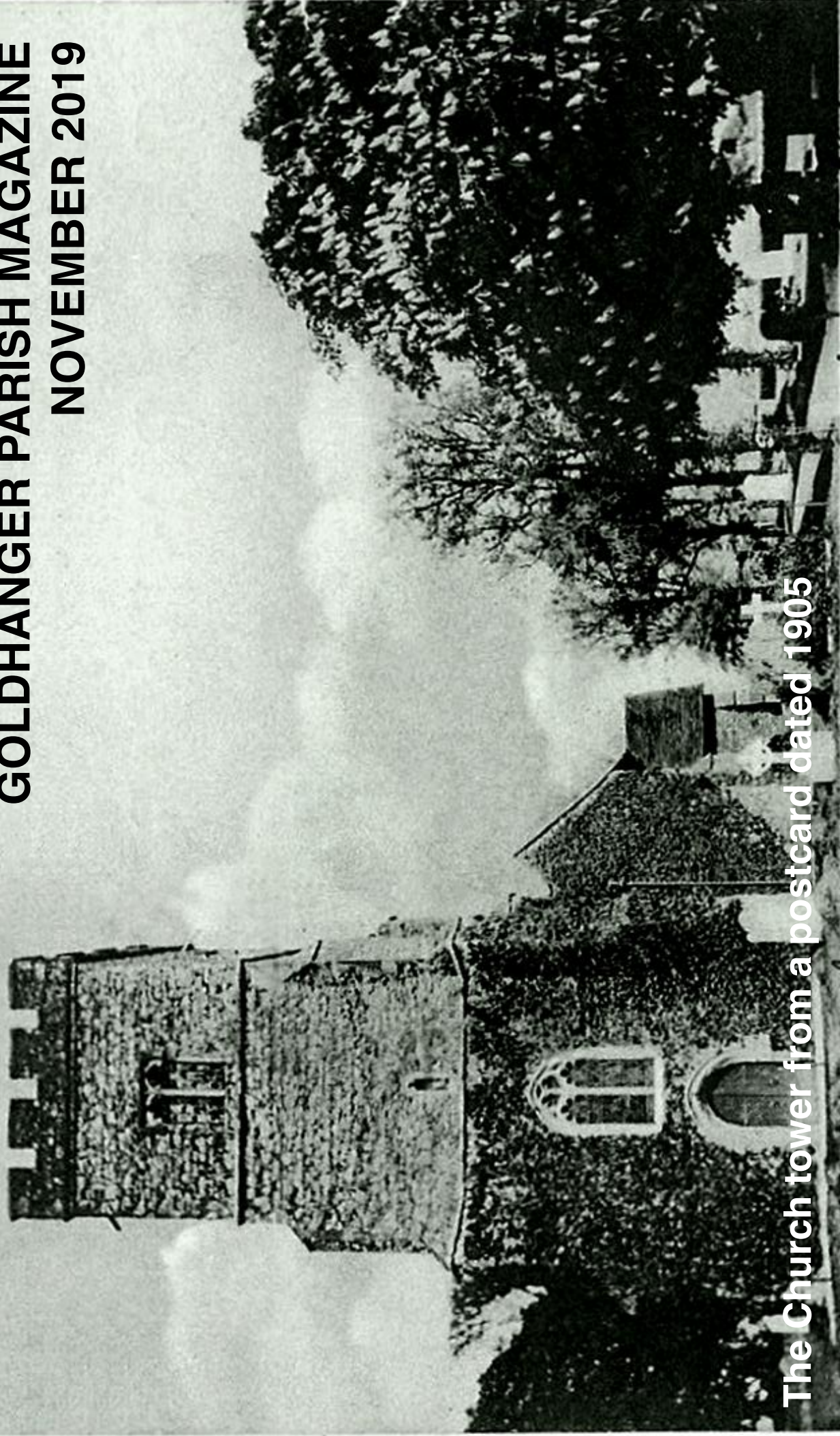


GOLDHANGER PARISH MAGAZINE

NOVEMBER 2019



The Church tower from a postcard dated 1905

Goldhanger. Mon cher Georges - Je suis venue ici en bicyclette
et je t'envoie une carte pour ta collection. Une vieille photo comme
celle de La Loupe. Bonjour à tout le monde - Ta tante V. Louise

124 Years of Goldhanger Parish Magazine

There has been a Parish Magazine since 1895 when the Revd. Frederick Gardner started it shortly after being appointed Rector at Goldhanger. In all those years there have only been a few breaks in publication, most notably during both World Wars.

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NB - All articles (ideally in PDF, image or plain text format) to be submitted by midnight on the 15th of the month and advertising (including For Sale and Wanted) by midnight on the 13th of the month please. Please contact the editors if you have any questions about your article.

For Sale or Wanted - To advertise items in the magazine the minimum donation is £1 per advert. If you would like to donate more it would always be welcome.

Web Advertising: If you would like your advert included on the Goldhanger website, please contact Morag. It's pretty cheap for a year and your ad will go on one of the top viewed pages.

Please note: We cannot guarantee the delivery date of your magazine. Please bear this in mind when advertising functions at the beginning of the month.

This magazine is run entirely by volunteers and relies on donations and advertising to fund it. It costs approximately £1 per issue to produce. We print about 340 copies each month. Please bear this in mind when submitting your personal interest articles.

Donations can be made at any time. Cheques made payable to **Goldhanger Parish Magazine** please - or you can go to the Goldhanger website and make a donation online.

Goldhanger is on the internet at: www.goldhanger.org.uk

Current and previous issues of the magazine are available in glorious technicolour from the Goldhanger website.

Goldhanger Correspondent

If you have any news articles about the village for inclusion in the Maldon & Burnham Standard and the Essex Chronicle.

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Origins of the bell tower

St. Peter's bell tower is a very prominent and significant feature of the village. However little is known about its history other than it was constructed in the 1400s. We know the history of the bells, but we have to turn to other sources to learn how and why the tower was built, and there are many similar towers in East Anglia that have good historical records.

Bell towers with thick walls were expensive to build, needing both expertise and a large labour force. The wealthy Higham family, who lived at Highams Manor at the time, were most likely to have funded it.

Our tower is built entirely with Kentish Ragstone from Maidstone, in contrast with the rest of church structure, which is a mix of types of stone. The name Ragstone has its origins with early stonemasons who noticed that this stone produced a ragged surface when split, unlike other UK limestones. It is easy to assume that the tower was built just to house bells, but similar towers in comparable locations were also built for other reasons...

To impress - a demonstration of the important and dominant position the Church and the Higham family had at that time. It is difficult to imagine our Church without a tower. This sketch helps to convey how it would have looked without it both then and now...



As a majestic entrance and exit – directly from the centre of the village for special occasions. When there were fewer bells special guests would have processed in through the bell ringers and straight down the aisle.

An observation and signalling tower - at times of threatened invasion from the sea and the river. In the middle ages there were many battles that would have raised local fears of an attack and justified keeping a lookout.

For fortification - The crenulated battlements on the tower, the heavy door and small windows (the large gothic style windows came later) all help to give an impression of fortification not unlike medieval castles with turrets.

For time keeping - from Saxon times on, churches used sundials so that a bell was rung at the correct time for services. On the south face of the tower there are signs of a small round fill-in that could have once had a simple sundial. There are also signs on the north face that the tower once had a clock face, but restoration and re-pointing has lost most of the evidence.

Finally, for bells - when the tower was first built it may have had just one bell. An inventory of Church goods at the time of the Reformation in 1549 lists four bells. More bells have been progressively added over the centuries and today with eight it is a very tight fit.

This month's cover is of a postcard from 1905 and is the earliest photo of the tower we have. Tourists were obviously around then. How's your French?

to find out more, search for: Goldhanger church tower past
David Newman (search for... Goldhanger past)

Goldhanger Church Services

Sunday 3rd November Trinity 20

All Souls Day

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

Sunday 10th November Remembrance Sunday

10.00am Family Service with Act of Remembrance

Sunday 17th November Trinity 22

9.30am Morning Prayer (CW)

**Sunday 24th November Christ the King
Next Before Advent**

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

****Please note during the parish vacancy the 8.30am service has been suspended.** There is a service of Holy Communion at All saints, Little Totham on Saturday evenings at 5.30pm and a service at 8.00am on Sundays in the North Blackwater benefice. Check their website for venue.

*** CW denotes a service from Common Worship using contemporary language.**

The services at St Peter's church are for everyone. We are pleased to have children at all of the services. There is a family service once a month. We are also pleased to have people of other denominations worshipping.

Mother's Union meets on the fourth Friday of each month 1.45pm at Honeywood Hall, Hall Road, Great Totham.

The Wednesday lunchtime Picnic Service for Parents and toddlers. Last Wednesday of the month in term time.

Please get in touch with the churchwardens if you are considering baptism for yourself or your children, confirmation, weddings, funeral arrangements, Holy Communion at home or if you would just like a visit.

ST. PETER'S GOLDHANGER

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Little Totham & Great
Totham

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788234

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www.essexinfo.net/st-peter-s-church-goldhanger

Parish Prayers

If you would like someone, an event or concern included in church prayers please write your request in the book in the Lady Chapel.

Votive candles are lit at Sunday Services.

Make sure you collect your copy of The Monthly News Article Diary to find out what is happening in the Diocese of Essex. Available free in church each month.

Maldon Food Pantry

Thank you for your harvest gifts for Maldon Food Pantry.

We continue to collect donations for them. There is a box in church for your contributions. When you are out shopping please think of those less fortunate than ourselves and buy a packet or tin extra.

Flags for November

Sunday 10th November



Remembrance Sunday

Thursday 14th November



Prince Charles Birthday

Goldhanger Village Hall



Now a newly modernised venue for birthday parties, discos, children's parties, quiz nights & theme nights.

Comfortably seats 80 people using our chairs and tables - you are welcome to bring your own enabling you to seat more.

Selection of regular events in the Village Hall:

Goldhanger Women's Institute

1st Wednesday of each month 7.30pm.

New members welcomed. <http://goldhangerwi.co.uk>

Goldhanger Parish Council

2nd Wednesday of each month 7.30pm.

essexinfo.net/goldhanger-parish-council

Goldhanger Art Society

Every second Thursday of the month 2pm to 4.30pm. £5 non members.

Numbers are limited. For details ring Jane 01621 892565. <http://goldhangerartclub.co.uk>

Goldhanger Kazen Kai Karate Club

Weekly on Thursday evenings. For children and adults.

Mobile Library

The Mobile Library stops at the Village Hall every THREE WEEKS on a WEDNESDAY from 13.10 to 13.40 (see back of magazine for dates).

Pilates

Every Monday 7pm

WiFi at the Village Hall

For access please check with a committee member when booking or using the hall



Village Hall Bookings

Contact Maureen Cheeseman on 788433 or email: mcheeseman@outlook.com

Web: www.goldhangervillagehall.co.uk

Facebook: [Goldhanger Village Hall](https://www.facebook.com/GoldhangerVillageHall)

Twitter: [@Goldhanger_VH](https://twitter.com/Goldhanger_VH)

		Goldhanger Resident Rate (per hour)	General Rate (per hour)
Monday-Friday	9.00 - 18.00	£8	£10
	18.00 - 23.00	£12	£15
Saturday-Sunday	9.00 - 18.00	£12	£15
	18.00 - 23.00	£18	£20

Community Page

Goldhanger Sailing Club www.goldhangersailingclub.org.uk

All types of sailing, including sailboarding and canoeing, with racing organised on Sundays during the season, there is something for everyone who loves the water.

Stamps for the Hospice

Your used stamps can be dropped in to the Hospice shops in Maldon or the Bentalls Centre in Heybridge.



Maldon District Council Monthly Surgeries

1st Saturday of the month at the Queens Head
Tolleshunt D'Arcy. from 12 noon to 1pm.

Meet Tolleshunt D'arcy and Tollesbury Ward Councillors
and/or raise issues or problems relating to local council matters.



Bellringing www.bellringing.org/learntoring/

Every Wednesday 7:30pm - 9:30pm and for services on Sundays.
Newcomers welcome.

Contact Andrew Kelso 788284 or email arckelso@mac.com.



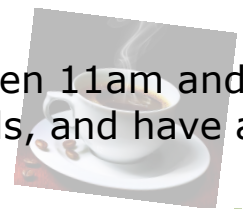
Mother's Union

4th Friday of each month at 1.45pm at Honywood Hall, Hall Road, Great Totham.



Coffee mornings

Community Room at St. Peter's Church on Tuesdays between 11am and 12noon. Everyone is welcome. Pop along, bring your friends, and have a chat over coffee.



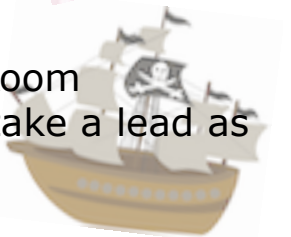
Wednesday lunchtime Picnic Service

For Parents and toddlers. Last Wednesday of the month in term time. St. Peter's Church.



Shanties in the Pub

3rd Tuesday in the month, 7:30 in the Chequers Billiards Room
Come along and sing along. Just join in the responses or take a lead as you wish. Ooo-Aaaar!



GOLDHANGER NOTICEBOARD

What's on in November?

Every Monday - Meet-up-Monday at The Chequers. 10am - Noon

Monday 4th, Tuesday 12th, Tuesday 19th, Monday 25th - Goldhanger Jubilee Christmas Concert Rehearsals. Page 18

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A place to stay in Goldhanger

Ideal for visitors when you haven't enough space.

Two double rooms available in Head St. via [Airbnb.co.uk](https://www.airbnb.co.uk)



Rental Property Required



Working couple plus one dog are looking for a rental property in Goldhanger.

We've recently moved to the village and currently living with parents.

We've fallen in love with the place and now want to settle here ourselves.

Please contact Sam on 07841975395 if you are looking for tenants.

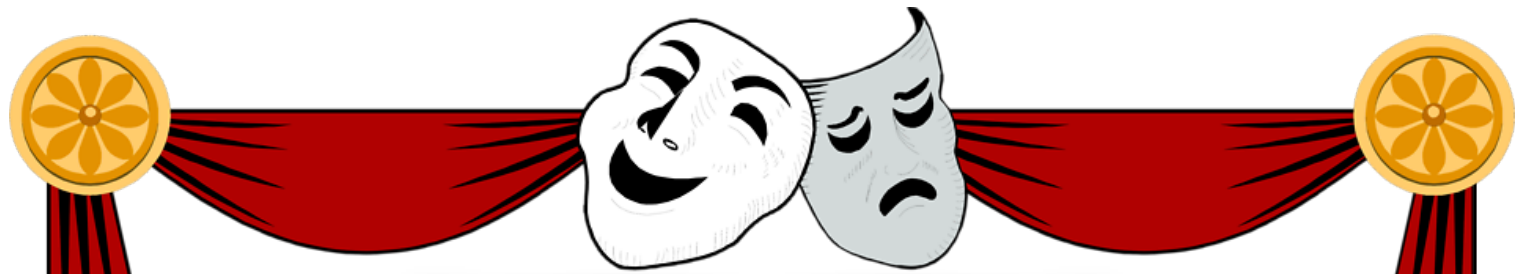
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Goldhanger Players

**Monday 11th and Monday 18th November
8pm**

Goldhanger Village Hall

The Goldhanger Players last performed in the 1960s.
Come and be part of the revival.

We could be putting on our own plays by next year.
Informal meetings to gain interest to start with.

No experience / acting ability necessary.

Whether you fancy yourself on stage or behind the
scenes you'll be more than welcome.

The Village Hall have kindly allowed the use of the hall free
for these two dates. Any further meetings will involve a small
charge to cover the cost of the hire of the hall.

Tea and coffee available for a donation to the Village Hall.

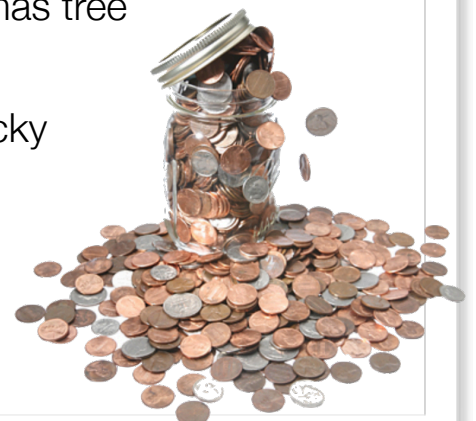
Goldhanger money Jar

We have decided to give the money jar for the Christmas tree
festival in December.

Keep saving It is greatly appreciated and one lucky
winner will be very happy at Christmas.

It could be you .

Elaine





FRIENDS OF ESSEX CHURCHES have selected the painting in St Peters Church, Goldhanger to feature as their Christmas card this year.

St Peters will benefit from the cards sold so please support the church and purchase some packs: (10 cards per pack)

Cheques made out to FECEC or put cash in an envelope with your address and how many packs you would like to buy and I will drop them in.

Becky 01621 788225 or 07711 347782 or willisbecky@btinternet.com.

Thank you



2019 Christmas Greetings



The Christmas Greetings pages are for you to wish your friends and neighbours in Goldhanger "Seasons greetings" and will appear in the December issue of the Parish Magazine.

This saves on individual cards and makes a donation to a good cause, for a lot less than sending individual cards would cost.

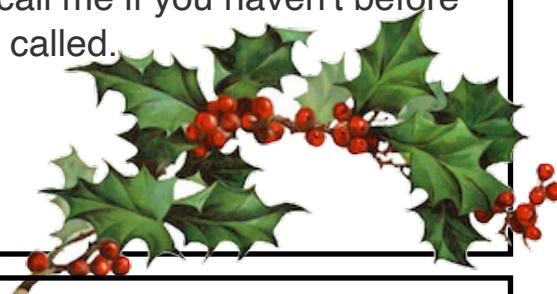
This year I propose funds raised are donated to 'Cool to be Kind' a Chelmsford based charity helping homeless people.

I will be collecting greetings between 1st and 14th November, I will be calling on those who have previously participated and please call me if you haven't before but would like to this year or I've missed you when I called.

Donations are suggested £2.50 per person.

I look forward to seeing you in November.

Julia Bourn 788298



Solitary Soldiers – Remembrance



Last year was the 100 year commemoration of the end of WWII and Maldon District villages received a wooden Solitary Soldier. Our Goldhanger soldier will be displayed during October and November on the main road and in the churchyard for Remembrance services.

Residents are welcome to decorate appropriately with messages of commemoration or thanks, pictures, poppies etc.

Last year's thoughtful poems and personal tributes of remembrance from residents of all ages have been kept safe. I hope our Tommy will continue to be a source of engagement and something the younger generation can start a discussion about and learn from.

£1000 raised in aid of St. Peter's Bells Restoration

It's definitely something you take to or not
to stand and pull a rope in time,
knowing when to go fast or slow
with Andrew yelling where to go.
We practise on a Wednesday night
no matter what the weather,
The methods we are supposed to know
just clashes and bangs, too fast too slow.
We try again and again to get it right
while Andrew cringes on the side,
He cannot understand the hash
because we've done it before without a crash.
It must be lovely to be able to ring
all those lovely methods we hear,
The homework and the learning time
Yes, yes we've got it ,I'm sure it's fine.
We get the rope into our hands
look to the treble then it sounds,
Away we go ,Yes we know what to do,
our minds go blank. Next bell ... Who ?
But perseverance from our tower
we patiently try and try again,
At last we have the method right
Then off to the Chequers for half a light.

Following on from that little ditty we would like to say a big, big **THANK YOU** for the wonderful support so many people gave at the Gala weekend. The Great Raffle, Face Painting, Chicken Poo Treasure Hunt, Lucky Dip, and Splat the Rat, helped us raise an enormous **£1000 pounds!**

This is a great start towards our goal of £10,000 for restoring the bells to a better standard.

We are most grateful for the effort taken by all that helped us so much. Only £9000 to go.

GOLDHANGER VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To be held at 7:30pm in the Village Hall on

Tuesday 26th NOVEMBER 2019

Everyone in the village community is most warmly invited

**A vacancy for a Trustee has arisen and if anyone is interested in joining this active committee please telephone Anton Jermy on
01621 788538**

Christmas Bingo

Saturday 7th December

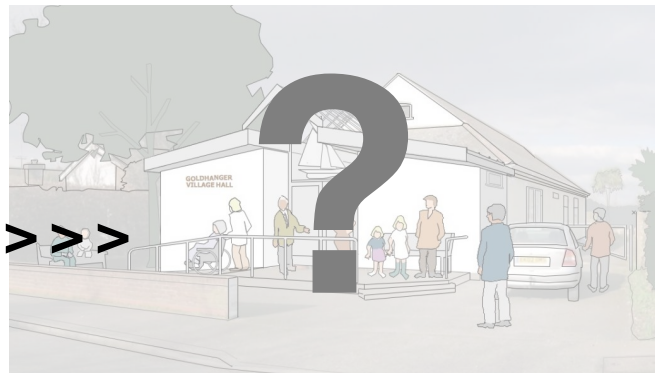
Doors open 7pm

More details in next month's magazine.

VILLAGE HALL PHOTO COMPETITION



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Now that the Village Hall has been refurbished we need an updated photo of the hall for the Village Hall website, Facebook page, and all stationery.

The prize is having your photograph used on all corporate branding.

Sunny days permitting, the closing date is: Saturday 30th November.

Entries to be sent to: **parishmag@goldhanger.org.uk**

Winner to be announced shortly thereafter.



Mystery Village Photo



A new fun spot in the magazine to see how well you know your village.

Where was this photo taken?

Let us know by email or paper through the door - **include your name!** - and the first person with the correct answer (which might require a house number or a location description) gets their name in next month's magazine! No prize money sadly.

On your marks ... !

Last month's picture was the Mad Hatter's hat on the gate of Hatters Lodge, 1, Head Street.

The winner is Linda Craske of Head Street.



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The Wedding of James and Katie

Congratulations to James and Katie married at Captain's Wood Barn, Great Totham, on Saturday 24th August.

Wishing you both all the love and happiness in the world.

From Mum, Michael, Grandma and all your family and friends.

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St Peter's Church Christmas Tree Festival

Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th December

We are looking for all types and styles of trees to decorate the church over the whole weekend.

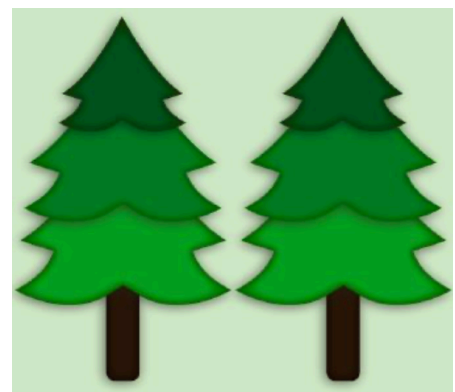
Please use your imagination to come up with a tree to celebrate the Christmas season.

The church will be open Saturday evening to see the trees in their full glory with lights aglow. Carols will be playing.

Sunday we will celebrate our carol service to be followed with mince pies and mulled wine.

We are asking everyone to take part.

Call Kim 01621 788698 for information.





Hi, my name is Rev Tracey Harvey. I am very pleased to be joining you for a three month placement as part of my Curacy training.

I am currently the Curate at Coggeshall, Marks Hall, Stisted, Pattiswick, Bradwell and Cressing, (living in Coggeshall). I am coming to the end of my Curacy and will soon be looking for my own Parish(es). It is quite common for a Curate to undertake a placement in another setting in order to see how other Parishes do things and to gain

additional experience before looking for a first Incumbency.

I originate from Southend-on-Sea and lived in and around Southend all my life until I moved to Coggeshall when I was ordained. Prior to being ordained I worked for the Civil Service for 10 years at Southend Jobcentre and before that did various jobs in either admin or retail.

I am fairly recently widowed having lost my husband in January this year. We were not blessed with children but I do have two “fur babies” in the form of my Cocker Spaniels – Bella and Meg. You may well get to meet them at some point as I hope to be able to bring them along sometimes when I am visiting you! I’m told there are lots of lovely walks around the area!



During my placement I shall be spending time at Tollesbury, Salcott, Tolleshunt Major, Tolleshunt D’Arcy, Goldhanger, and Great and Little Totham. I am very much looking forward to my time with you and getting to know you all. Do come and say hello!

Donations to the Parish Mag

We’d just like to say a huge thank you to everyone who has dropped a donation through our door or donated online. You’re a very generous lot.

Goldhanger, Lt Totham & Tolleshunt Major October WI Meeting October 2019



Having assisted on many television, theatre and film productions, we were entertained with amusing and inspirational tales of working in the costume industry, with the return of Amanda Sutherland to talk to us about Trends of a Decade and how through hard work and pure dedication the dream job really can be created.

This talk took us on a journey through the exciting changing trends with a costume showcase demonstrating original garments and accessories from the 1920s-1950s, & highlighting the importance of underpinnings from past eras with corsetry and pads onto the celebration of the more relaxed designs of the 20th century. This talk combined both historical costume references and beautiful visual displays.

Boards were circulated for the Annual Dinner at The Chequers and also for the 9-5 Musical taking place in London.

Colin Banks - Man of Hats is our speaker for November, and a reminder of the Xmas Dinner for members taking place at the December meeting.



A huge thank you to everybody who supported this years Harvest Supper. It was a very happy and sociable evening, with a delicious meal followed by quiz, raffle and 'amusing' Auction !

Thank you to all who came along, made desserts, donated prizes and Auction items: help set up and clear away the hall. A fantastic team effort and Goldhanger at its best.

The evening raised £1,000 for the church, so a very sincere thank you for your generosity.

Becky

The Goldhanger Jubilee Choir Christmas Concert 2019

Please put the date in your diary for this year's Christmas Concert!

Friday 20th December

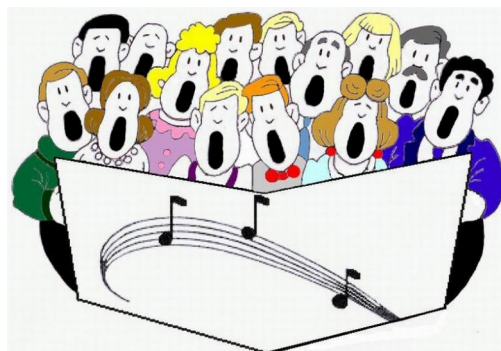
Practice for this year's Christmas concert are now underway

If you have not joined in before and would like to come along please feel free to just turn up at one of the rehearsals. Please note that no experience is necessary, or any ability to sing in tune.

Our theme for this year is 'Pantomime'.

Practice sessions will start at 7:30 sharp in the Church, please try and be seated in time. As before we'll generally alternate between Mondays and Tuesdays with just a couple of exceptions:

- **Monday 4th Nov**
- **Tuesday 12th Nov**
- **Tuesday 19th Nov**
- **Monday 25th Nov**
- **Tuesday 3rd Dec**
- **Monday 9th Dec**
- **Wednesday 18th Dec - Dress Rehearsal**



Of course there will also be the usual optional post-rehearsal reviews in the Chequers afterwards!

Please contact either Steve Clarke on 788246 or Keith Wilkins on 788275 for more details.

Goldhanger Open Mic



The next Open Mic will be on **Wednesday 27th November from 7pm till 10pm.**

Entry is just £3, bring your own drink as glass.

It is a great night out with live music from amateur, as well as some professional, guest performers.

Whether you just want to watch and listen or perform we would love to see you.

Please go to (and like): 'Goldhanger Open Mic' on Facebook for more details and to see some video clips of performances.

Goldhanger Village Hall

FilmClub



Wed 20th November

Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start

PLEASE BOOK IN ADVANCE & PAY ON THE DOOR

just
£6
per person

booking
contacts

Barbara 01621 788327
Debbie 01621 788709
Jill 01621 788738
jillcrooks66@icloud.com

plenty of parking behind the hall

Next Film Club: 18th Dec
Green Book

Proceeds in support of the
Village Hall, Head Street CM9 8AY

Philip Brian Glover

19th June 1959 to 4th October 2019

Phil and I moved into 'The Chequers' on the morning of Wednesday 6th March 2002 and somehow we managed to get the bar open for business by that evening. We were treated to a visit by some of the WI that very evening and we knew from then on that we would belong at 'The Chequers' and were welcome in Goldhanger.

Leap forward 17 years and almost 7 months and here we are with a situation where totally unexpectedly and very sadly our great friend Phil has passed away.

I could recount an endless number of stories about him, his escapades or his jokes, but I'd be here forever! Why not think instead how we'll all remember him. For me it will be his jokes, my favourite is the '3 pieces of string' joke, although I'm sure most of you might have expected it to be one of his very rude ones. Most of them are good as well though. Or I think maybe it will be one of the many days out I spent with him that involved incredible amounts of great food and alcohol. Robin often reminds me of the first time he met Phil where he sat incredulously for over half an hour watching Phil and I devouring cheese and biscuits and red wine without even stopping and talking to each other. My favourite event with him will always be his 40th Birthday when we spent 3 days just eating and drinking, starting at St. Margarets at Cliff in Kent and then progressing on the ferry to Calais and eventually coming back 2 days later having missed at least 2 ferries after the one we'd originally booked. I'm rambling I know, but there are so many happy memories.

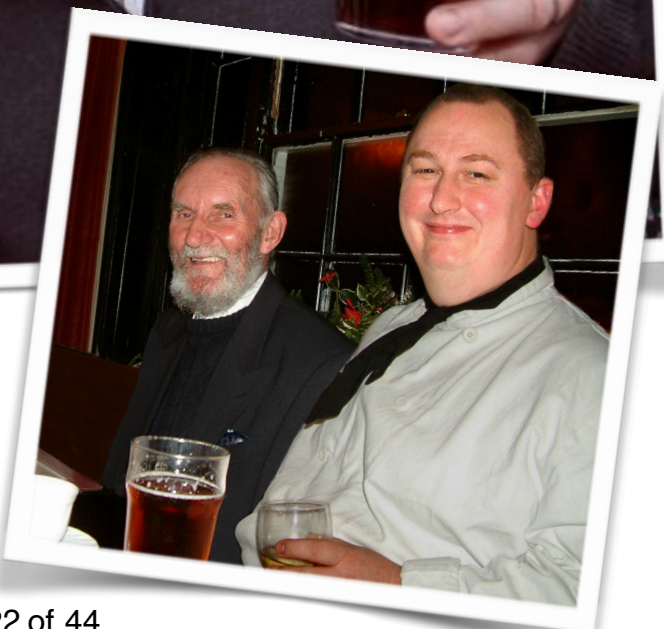
Maybe you'll remember him holding court, telling funny stories, his jokes, being 'DJ porky sausage' at New Year, his BBQ cooking at Gala weekend, his falling asleep in the tap room with a pizza or Ozzy or both in his lap, his ability to down a pint in one and rattling his empty glass on the bar, for putting up 'no Malcolms in the Tap Room', his love of sport, his love of music, his putting his head to one side when in a mood, where do I stop. I'm sure we'll all be chatting about him and reminiscing about him in the weeks to come and for long after that as well.

I'll finish by saying I just want to send all our thoughts, love and prayers to Natalie, his Son Daniel and all his family.

Sleep in peace Phil.

Dom







Old Girls Rock - Video Shoot



A sunny afternoon in early October saw local duo Carol and Suki doing a video shoot around the village for their latest single “Old Girls Rock”. The shoot was done at high tide on the seawall as well as in and around their Goldhanger home. A large proportion of the shoot by Mark Barnard of Celtic Pirate Productions was filmed in the village playground.



“We were thrilled when some local children and their Gran came into the playground and showed their interest in our filming and agreed to take part in the video” said Carol who composed the song. “This is a really fun foot tapping song and we had such a good time filming it and the contribution made by Gran and the children really was the icing on the cake” said Suki.

The video can be seen by visiting the duo’s YouTube channel ‘Carol and Suki’ and the track is available to download or stream from all major download stores by searching for “Old Girls Rock” by Carol and Suki.



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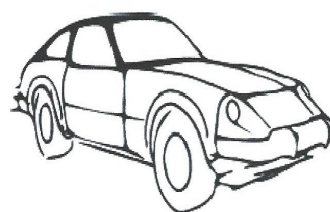
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Village Defibrillators

A question came up recently about the suitability of adult defibs being used on Children (1-8 years) and infants (under 1 year) and there is a lot of different advice depending on where you are in the country! However, I have chatted to our AED (defib) providers who advised as follows:

“The chance of using a defibrillator on a child under the age of 8 years old in an average community in the UK is about 1 in 3000 years. The chance of that defibrillator being used on an adult in the community (ie over 8 years old) is 1 in 1000 people per annum.”

These statistics show how rare it is for an AED to be needed by a child.

Our village AED units are Lifeline DDU2000 series units with video screen which guides the user step by step with adult pads. Our provider, The community Heartbeat Trust, has lots of further information on their website if you want to find out more (link below).

The resuscitation council advice document ‘Paediatric Basic Life Support’ (link below) advice on using AEDS on children is as follows:

- A standard AED can be used in children over 8 years.
- Purpose-made paediatric pads, or programs which attenuate the energy output of an AED, are recommended for children between 1 and 8 years.
- If no such system or manually adjustable machine is available, an unmodified adult AED may be used for children older than 1 year.
- There is insufficient evidence to support a recommendation for or against the use of AEDs in children less than 1 year.

<https://www.resus.org.uk/resuscitation-guidelines/paediatric-basic-life-support/>

<https://www.communityheartbeat.org.uk>

If you believe that you may need to use the equipment on a child of 8 years or under it is suggested you also speak with your GP for specific advice.



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If anyone has found this bracelet or knows of its whereabouts, please contact the Parish Mag editors on 788369 or email us on parishmag@goldhanger.org.uk.

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NO wipes in Goldhanger pipes!

On the first of October this year Anglian Water was called out due to sewage bubbling up at the bottom of Fish Street. After some time they were able to clear the blockage.

On this occasion it was completely blocked by wipes.

PLEASE, please bear in mind that we have a very old sewage system in Goldhanger. In the past we have been in awful situations when the pipes were blocked and the backed up sewage was coming back out of the toilets.



The system that we have is really **only suitable for toilet paper**. Anything else will cause blockages. The wipes that state on the packaging that they are flushable **ARE NOT**.

Even if we had a sewage system that could deal with them, they are not bio degradable and are causing problems all over the country.

Let's try to get through the coming winter without any blockages or flooding.

Your help will be much appreciated.

Thank you.

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GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL

Report of the Ordinary Meeting held on 9.10.2019

Planning

Maldon District Council decisions:

32 Head Street – Proposed front/side extension, garage conversion, roof lights and removal of side lean to. Approved.

1 Benham Close – garage conversion. Refused.

There were no new applications to consider.

Highways

There is still no date from Essex Police for the training of the new Goldhanger Community Speedwatch team.

Councillors Julia Bourn and Mike Sargeant walked around the village with representatives from Essex County Council Highways to discuss various issues. The Local Highways Panel scheme to increase the speed limit to 40mph in parts of the village will not now go ahead, and the Parish Council questioned how such a scheme was ever put forward. The speed limits will now remain as at present, with an advisory 20 mph maximum limit at the Tolleshunt D'Arcy end of the village. The faded speed limit signs at the Maldon end will be replaced with chevrons, road marker poles and "Please Drive Carefully" signs, and drainage at the Charity Farm bends will be investigated. The Highways representatives pointed out that although new signs will be put in, there is no budget to repair or replace them in the future.

Other issues mentioned were that HGVs are using Little Totham Road which has a weight restriction; and the overgrown hedge at the junction of Church Street and Maldon Road. This will be reported to the Highways Rangers who it is hoped will cut it back although this is not guaranteed. Flooding issues in Fish Street due to blocked gulleys will also be investigated.

Other issues

New pads will be obtained for the defibrillators. Councillor Mrs Bourn will seek clarification as to whether a standard defibrillator can be used on babies and very young children.

Due to the closure in 2020 of the current host for the Parish Council's website, other arrangements will be looked into.

Concern was expressed that the grass triangle at the junction of Maldon Road and Little Totham Road is being used to park vehicles which are for sale.

At the next meeting the Council will look at the general provision and location of dog waste bins in the village.

The next meeting of the Parish Council is the Ordinary Meeting on Wednesday 13th November.



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Children's Pages

Children's Quiz

1. What does the abbreviation OAP stand for?
2. What type of animal is an emu?
3. In the children's nursery rhyme, who 'went up the hill to fetch a pail of water'? And what is a pail?
4. Which ancient language was spoken by the Romans?
5. What sort of boat do fishermen use to catch fish at sea?
6. What **type of animal** is a kingfisher?
7. What sort of toy is a round plastic disc that you can throw and catch?
8. Starting with the letter 'E', what do we call a river's mouth where it widens into the **sea**?
9. **What is another word** for elevator?
10. Starting with the letter 'A' what is one of the highest ranks in the navy?

Answers on page 38

Joke

Q: Which hand is it better to write with?

A: Neither, it's best to write with a pen!



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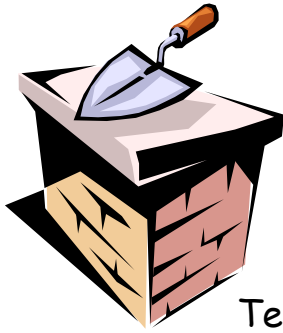
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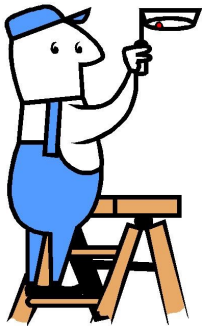
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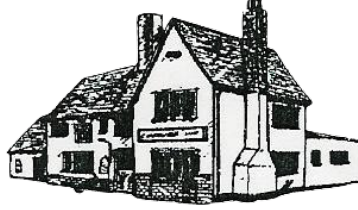
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Recipe of the month

Gingerbread cake with orange icing

Prep **less than 30 mins**

Cook **1 - 2 hours**

Serves **10 - 12**



For the cake

225g/8oz butter, softened
225g/8oz light muscovado sugar
225g/8oz golden syrup
225g/8oz black treacle
225g/8oz self-raising flour, sifted
225g/8oz wholemeal self-raising flour, sifted
4 tsp ground ginger
2 tbsp stem ginger (from a jar), chopped
2 free-range eggs, beaten
300ml/10½fl oz milk

For the orange icing

150g/5oz icing sugar
1 orange, juice and zest

Method

Line a 23cm/9in square cake tin at least 4cm/1½in deep with baking parchment.

Preheat the oven to 160C/325F/Gas 3.

Place the butter, sugar, golden syrup and black treacle into a pan and heat gently until the mixture has melted evenly. Set aside to cool slightly.

Sift the flours, ground ginger and stem ginger into a large mixing bowl and mix gently. Pour the cooled butter mixture into the flour. Add the eggs and milk and beat with a wooden spoon until well combined.

Pour the cake batter into the tin and level the surface with a palette knife or the back of a spoon. Bake for 50 minutes, or until the cake has risen and is golden-brown and a skewer inserted into the middle comes out clean. Set aside to cool slightly in the tin, then transfer the cake to a wire rack and set aside to cool completely.

Meanwhile, for the orange icing, sift the icing sugar into a bowl. Add about two tablespoons of the orange juice and mix to a smooth paste. Add more orange juice, as necessary, until you get a smooth icing of the consistency you desire.

Pour the icing over the cooled cake and spread lightly, allowing it to ooze over the edges. Sprinkle over chopped orange zest and set the cake aside until the icing has set.

Answers to Children's Quiz on page 31

1. Old age pensioner
2. It's a large flightless bird
3. Jack and Jill. A pail is a bucket.
4. Latin
5. Trawler
6. Bird
7. Frisbee
8. Estuary
9. Lift
10. Admiral



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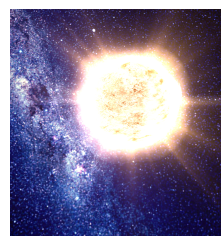
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180°C	350°F	4
190°C	375°F	5
200°C	400°F	6
220°C	425°F	7
230°C	450°F	8
240°C	475°F	9

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For Maldon add 15mins



November				
	Morning		Afternoon	
	time	m	time	m
1 F	02:44	5.80	15:03	5.92
2 Sa	03:22	5.50	15:46	5.59
3 Su	04:00	5.17	16:33	5.21
4 M	04:43	4.85	17:30	4.86
5 Tu	05:42	4.56	18:42	4.65
6 W	07:11	4.43	20:01	4.69
7 Th	08:33	4.58	21:11	4.92
8 F	09:35	4.86	22:06	5.18
9 Sa	10:24	5.14	22:50	5.38
10 Su	11:05	5.36	23:27	5.50
11 M	11:40	5.52		
12 Tu	00:00	5.60	12:13	5.66
13 W	00:32	5.68	12:47	5.76
14 Th	01:06	5.72	13:22	5.82
15 F	01:41	5.70	13:58	5.81
16 Sa	02:18	5.60	14:36	5.74
17 Su	02:55	5.44	15:17	5.62
18 M	03:35	5.26	16:03	5.46
19 Tu	04:22	5.06	17:00	5.28
20 W	05:22	4.88	18:10	5.14
21 Th	06:42	4.80	19:30	5.17
22 F	08:08	4.95	20:45	5.35
23 Sa	09:19	5.24	21:51	5.58
24 Su	10:18	5.53	22:48	5.76
25 M	11:09	5.77	23:36	5.87
26 Tu	11:54	5.95		
27 W	00:19	5.92	12:36	6.06
28 Th	01:00	5.92	13:18	6.09
29 F	01:41	5.85	14:00	6.00
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Thursday dates	Location	Stop name	Arrives	Leaves
06 November 2019	Ulting	Does Corner	9:40	9:55
27 November 2019	Ulting	Ulting Lane/Water Co. Houses	10:00	10:15
18 December 2019	Heybridge	Colne House	10:45	11:15
08 January 2020	Heybridge	Coopers Avenue	11:20	11:50
	Heybridge Basin	Bus Stop	12:00	12:15
	Heybridge Basin	Daisy Meadows car park	12:20	12:50
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Monday to Friday

95 Tollesbury to Maldon	HO	HO	HO	HO	HO
TOLLESBURY The Square	0735	0920	1130	1430	1605
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School	0740	0925	1135	1435	1610
GOLDHANGER Square	0745	0930	1140	1440	1615
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road	0750	0935	1145	1445	1620
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel	0752	0937	1147	1447	1622
HEYBRIDGE Square	0755	0940	1150	1450	1625
MALDON Tesco Store	0758	0943	1153	1453	1628
MALDON High Street	0801	0946	1156	1456	1631
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre	0805	0950	1200	1500	1635
MALDON Morrisons	0810	0955	1205	1505	1640
95 Maldon to Tollesbury	HO	HO	HO	HO	HO
MALDON Morrisons	0825	1040	1250	1520	1645
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre	0830	1045	1255	1525	1650
MALDON High Street	0835	1050	1300	1530	1655
MALDON Tesco Store	0839	1054	1304	1534	1659
HEYBRIDGE Square	0843	1058	1308	1538	1703
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel	0846	1100	1310	1541	1706
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road	0848	1102	1312	1543	1708
GOLDHANGER Square	0853	1108	1318	1548	1713
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GOLDHANGER Square	0910	1110	1310	1450	
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road	0915	1115	1315	1455	
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel	0917	1117	1317	1457	
HEYBRIDGE Square	0920	1120	1320	1500	
MALDON Tesco Store	0923	1123	1323	1503	
MALDON High Street	0926	1126	1326	1506	
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre	0930	1130	1330	1510	
MALDON Morrisons	0935	1135	1335	1515	
95 Maldon to Tollesbury		Hedingham Omnibus			
MALDON Morrisons	0955	1155	1355	1625	
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre	1000	1200	1400	1630	
MALDON High Street	1005	1205	1405	1635	
MALDON Tesco Store	1010	1210	1410	1640	
HEYBRIDGE Square	1015	1215	1415	1645	
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel	1017	1217	1417	1647	
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road	1019	1219	1419	1649	
GOLDHANGER Square	1025	1225	1425	1655	
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