



1937 Coronation procession in The Square

## 127 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.

**All articles (ideally in PDF or plain text) 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.**

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Magazine & Goldhanger  
Website)

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

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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 350 copies each month.

**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.

Current and previous issues of the magazine are available in glorious technicolour from the Goldhanger website at: [www.goldhanger.org.uk](http://www.goldhanger.org.uk).

### 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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## An extract from the Jubilee booklet

This month's article is just a short extract from the booklet currently being offered for sale to raise funds towards the Goldhanger celebrations...

### GOLDHANGER

After a service in the morning, a procession, formed in the Square, and headed by Britannia, marched to a meadow lent by Mr. C. Page. Later the old people sat down to a meal in the schoolroom of beef, ham, etc. with a drink of beer for the health of the King, and cigars.

All then went to the meadow, where a programme of sports was successfully carried out. In the evening a bonfire was lit in the meadow, and there was dancing in the school. The festivities were organised by members of the Goldhanger and Little Totham Women's Institute, under the supervision of Mrs. G. Bunting.

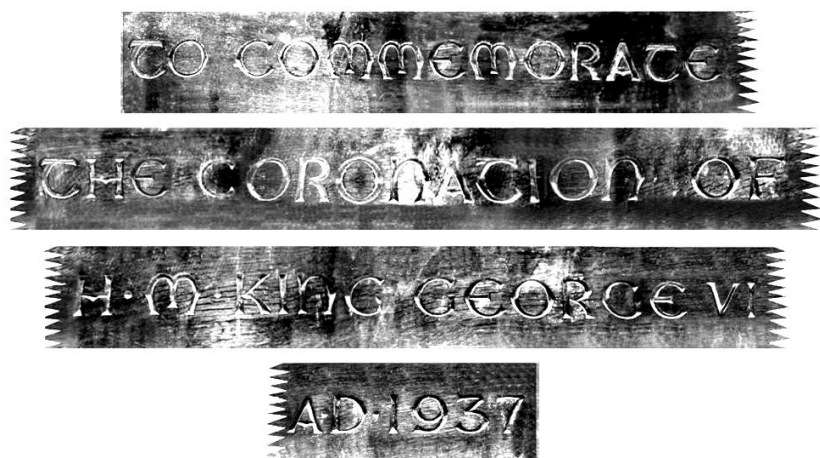
*a local newspaper  
article recording the  
village celebrations  
for the Coronation of  
King George VI  
in 1937*

The cover photo shows the 1937 procession in The Square



*surprisingly, the humble  
bus shelter in The Square  
was built as a commemoration  
of King George VI's Coronation  
in 1937*

*today the wording  
along the full length  
of the front beam  
inside the shelter  
is difficult to read*



David Newman

# Goldhanger Village Hall



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**Selection of regular events in the Village Hall, please check the calendar on the website (see below)**



## Goldhanger Parish Council

2nd Wednesday of each month 7.30pm.

**Website:** [parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk](http://parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk)

## Goldhanger Art Society

Every second Thursday of the month 2pm to 4.30pm. Catherine - 01708 788488. <http://goldhangerartclub.co.uk>

## Goldhanger Kazen Kai Karate Club

Weekly on Thursday evenings. For children and adults.

## Pilates

Weekly on Monday evenings 7-8pm.

## Basking Babies

Weekly on Thursday mornings from 10am.

## Dazzlers Craft Club

Monthly on Saturdays 10am to 4pm

For more events please see the Village Hall website below

## Village Hall Bookings

Contact Jackie Christy on 788432 or:  
<http://www.goldhangervillagehall.co.uk/bookings/#form>

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|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|
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|                 | 18.00 - 23.00 | £15                                    | £18                        |
| Saturday-Sunday | 9.00 - 18.00  | £15                                    | £18                        |
|                 | 18.00 - 23.00 | £20                                    | £25                        |

# Community Page

## **Goldhanger Sailing Club** [www.goldhangersailingclub.org.uk](http://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/](http://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](mailto:arckelso@mac.com).

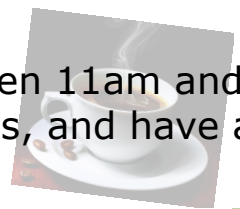
## **Mother's Union**

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**

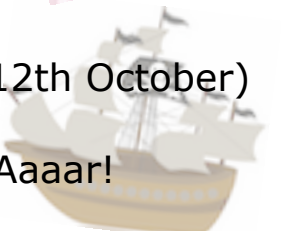
For Parents and toddlers. Last Wednesday of the month in term time. St. Peter's Church.



## **Shanties in the Pub**

Billiards room at the Chequers every other Tuesday (from 12th October) from 7pm.

Just join in the responses or take a lead as you wish. Ooo-Aaaar!





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**GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL**  
**New website: [www.parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk/](http://www.parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk/)**  
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To contact the Parish Council please use the details above.

### **LIST OF COUNCILLORS**

|                                                  |                                                       |                                                                                                              |
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| Councillor Clive Cheeseman<br>Allotments Officer | 3 Maldon Road<br>Goldhanger<br>CM9 8BG                | 01621 788433                                                                                                 |
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## **Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

Goldhanger logo design

June 2nd - 5th 2022



Goldhanger is planning its celebrations and to commemorate the occasion the entries & winning Logo designs will be displayed over the Jubilee weekend in Goldhanger.

To enter a design:

There will be 3 age groups 4-7, 8-12 & 12-14 with a best in class prize, then an overall winner and you should live in Goldhanger to enter.

Your design can be any colour.

Submit your entry on A4 sized paper by 31/3/22 to [Juliabourn@live.co.uk](mailto:Juliabourn@live.co.uk)

Take your inspiration from Goldhanger and the Queens jubilee. Previous designs have included the Parish sign as its logo, so we would suggest something different for 2022.

# Accredited Site Based Heritage Building Training

Bakers of Danbury Ltd, a local construction company who specialises in churches and listed properties has recently developed an 18 month internal training programme built around an onsite based NVQ, together with externally accredited in-house training modules.

The Trainees will carry out a variety of conservation and restoration projects on churches, cathedrals and ancient buildings and will cover all learning and assessments onsite. At the end of the training programme they will become qualified and skilled **Heritage Building Craftsmen**.

Both trainees will be assigned a Mentor - an experienced and skilled craftsman who works directly for Bakers of Danbury. Throughout the training programme, the trainees will be working closely with their Mentors to achieve an NVQ Level 2 in stonemasonry preservation skills, together with a programme of accredited heritage building modules which will cover lime plastering, carpentry repairs and other skills necessary to carry out conservation and repair works to churches and ancient monuments.

On successful completion of the accredited training programme the trainees will have a varied and valuable skill set and will continue to work on many interesting church projects with the opportunity for subsequent training and internal promotion within the company.

Peter Smyth, Managing Director of Bakers of Danbury Limited said;

***“We are proud to be actively helping to reduce the skills shortage within the construction industry, in particular the heritage sector, by creating two new places for Trainee Heritage Building Craftsman, within our Church Works department.***

***As there isn't an NVQ 2 available in building heritage or conservation, our unique training programme will offer new entrants into the industry the opportunity to learn skills and benefit from training they are unlike to gain anywhere else”***

If you would like to register your interest, please email [info@bakersofdanbury.co.uk](mailto:info@bakersofdanbury.co.uk) or apply in writing to: Managing Director, Bakers of Danbury Ltd, Eves Corner, Danbury, Essex CM3 4QB.





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# Goldhanger Church Services

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May                      Easter 3**  
9.30am          Parish Communion (CW)

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May                      Easter 4**  
10.00am          Family Service.

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May                      Easter 5**  
7.30pm          Symbolic Passover Meal and Stripping the church

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May**  
2.00pm          Parish Rogation Walk  
Meet at the church

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May                      Rogation Sunday**  
9.30am          Parish Communion

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May                      Ascension Day**  
10.00am          Holy Communion at St Peter's, Great Totham

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May                      Easter 7**  
10.30am          Benefice Communion Service at St Mary's, Saltcott  
Followed by bring and share lunch at Saltcott Village Hall

**On-line Sunday services** can be found at:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/news-and-media/church-online/weekly-online-services>

**On-line Morning Prayer** will be on Facebook on Mondays and on YouTube on Wednesdays and Fridays both at 10.00am.

Morning Prayer can be accessed through our Facebook page, YouTube channel and on "a church near you".

## **Weekday Holy Communion Services**

Weekday Holy Communion service from The Book of Common Prayer

Every Wednesday at St Nicholas, Tolleshunt D'Arcy at 10.00am

And

Every Saturday at All Saints, Little Totham at 5.30pm

Please get in touch with Lizzie Armour or the churchwardens if you are considering baptism for yourself or your children, confirmation, and weddings Please contact Rev'd Tracey for funeral arrangements.

## **Parish Prayers**

If you would like someone, an event or concern included in church prayers please contact Kim Evans or George Bunting

Votive candles are lit at Sunday Services.

**Raise free donations for Goldhanger church through Easyfundraising**

All you need to do is:

1. Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpeterschurchgoldhanger> and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, log in to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) first to find the retailer you want and start shopping.
3. After you've made your purchase, the retailer will make a donation to the church at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

Thank you for your support. Please contact Lizzie Armour, our Benefice Administrator on 07908 776750 or [office.blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:office.blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com) for any queries or help.

## St. Peter's Church Goldhanger

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                         |                                                                                                             |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Priest in Charge of the Blackwater Benefice*</b>                                                                                                                                                            | Reverend Tracey Caswell | 07742 999 633<br><a href="mailto:blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com">blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com</a>             |
| <b>Associate Priests</b>                                                                                                                                                                                       | Reverend Sue Godsmark   | 01621 891513<br><a href="mailto:suegodsmark@aol.com">suegodsmark@aol.com</a>                                |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Reverend Sarah Clare    | 07762 840905 / 01621 868819<br><a href="mailto:sarahclare9@gmail.com">sarahclare9@gmail.com</a>             |
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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Kim Evans               | 01621 788698<br><a href="mailto:kwestwood58@aol.com">kwestwood58@aol.com</a>                                |
| <b>Benefice Administrator</b>                                                                                                                                                                                  | Lizzie Armour           | 07908776750<br><a href="mailto:office.blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com">office.blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com</a> |
| (Please contact Lizzie if you wish to book, a wedding, baptism etc. She is available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Messages left at other times during the week will be responded to at regular intervals) |                         |                                                                                                             |
| <b>Church flowers</b>                                                                                                                                                                                          | Mrs Elaine Clark        | 788686<br><a href="mailto:elaclark@me.com">elaclark@me.com</a>                                              |

\* Goldhanger, Little Totham & Great Totham and Tollesbury, Salcott, Tolleshunt D'Arcy and Tolleshunt Major

St. Peter's Goldhanger website: [www.st-peters-church.goldhanger.org.uk](http://www.st-peters-church.goldhanger.org.uk)

## Flags

Sunday 08<sup>th</sup> May



VE Day Anniversary

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May



Ascension Day



# GOLDHANGER JUBILEE EVENTS

Take a look at some of the fantastic events and activities that will be taking place over the Bank Holiday weekend.

Times and events may be subject to change nearer the time.

## Thursday 2nd June

Church Flower Festival

Organised Ramble

Scarecrow Judging

Sailing Club Gala & Hog Roast

Beacon Lighting and Song for Jubilee

Chequers Beer Festival

DJ Paul Rossi At The Cricketers

**11am-5pm**

**9am-11.30am**

**2pm**

**12pm-6pm**

**9pm**

**Evening**

**9.00pm**

## Friday 3rd June

Scarecrow Display

Church Flower Festival

Try Your Hand at Bell Ringing

Treasure Hunt

Church Cream Teas

Plant Sale

Open Gardens

Chequers Beer Festival

Jubilee Celebrations Remembered

Karaoke at The Cricketers

**All Day**

**11am-5pm**

**Sessions at 10.30am and 2.30pm**

**11am-5pm**

**2pm-5pm**

**11am-5pm**

**11am-5pm**

**All Day**

**Doors open at 7.00pm for 7.30pm start**

**From 8.00pm**



# GOLDHANGER JUBILEE EVENTS

## continued



## Saturday 4th June

### Jubilee Festival

- Competition Drop-offs at Village Hall
- Competition Winners on Display
- Festival with Live Music, Hot Food and Stalls
- Goldhanger Nursery Craft Fun
- Marigold Wood Nature Trail Quiz

**12.30pm-4.30pm**

**9am - 10am**

**12pm - 4.30pm**

**12.30 - 4.30pm**

**TBC**

**12.30pm-4.30pm**

### Other Events

Scarecrow Display

Dog Show

BBQ and Refreshments at The Chequers

Chequers Beer Festival

Church Flower Festival

Classic Cars & Bikes

Chequers Live Music

Cricketers Live Music "Triggers Broom"

**All Day**

**10am -12pm**

**From 10.30am**

**All Day**

**11am-5pm**

**9.30am -2pm**

**3.30pm - 6.00pm**

**8.00pm - 10.00pm**

## Sunday 5th June

Scarecrow Display

Church Flower Festival

Chequers Beer Festival

Classic Cars & Bikes Run

Family Church Service

Parachute Teddy Drop

Big Jubilee Lunch at Padmalayam

**All Day**

**11am-5pm**

**All Day**

**9am**

**10am**

**11am**

**12pm-5pm**





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## Tolleshunt D'Arcy Horticultural Show 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2022 – Save the date!

We are looking forward to a great show on the first Saturday of July. For those that know us you will remember previous shows. A wide variety of classes for anyone to enter, or just come along on the day and see what others have brought along.

Get your seeds in now – start thinking about those cakes you can bake or photos you can take.

Our website is up to date with classes and entry forms. The printed schedule will be in local shops and venues in May. Put us in your diary.

See you there

<http://www.darcyhotsoc.co.uk/>

## Goldhanger Allotments available

If you would like an allotment please phone or e-mail:

Clive Cheeseman

[cheeseman3@sky.com](mailto:cheeseman3@sky.com)

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Hello everyone,

We have had some volunteers come forward. But need more please.

We have also seen concerns posted online about speeding in the village. Over the years the Parish Council have applied to Highways for various schemes to reduce traffic speeds, in particular on the main road. However, the last scheme proposed by highways was to increase the speed at the D'Arcy end of the village which the Parish Council successfully appealed!

One way to build a case for any future scheme is to collate an evidence base, one way this can be achieved is from collected speed data.

If anyone is interested in being part of a community speed watch group please email the Parish Council Clerk.

I enclose the commitments of the group below, however you will note that one unresolved issue is the provision of the equipment.

- Number of volunteers required : Minimum of ten, ideally more, as we recommend that monitoring takes place in groups of three.
- Commitment of volunteers : There are no restrictions and we ask volunteers to do whatever they feel comfortable with. Each group works their own rota depending on availability of volunteers.
- Coordinator : Each group will need a dedicated person to coordinate them. This person will be responsible for the equipment, the volunteers and ensuring log sheets are completed and returned to the police for processing.
- Sites : Ideally there should be a minimum of two sites within the community. These should be in a 30mph or 40mph zone. They must be evaluated and approved as being suitable for CSW activities. Sites must be visible, consideration must be given to the safety of volunteers and motorists when choosing sites. There must be a safe place to stand off the road which does not obstruct any pedestrian right of way. If there are no pavements you may be able to use a village green or wide verge. Access to that site must be safe, do not expect volunteers to walk along the road or put themselves at risk at any time. Where can volunteers park if they have to drive to the site? You don't want them parked in the line of vision? Signage needs to be placed approximately 100 meters in each direction and in a suitable location.
- Equipment : We can loan a device subject to funding where groups fulfil the criteria (we do however, currently have a waitlist). Hi-Vis jackets, signs and training will be provided.



- Monitoring : We would expect a minimum of two hours monitoring a week whenever possible. This can take place at any time during day light hours and subject to weather conditions. Volunteer safety is paramount and we ask you not to carry out monitoring during poor visibility or slippery road conditions.
- Objectives of CSW : To educate road users to speed restrictions and the effect that their speeding is having on local communities. All offenders recorded by CSW are processed by Essex Police and the car details are checked on the police system. A letter is sent for the first offence and second offence and on the third instance they are added to a tasking list to be dealt with by Essex Police Casualty Reduction department. Information provided may also be used for police intelligence.

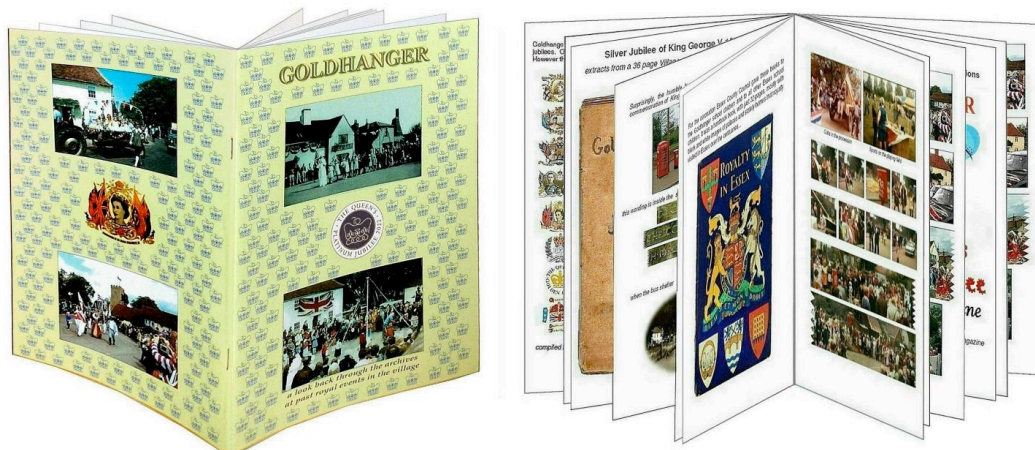
Julia Bourn - Parish Council (Chair)

## JUBILEE BOOKLET SOUVENIR - ORDERS BEING TAKEN NOW

Goldhanger has had a long tradition of celebrating royal weddings and jubilees, and our history archive has photos and newspaper articles covering eight past events which take us back to the Golden Jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1887. As part of the Queen's Platinum celebrations in June we have prepared a booklet that covers all of these local celebrations. The 36-page booklet has 60 coloured images and 14 articles, and is being sold in advance of the celebrations at a cost of £5 each to help raise funds for our jubilee activities.

We are now taking orders and will place a bulk order with the printers to maximise contributions to our jubilee celebrations.

**Contact David Newman - [david@churchside1.plus.com](mailto:david@churchside1.plus.com) 01621-788657**





## Church Flower Festival

To Celebrate the Queen's Jubilee .

The Festival is open to all organizations in the village and to private individuals .

Please let me know if you are interested .If you would like to help but don't feel you can do a display perhaps you would like to be a sponsor and we can get one of our team to do it for you .

The theme is anything to do with the Queen's 70 year reign .

Looking forward to hearing from you

Elaine Clark

788686

[elaclark@me.com](mailto:elaclark@me.com)



## Jubilee Plant Sale - Friday 3rd June

Any plant donations will be gratefully received - ornamentals, vegetables, etc. Please take to the churchyard on the Friday morning (labelled please!)

Thank you 🙏🌱



## Word of the Month

**Impecunious** *adjective*

Having little or no money



## Farmer's Cheese & Wine Social Evening

On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March the Blackwater Benefice held a Cheese and Wine Social Evening for our local farmers. Following a conversation between Revd Tracey, Priest-in-Charge and Revd Janet Nicholls, Agricultural Chaplain, we became aware that the early part of the year can be a particularly difficult time for the farming community. Sadly it is a known fact that the suicide rate amongst farmers goes up at that time of year. We felt we would like to offer a social event for the farmers in our Benefice to give them an opportunity to get together to support one another and just to have a nice evening out. We wanted to be able to give something back to those without whom the rest of us would have no food.



The evening was a great success. We had around 50 guests, including a representative of the Farming Community Network who brought information for farmers on where to get help should they need it. We were greatly indebted to Tesco's at Tiptree and Morrisons at Maldon who donated all of the food, except the cakes, which were made by ladies from around the Benefice!

We were keen to support local businesses as well as farmers and were very blessed that a local vineyard at Purleigh, New Hall Wines, provided award winning English wine at trade price and on sale or return. Beer was provided at trade price by Red Fox Brewery in Coggeshall. Tolleshunt D'Arcy, one of the parishes in our Benefice, is famous for the D'Arcy Spice Apple and the juice of the apple was provided at trade price by Jacobs Farm Shop in Heybridge.

We wanted to ensure as much as possible of the food and drink was British and even the supermarkets obliged with British cheese and butter! The Farming Community Network also supported us with additional funding. All the guests really enjoyed themselves, we received lots of thank you letters and emails and several asked if we could do it again next year! We will be only too happy to do so!

### Tide Times

<https://www.goldhanger.org.uk/index.html>

<https://www.tidetimes.co.uk/maldon-tide-times>



The Human Fruit machine needs volunteers young and old to help it function at the Jubilee Festival on Saturday 4th June from 12-30 to 16-30 in the village hall field.

Never heard of a human fruit machine? Well, don't worry we have done it before. All the volunteers have to do is sit on a chair and when someone wants to have a go on the machine 3 people at same time reach behind themselves to a fruit bowl and then display their fruit.

It's simple really. People win a fruit sweet for having a go or a packet of sweets for getting a row of the same fruits. If anyone can volunteer to go on a rota so I know its covered I just need 20 minutes of your time.

Please ring me on 788432 or call at 20 Head St.

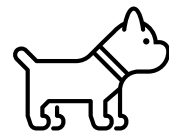
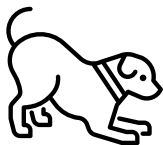
Many thanks Jackie



## Goldhanger Jubilee Fun Dog Show

Saturday 4th June

10am – 12pm



Goldhanger Playing Field – Fish Street

Best Rescue  
Waggiest Tail  
Scruffiest/Fluffiest  
“Recall Scramble”

£1 entry per  
dog per class



Best Fancy Dress  
Golden Oldie (8 years +)  
Best Puppy (12 months and  
under)  
Young Handler (16 years  
and under)

Money raised to benefit Goldhanger Village Hall &  
Clarks Farm Greyhound Rescue



# BRAVE TEDDIES WANTED

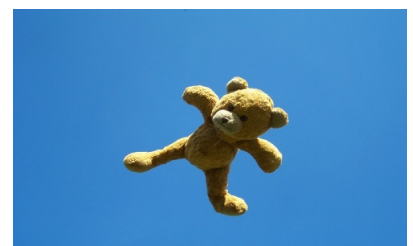
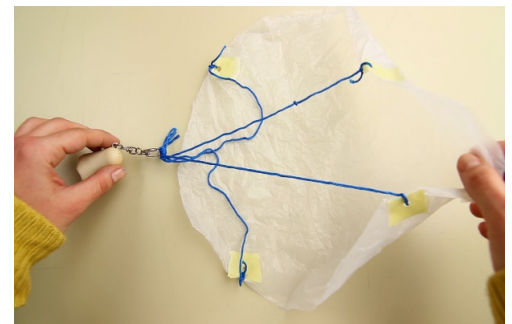
Sunday  
4<sup>th</sup> June  
11am



Platinum  
Jubilee  
Weekend

St. Peter's  
Church  
Yard

1. Make a parachute from a piece of cloth, plastic bag or even an old umbrella
2. Tie the parachute to your Teddy
3. Watch your brave Teddy fly from the roof of the church!







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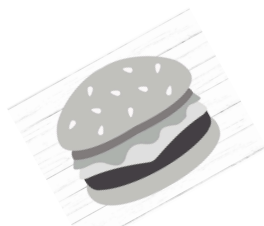
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## Goldhanger Village Hall Jubilee Festival Saturday 4th June

- 09:00-10:00 Competition entries to the hall  
10:00-12:00 Competition judging  
12:30-16:30 Festival opens, competition displays in the hall



Burger van    Dominos pizza    Ice cream van    Cake stall  
Pimms & beer tent    Games and children's activities  
Grand raffle    Tombola  
and much more!



We have a bevy of live musical talent lined up so bring your chairs and rugs.... and relax into the afternoon.



raffle and tombola prizes gratefully received  
please contact Jill Crooks or Mark Gardner

**[jillcrooks66@icloud.com](mailto:jillcrooks66@icloud.com)**

**[mark@marksdomain.org.uk](mailto:mark@marksdomain.org.uk)**

**788738**

**07788 420198**

*Funds in aid of the Village Hall kitchen improvements*



## The Chequers Inn – We're Back!



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We're so pleased to be back and able to do what we do best – serve our guests with great food and drink in a great pub with a great atmosphere and great hospitality.

Dominic and The Team look forward to welcoming you to The Chequers Inn soon





# Trumpet voluntary

Prince of Denmark's March

Jeremiah Clarke

Allegro maestoso  $\text{♩} = 108$

B $\flat$  Trumpet



## **Wildlife Ponds - Funding Available!**

Ponds are a cherished part of the parish landscape; familiar historic features found at the heart of most village centres and in the wider countryside. Sadly, due to changes in land use and agricultural practices, the UK has lost around 50% of ponds in the 20th Century. Those remaining are often threatened by pollution. This means the many species of plant and animal that rely on them are also under threat.

Excitingly, funding is now available in certain parts of Essex for the restoration and creation of clean water wildlife ponds capable of supporting great crested newts. The funding is part of Natural England's District Level Licencing scheme (DLL), a new strategy for compensating the loss of newt habitats, which seeks to provide new ponds and bigger, better, more joined-up habitat for this orange-bellied amphibian at a landscape scale.

In Essex there is a high demand for such wildlife ponds through the DLL scheme. Most of the 150 or so pond projects we have delivered to date have been fully funded under the scheme. You can view some of these projects at: [www.fwageast.org.uk/ponds](http://www.fwageast.org.uk/ponds).

We are seeking local farmers, smallholders, large rural garden owners, land-based businesses and parish-owned land to create and restore more such ponds. If you have a location in mind in your parish, please email [ponds@fwageast.org.uk](mailto:ponds@fwageast.org.uk) to receive further information or arrange an informal chat. Let's do something brilliant for wildlife!

### **A recently created farmland pond – Credit J McNaughton, FWAG East**



### **A recently restored parish pond - Credit J McNaughton, FWAG East**

# Platinum Jubilee Competition



As part of the village celebrations we are holding a competition to showcase the talents in the village. The categories include arts, crafts, horticulture, cookery and more – with something for everyone young and old!

Judging will take place on the morning of the village festival (Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June) with entries being displayed for everyone to view in the village hall.

For rules and how to enter please see the next pages.

If you would like to help with the judging please contact Mark on 07788 420198 / [mark@marksdomain.org.uk](mailto:mark@marksdomain.org.uk)

# Competition - Adult categories

## **Photography** (in printed format – 4” x 6” preferably)

- 1 Portrait
- 2 Village wildlife
- 3 Black and white
- 4 By the sea

## **Cookery**

- 5 Tray of shortbread
- 6 Fruit cake
- 7 Chocolate cake
- 8 Scones (x4)
- 9 Homemade jam (please specify flavour)

## **Arts / crafts / writing** (paintings / poems on max A4 size)

- 10 Knitted item – theme of festival
- 11 Pencil / charcoal sketch, or watercolour painting – theme of Royalty
- 12 Homemade bunting – theme of Jubilee (max 2m)
- 13 Poem on the theme of village life

## **Plants / horticulture**

- 14 Flower arrangement (max 30cm W/L by 40cm H) – theme of Jubilee
- 15 Home grown strawberries (x4)
- 16 Home grown potatoes (x3)
- 17 Selection of 3 home grown herbs



# Competition – Children's categories

## **Photography** (in printed format – 4" x 6")

- 18 Animals (wild animals or pets)
- 19 People or portraits

## **Cookery**

- 20 Decorated cup cakes (selection of 4)
- 21 Decorated biscuits (baked or bought)

## **Arts / crafts / writing** (paintings / poems / comics on max A4 size)

- 22 Picture of your favourite thing in Goldhanger
- 23 Model of a castle
- 24 Model of an animal (real or imaginary!)
- 25 Poem or song about a party or fete
- 26 Comic or cartoon story set in Goldhanger

## ***General notes:***

For the childrens categories, please remember to write their name and age alongside an adults contact details. A brief description to go with the entry would be most useful for our judges.

Whilst we will endeavour to look after your entries we can't guarantee they won't get damaged whilst on display – please bear this in mind when deciding to enter an item, and if possible use disposable containers for food items.

# Competition – rules

- Please put key information on all entries (see below for template). Either written on the back (e.g. photos) or securely attached to them.
- You may enter as many categories as you like.
- Entries must be dropped off at the village hall between **09:00 and 10:00** on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June. NB parking may be difficult during the festival setup. If you need to collect your item afterwards please mention this when dropping off.
- For edible items, once judged we may donate part of them to the cake stand for sale during the festival. Please specify on your form if you agree, and please list the ingredients for allergen purposes.
- Certificates will be awarded for each category winner, with an overall prize for "best in show / judges favourite"
- We may adjust the judging on the day based on the number of entries (eg split children's entries by age)
- Judges decisions will be final!

## *Example entry form template*

|                                                                         |  |                    |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------|
| <b>Category:</b>                                                        |  |                    |          |
| <b>Contact Name:</b>                                                    |  | <b>Phone:</b>      |          |
| <b>Childs Name:</b>                                                     |  | <b>Childs Age:</b> |          |
| Brief description or list of ingredients (for allergen purposes):       |  |                    |          |
| For food items, are you happy they are donated as part of the festival? |  |                    | YES / NO |

# **GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL**

## **CHAIRS REPORT**

**April 2022**

Last year our April meeting and general assembly was not held due to the Duke of Edinburgh statutory mourning period which cancelled all such meetings. Parish Council meetings which had been conducted via video conferencing throughout Covid continued until the temporary law allowing remote meetings ended during May and face to face meetings commenced in June.

### **1. Council Composition**

There has been no change to the Council composition, but we welcome a new Parish Clerk, Julie Webster to our 'team'.

Julia Bourn – Chair

Hugh Reynolds – Vice Chair

Michael Sargeant

Clive Cheeseman – Allotments officer

Stephen Ellis

Sarah Jane Holmes

Michael Bishop

Council meetings continue to be held on the second Wednesday of the month.

### **2. Planning**

There have been various applications for the council to consider and report their view to Maldon District Council, who make the decisions.

In addition, proposals for the local development plan update were available for public consultation and Cllr Sargeant reviewed these in great detail to make our Parish response as meaningful as possible. (applications upto March meeting included)  
(format:- address, details, GPC comments, MDC decision)

#### **New housing applications –.**

- 38 Maldon Road, demolish bungalow and build 2 semi detached dwellings. – Objected & refused
- 38 Maldon Road, (revised application) demolish bungalow and build 2 semi detached dwellings. – Objected & refused
- Gardeners farm, foundry barns. Barn conversion to 3 new dwellings – Objected and withdrawn
- Gardeners farm, foundry barns. (revised application) Barn conversion to 3 new dwellings – Objected and refused
- Gardeners farm, timber barns, Barn conversion to 2 new dwellings – Objected and withdrawn
- Gardeners farm, timber barns, (revised application) Barn conversion to 2 new dwellings – Objected and refused
- Fish Street, old allotments, (re-application) proposal for 3 new 4 bed houses – Objected and decision pending

**Extensions and Minor Works** comprised:

- 18 Head street, revised application for extensions – support & approved
- Old parsonage, 12 Head Street, rear extension - support & approved
- Rectory Cottage, Maldon Road, rear extensions and balcony - support & approved
- 35 church street, link building and modifications - support & approved
- 15 Peartree, side extension - support & approved
- 16 head street, rear extension - support & approved
- Vaulty Manor, replacement portico - no objection & approved
- Old pump house, 6 Head street, demolish garage. - support & approved
- Red hills, 16A Fish street, cart lodge - support & approved
- Blackwater Lodge, 15A Head street, replace dormers - support & approved
- 26 Head Street, single storey extension – support (decision pending)

**Miscellaneous** consisted of:

- (from 2021) Benham Close, Vary condition 11 (Footpath link to Maldon Road) on approved planning permission FUL/MAL/13/00839 – Objected & refused – not yet enforced.
- MDC served 2 TPOs to trees in the conservation area
- 4 tree work applications, inc WTPO - allowed to proceed.
- Hofflands, Vehicle access to adjacent land – no objection, Approved
- Longwick farm - Goldhanger reapplied to be consultees after being removed from consulting list. Various applications for expansion and demolition of farm house – not consulted, salt works approved, demolition of farmhouse refused and 2<sup>nd</sup> application approved.

**3. Highways**

While the current SID (speed indicating device) continues to limp along with much effort from Councillors who take the time to charge the batteries to keep SID working, a funding application has been made for a new device which we should hear about soon.

**Parking within the village**

Parking around the village is becoming more problematic year on year as the numbers of residents vehicles increases and the numbers of visitors also increases.

During last year residents local to the Nursery school in Church street asked for Parish Council assistance in tackling inconsiderate and dangerous parking by parents dropping of children at the nursery. The Parish Council entered into correspondence with the nursery and discussions with South Essex Parking Partnership (SEPP), however, there was insufficient support from residents to pursue additional parking restrictions (double yellow lines).

Parking patrols were booked for various locations in the village during busy periods and additional advice from the Essex Association for Local Councils (EALC) was to suggest residents write polite notes and leave on cars parked illegally, or inconsiderately. Bus cage markings have been applied for at the bus halt on Head street (near the junction with Maldon Road) to improve sight lines on the corner and to benefit residents.

Parking on the verge in front of the Moat development on Maldon road causes problems with sight lines pulling in and out of the development, Moat have been asked to review what can be done to improve the situation.



Parking at the bottom of Fish street is problematic when cars (typically visitors) block the access to the park gate (needed for grass cutting vehicles and emergency access to the seawall) and also park on double yellow lines, which can cause obstructions for larger traffic accessing the farm.

The Parish Council appeals to all residents and visitors to park legally and considerately.

### **Accidents**

Again this year we have seen a number of accidents in our Parish on the road between Wash Bridge and our boundary on the D'arcy side.

We remain keen to keep track of accidents, as this data is not held by any other parties. Collecting this data will give us an evidence base which we can call upon, should we request any safety improvement works in the future.

So please email myself or other Councillors details of any accidents you may see, you do not need to have witnessed the initial incident.

### **Bus stops**

The fencing around the bus stop in Head street was replaced and the damage sign was reported and replaced.

## **4. Playing Field, Woodland and Leisure**

MDC installed an information board at the head of the creek, following the official opening of the 'coastal path' route from Maldon to Salcot. New gates have been fitted to both the playing field and also Marigold Wood where you will soon see a new park bench and picnic table

A contractor has completed work repairing the village pump rising main which suffered unusual corrosion and perforation near the water line and failure of the non return valve.

### **Park and playground**

The Parish Council successfully applied for a grant towards the cost of repair works to the footpath along the side of the park to the seawall, which should be completed later this year when weather permits re-routing the path onto the field. Also, the slide has been replaced.

### **Coastal region**

The outfall beacon which had fallen over, likely due to corrosion, was reported and eventually replaced by the Environment agency.

### **Marigold Wood.**

Minor work was carried out on the woodland, to raise the canopy and thin out some of the trees as their size increases

A flowering cherry was donated and planted in memory of a much loved resident, Gwenda.

### **Allotments**

Councillor Clive Cheesman has continued to administer the allotments and if you are interested in having a plot, please contact him.

## **5. Neighbourhood Watch/Goldhanger Matters**

Malcolm Holmes with his team has continued to keep us all informed of the latest issues and circulated relevant Police crimes reports for the Maldon District, these have recently restarted after MDC had not issued any for some time.

Please see the Parish Magazine for further details and contact Malcolm (goldhangermatters@outlook.com) if you wish to receive emails.

Goldhanger Matters emails are also a way of keeping in touch with anything local, particularly at this time.

## **6. Precept**

The Parish Precept is a tax on each property to fund the activities the Parish Council undertakes for the benefit of the community and forms a very minor part of your total Council Tax charges. The Council Members work hard to keep this as low as possible by undertaking many tasks themselves.

Circa £7,000 pa is required to meet our recurring expenditure for our legal obligations associated with Parish assets. To allow for other projects considered desirable for the Parish the 22/23 precept was set at £10,000 ,

In view of our low turnover it is considered prudent to maintain one year's expenditure in reserve for the unexpected.

## **7. Defibrillators**

The village defibrillators continue to be monitored and maintained by volunteer councillors.

## **8. Maldon Road, Moat Development flooding**

I include the same paragraphs as last 2 years report, with a minor update!

*(2020)Maldon Road drain flooding/overflowing, during sustained rain or flash downpours, has been an issue for a number of years.*

some work was carried out on the drains in the verge in front of the moat development during 2021, but the Parish Council believe a blockage exists further downstream in the ditch system, so the situation will continue to be monitored and progressed where necessary.

*(2021)In the last few weeks after a year of accelerating our issues upward and finally to our local MP we have had some investigative works started by highways on various problem flood spots throughout the village.*

The investigative works were interrupted by more urgent issues and to date have not been completed!

### **Fish street flooding**

The surface water drains in Fish street have also been problematic for a long time and are included in the unfinished investigative works described above. In addition, the Parish Council have proactively investigated some of the drain routing and causes of the issues during 2021 and are chasing the relevant bodies for a resolution.

## **9. Website**

Thanks goes out to our host Christopher Smith for maintaining our website.

## **10. Speedwatch**

In January 2019 there was interest from the community in setting up a community speedwatch group for Goldhanger. We obtained the required number of volunteers, However due to various issues with the organisers, followed by covid we were told training had been delayed, time and time again.

Having enquired again in late 2021, we have been told that the previous organiser has left and there is no access to historical emails and so Goldhanger would need to re-apply to go back on the bottom of the waiting list.

As significant time has passed since the original volunteers came forward, I appreciate circumstances change and so I'm suggesting we start a fresh. If anyone is interested in being part of a community speed watch group please email the Parish Council Clerk.

## **11. Village Hall**

The Parish Council have continued to support the village hall during this difficult time and have also recently contributed funds towards the kitchen refurbishment project.

## **12. Fibre broadband**

Fibre broadband was rolled out late 2021 and provided the improved infrastructure needed, particularly by those who require the faster speeds to make working from home or hybrid working possible and generally for families that need greater speeds for streaming services etc

## **13. Jubilee**

Preparations have been underway for the village celebrations of the Queens Platinum Jubilee, and after these difficult couple of years of dealing with Covid, we are looking forward to a real community event, and encourage everyone to get involved in the events. Goldhanger has a terrific community and these events bring everyone together.

I would like to thank Julie, our Clerk, for her service supporting and guiding us, and all Councillors for their dedicated work which enables us to continue to minimise the precept.

J Bourn

Chair - Goldhanger Parish Council

## **GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL**

**Notes of the meeting held on the 13th April 2022. Full minutes can be viewed on the website or village noticeboard once they have been approved at the next**

**Parish Council Meeting**

**[www.parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk](http://www.parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk)**

**[clerk.gpc@outlook.com](mailto:clerk.gpc@outlook.com)**

### **Decisions**

22/000087 26 Head Street - Remove walled courtyard and replace with a flat roofed single storey extension to the rear/side Approved

### **Applications**

22/00142 41 Fish Street T1 Oak Reduction in height and sides by up to 2 metres and the removal of deadwood - Supported by GPC

22/00221 North Maldon Growers Ltd, Little Totham Road - The erection of a steel portal framed building for storage or produce grown by North Maldon Growers Ltd  
GPC raised no objection but commented tha the Little Totham Road drainage system crosses/is adjacent to the Works and in view of the increased run off improvements to the existing system should be made

22/00406 Land adjacent to 6 Church Street - Erection of a detached dwelling. Objected by GPC see Maldon Planning Portal

22/00411 Tilly Hill Bakers Green First Floor rear extension and cart lodge Supported by GPC

22/00446 The Old Pump House 6 Head Street Demolition of redundant structures to existing outbuildings and its conversion in habitable accommodation. Supported by GPC

### **Highways**

- Vegetation growth in Maldon Road needs addressing and the Clerk was requested to contact the Rangers for assistance
- A Grant for SID and Solar Panels had been applied for
- Four residents had come had come forward to form a Speedwatch group, at least 10 are required if this is to go ahead. A further advert would be put in the Parish Mag.
- A resident was in the process of writing to the Highways Director re flooding and draining issues in Fish Street
- There had been parking issues at The Moat Houses and a letter had been sent to Moat Housing to try and remedy this

### **Correspondence**

- Funded Pond Conservation Project - this would be forwarded to parishoners by way of the Parish Magazine

### **Marigold Wood**

- Picnic table and seat are now in situ.

### Village Pump

- Outstanding work on the Village pump had now been completed

### Bus shelters and defibrillators

- A timetable would be put up at the bus stop in Head Street

### Queens Platinum Jubilee

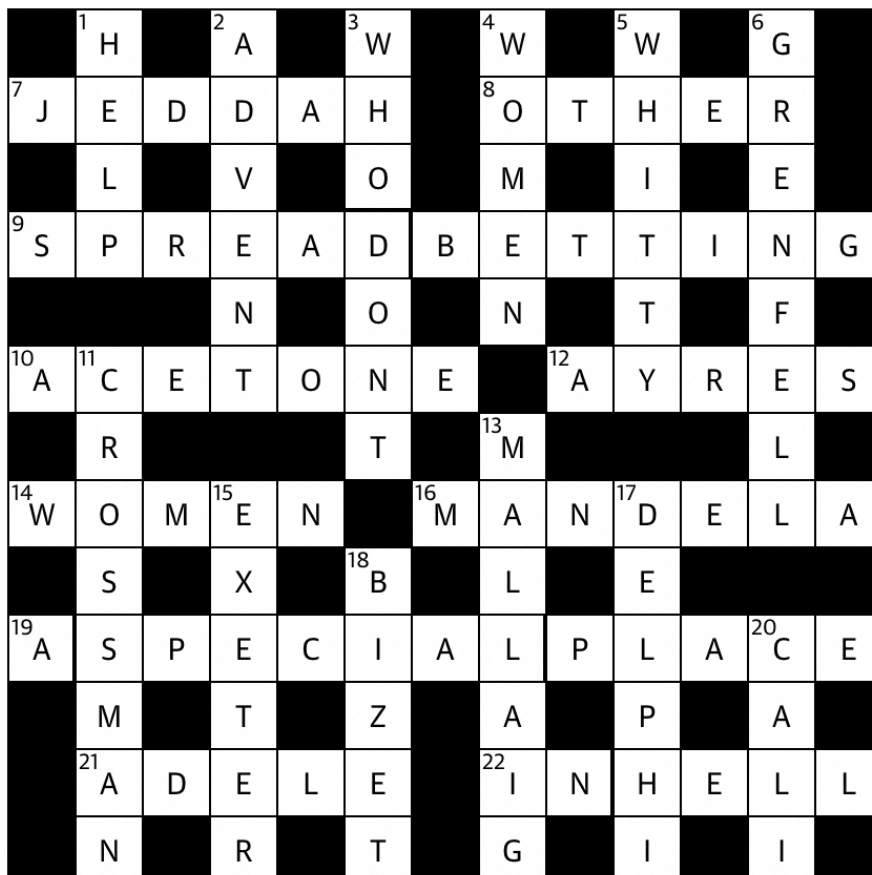
- Cllr Bishop informed the Council of the progress that had been made with the various events that were being planned. Cllr Bishop was thanked for all the hard work in pulling this event together and Cllr Bishop sung the praises of the volunteer team.
- Cllr Ellis offered to take forward the supplying of a floral exhibit for the Platinum Jubilee at the Church

### Allotments

Cllr Cheesman advised that allotment costs will increase by £2 per plot. Information regarding this has been put in the village noticeboard

Litter bin liner has been damaged at the Village Hall and cllrs will be looking at how to remedy this.

Next meeting 11th May Annual Council Meeting



Answers to crossword in  
April issue





# Goldhanger Village Hall Film Club



## Wed 18th May

Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start

**PLEASE BOOK IN ADVANCE & PAY ON THE DOOR**

**£6**  
per person

Booking Contacts

**Debbie 01621 788709**

**Jill 07734 069609**

**[jillcrooks66@icloud.com](mailto:jillcrooks66@icloud.com)**

plenty of parking behind the hall

**Next Film:**

The Duke - Wed 15th June

Proceeds in support of the  
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## Goldhanger Village Hall

### “Jubilee Celebrations Remembered”

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 7pm for 7:30pm

Goldhanger has had a long tradition of celebrating royal weddings and jubilees. Join us for an evening of historic celebrations when the History Group will unveil the archives of newspaper articles and photos that take us back as far as the 1887 Jubilee of Queen Victoria.

During the evening we will be showing colour videos from our last three Jubilee celebrations...

1977



2002



2012



There'll be short video clips from the actual royal weddings, photos from the archives and additional background information.

**Please book in advance and pay £3 on the door**

Jill Crooks [jillcrooks66@icloud.com](mailto:jillcrooks66@icloud.com) / 07734 069609

or David Newman 01621 788657

**Bring your own drinks / glasses and nibbles**

*Funds in support of the Village Hall*



## Help for people from Ukraine and their sponsors

There is a lot happening locally with people welcoming family members through the Ukraine Family Scheme and also hosting visitors as part of the Ukraine Sponsorship Scheme. At the time of writing there are 29 confirmed matches of sponsors and guest families within the Maldon District.

Good networks are building up within our towns and villages of people preparing to welcome guests to their homes as they work out the practicalities, including visa applications, having their homes checked by Maldon District Council and finding schools. Through social media and attending meetings we are aware of many offers of wider support for families when they arrive including help with translation, language lessons, social groups, and sports and activities for the children.

The Migrant and Refugee Community Hub will have had its first meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> April at the Fullbridge Church in Heybridge. Information packs, local to the Maldon District, in both Ukrainian and English are being produced to cover many of the issues likely to arise.

Citizens Advice have information on their public website which is constantly updated and will be helpful to either the hosts or visitors.

Offering to let someone from Ukraine stay with you <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/immigration/offering-to-let-someone-from-ukraine-stay-with-you/>

Bringing family members from Ukraine to the UK  
<https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/immigration/bringing-family-members-from-ukraine-to-the-uk/>

Advisers within Citizens Advice have access to more detailed information than on the public site, so if you have any queries, please do get in touch.

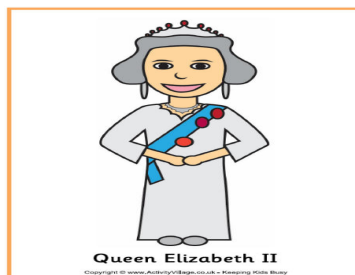
We can help with understanding the benefit system and special rules which have been put in place and, as well as giving advice, can help with making benefit applications.

We look forward to hearing from you about this, or any other issue.

- Telephone: 01621 875774, leave a message and an adviser will return your call
- Email: [bureau@maldoncab.cabnet.org.uk](mailto:bureau@maldoncab.cabnet.org.uk)
- Drop in: Monday 10-12 The Surgery, Bentalls Centre, Heybridge (in the car park opposite Asda)
- Appointments can then be made in our main, Maldon, offices for further advice if this is appropriate.

1952 ----- Celebration of ----- 2022  
The Platinum Jubilee of  
H M Queen Elizabeth 11

Join in fun four days 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> June



**GOLDHANGER**  
**Scarecrow Competition**

Make a Scarecrow the Theme is "Queens"

Use your imagination "Think 'Queen' not just Royalty"

Queen Of  
Hearts

Queen  
Victoria

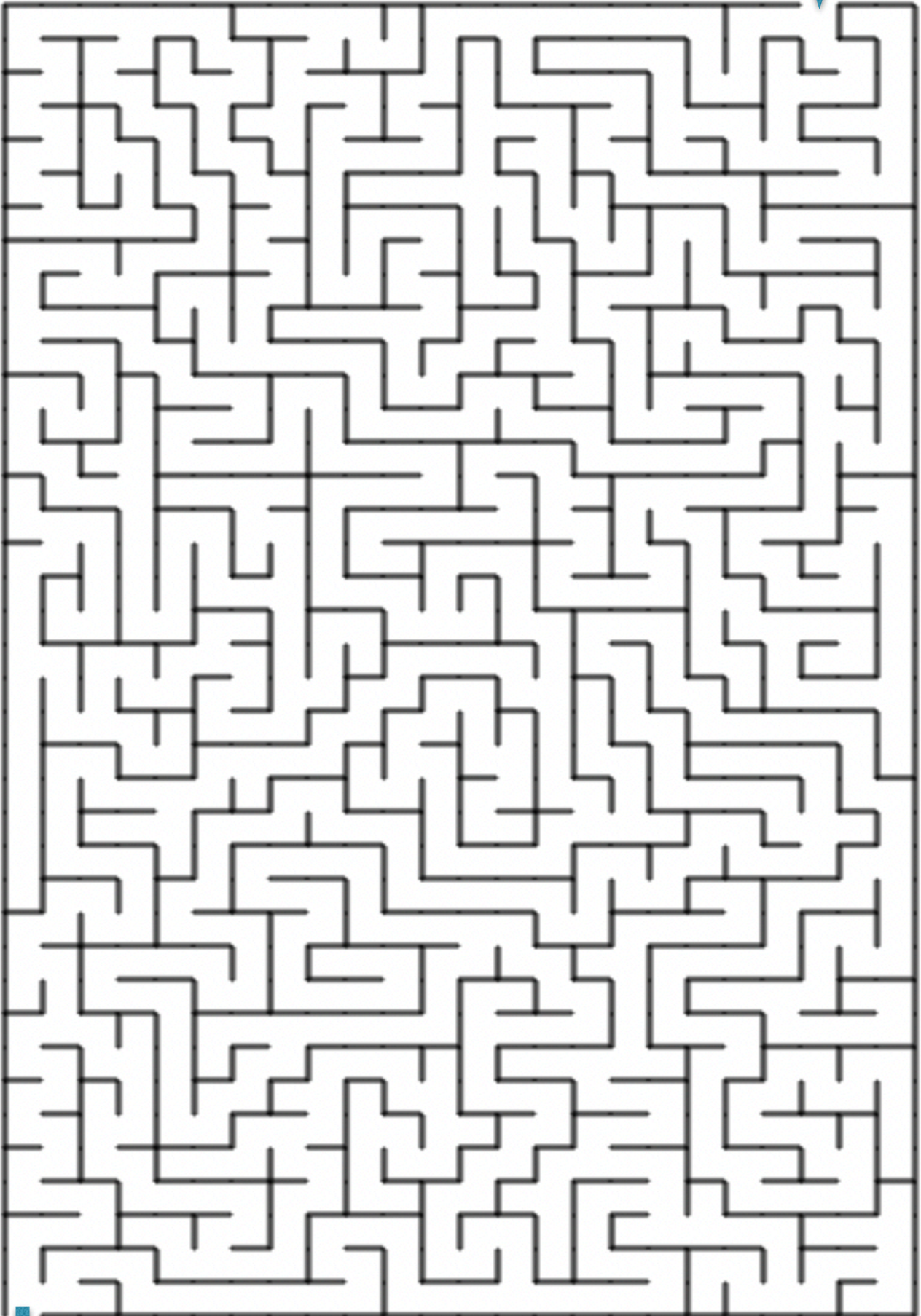
Queen  
Bee

Display your entry in front of your home -  
judging will take place at 2.00 pm on  
Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

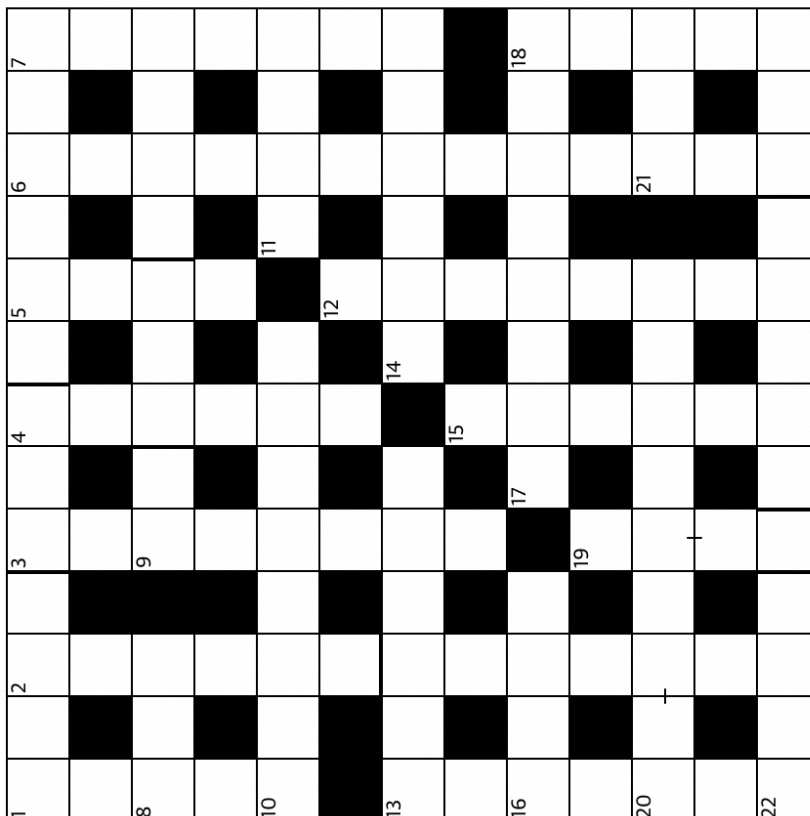


# Feeling lost?

Can you find your way through the maze?







## Across

- 1 Perfect! (4,3,6)  
 8 Gaelic surname prefix (3)  
 9 In flight (2,3,4)  
 10 Desire (8)  
 11 Eh? (4)  
 13 Seal — prestige (6)  
 14 Aprons (anag) — service provider? (6)  
 16 Dilapidated building (4)  
 17 Cain was the first! (8)  
 20 Decision requiring little thought (2-7)  
 21 Lair (3)  
 22 Pretend not to notice (4,1,5,3)

## Down

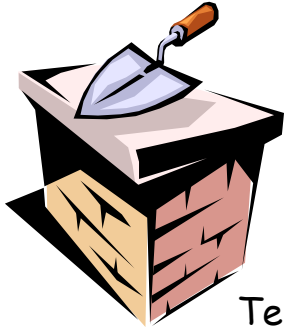
- 1 Lucky (informal) (5)  
 2 One seeking higher status (6,7)  
 3 Thrashed (8)  
 4 Still alive (6)  
 5 Notion (4)  
 6 London area south of Hyde Park (13)  
 7 Make more secure (7)  
 12 Chinese language (8)  
 13 Small crown (7)  
 15 Underground passage (6)  
 18 Enclosed kitchen fireplace (5)  
 19 Concealed ditch in landscape gardening (2-2)

## Online games and puzzles to keep you amused

Online games and puzzles: <https://www.games.co.uk/games/puzzle>

Online jigsaw puzzles: <https://www.jigsawplanet.com/>

Online brainteasers, maths puzzles, word games, sudokus and memory games: <https://www.mindgames.com/>



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Your Local Fitter**

**Choose at Home  
Re- fits also undertaken  
No Job Too Small  
Free Estimates**

**Very Reliable 25 Years Experience**

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# Goldhanger Village Hall Festival on The Field Saturday 4th June



- 09:00 -10:00 Competition entries to Village Hall  
10:00 -12:00 Judging  
12:30 Festival opens, competition displays in the hall  
13:00 -16:00 Live music



We have a bevy of musical talent lined up, bring a picnic and relax into the afternoon. Competition displays, ice cream van, hot food, drinks tent, games and children's activities, raffle, tombola, Marigold Wood nature quiz.....and much, much more!



## HELP NEEDED PLEASE

Judging competitions, help on stalls, garden gazebos we can borrow, donations for tombola (adults & kids) and raffle prizes  
contact Jill Crooks or Mark Gardner

**[jillcrooks66@icloud.com](mailto:jillcrooks66@icloud.com) / [mark@marksdomain.org.uk](mailto:mark@marksdomain.org.uk)**

Funds in aid of the Village Hall kitchen improvements

# Goldhanger Sailing Club Platinum Jubilee Party

**Thursday 2nd June 2022**

**12 - 6pm**

Limited tickets  
available - don't  
leave it too late

Opening ceremony at 12pm

**Best Crown Competition**

Sea Shanty Choir   Hog Roast   Music   Raffle

Bar with wine and beer

Sail past at 3pm

**£10 per person**

Price includes a voucher for the hog roast served in a soft roll with crackling, apple sauce, stuffing, salads and dessert. Vegetarian options also available. Provide dietary requirements on booking.

**Tickets must be purchased in advance from Jenny Brown-Lee 01621 788145 or email [gscevents@hotmail.com](mailto:gscevents@hotmail.com)**







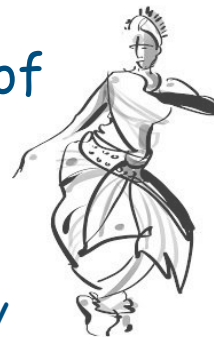
**YOU'RE INVITED!**

**The BIG Jubilee Lunch**  
**Padmalayam**  
**Church Street, Goldhanger**  
**Sunday 5th June, 12-5pm**

A wonderful grand finale  
of our village celebrations for  
HM The Queens Platinum Jubilee



Indian buffet lunch with choices of  
starters, mains and desserts  
Indian music and dances



A FREE but ticketed event organised by  
our very generous host Dr. Killy

Bookings now being taken  
contact: [Jillcrooks66@icloud.com](mailto:Jillcrooks66@icloud.com), 07734 069609  
please state number of tickets and dietary  
requirements (vegetarian, vegan, any allergies etc.)

friendship, food and fun.....  
everyone's invited!



# Children's Pages

## Children's Quiz

1. What colour are sapphires?
2. What is the coloured part of the eye that surrounds the pupil?
3. In which country are the Pyramids of Giza?
4. How many teeth should an adult have including their wisdom teeth?
5. What are the three primary colours?
6. What are the two longest rivers in the world?
7. Of which country is Brussels the capital?
8. What is a group of kangaroos called?
9. Which famous building did Guy Fawkes try to blow up?
10. What is the smallest ocean in the world?

*Answers on page 55*



I made a belt out of watches once... It was a waist of time.



### DID YOU KNOW?

In New Delhi, the Sulabh International Museum Of Toilets features a rare collection that details the historic evolution of toilets from 2500 BC all the way up to the present day.



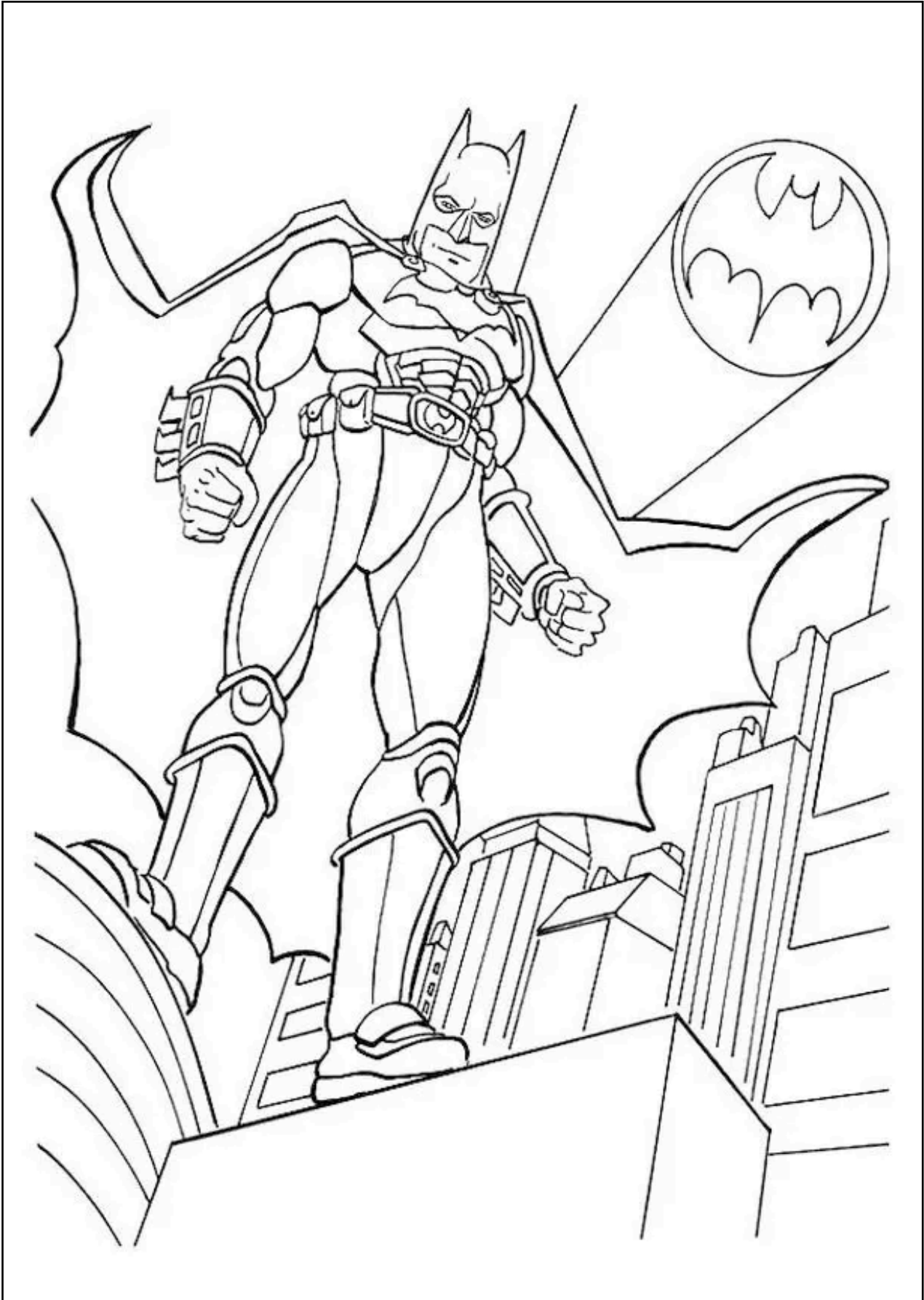
Q: What word is pronounced the same if you take away four of its five letters?

A: Queue

# Children's Pages

(Adults can join in too)

Get your colouring pencils out



# Recipe of the month

## Mexican bean stew

Preparation time: less than 30 mins

Cooking time: 30 mins to 1 hour

Serves 2



### Ingredients

- 1 onion, thinly sliced
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 1 yellow pepper, deseeded and cut into 3cm/1in chunks
- ½ tsp hot chilli powder
- 1 tsp ground cumin
- 1 tsp ground coriander
- 400g tin chopped tomatoes
- 2 tbsp tomato purée
- 400g tin mixed beans, drained and rinsed
- 100g/3½oz Greek yoghurt, to serve
- 1 lime, cut into wedges, to serve
- salt and freshly ground black pepper

### Method

1. Add oil and place over a medium heat. Add the onion and garlic and cook gently for three minutes, stirring regularly. Add the pepper and cook for two minutes.
2. Stir in the spices and cook for a few seconds, then add the tomatoes, tomato purée and mixed beans. Pour over 300ml/ 10fl oz cold water and bring to a gentle simmer. Season with a little salt and lots of ground black pepper and cook for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally until thick.
3. Cook the rice
4. Serve with the rice and lime wedges.

## Ministry Team Message for May

As I write this towards the end of March the weather has become warm and sunny and nature, taking the hint, is bursting forth with new growth. The earth and plants have been dormant through the winter, they have awakened with lengthening hours of daylight and warmer temperatures. (Snow is forecast for tomorrow!)

By the time you read this in May the fields surrounding us will have crops growing strongly as will allotments and gardens. May is a time when one can walk out into the countryside and really appreciate all that God does for us. As it says in Genesis 'God saw that it was good'. We should see that too!

May has one of the four agricultural festivals, Rogation tide. It is traditionally a time when the church asks God's blessing on the land and farms, praying for a good harvest to provide food that would last through the year.

Rogationtide starts on Rogation Sunday, which is the fifth Sunday after Easter just before Ascension Day. It takes place in the springtime, when there is an awakening of the earth with plants and animals moving through their annual reproductive cycle. Renewing their species for the future. It also falls into the Easter cycle, the season of resurrection. Renewal and resurrection go together.

Many churches will take their services outside on Rogation Sunday for a Parish walk stopping at various places to ask God's blessing on farms, the food produced, farmers and all who work in the countryside.

But is that all we should ask for? Perhaps we should include:

Asking for a reconnection between nature and humankind.

Thanking God that He has given us enquiring minds so that we can appreciate the balance of nature and are able to recognise when we may have taken steps in the wrong direction and the ability to reverse the harm done.

Reflecting on our part in managing the earth. In the Bible we are told that humankind will have "Dominion" over the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, the cattle, the wild animals, and the reptiles, the plants bearing seed, the trees bearing fruit, the green plants. Perhaps "dominion" is a bit outdated, stewards or managers are words which more accurately reflect humankind's part in managing the earth. We should be striving to pass the earth on to the next generation in a better condition than when we received it from our ancestors.

Stopping to pray outside a local pub, giving thanks for hospitality and friendships.

Praying outside a local school or nursery, praying for the staff and children.

Stopping to pray at the Village or Parish Hall, giving thanks for the volunteers who run it and the organisations who use it.

Remember, 'the Earth is the Lord's and all that is in it', (Psalm 24).

We are simply the temporary tenants and stewards.

George Bunting,

Authorised Local Preacher, St Peter Goldhanger

## Mobile Library dates & times

| Dates               | Location          | Stop name                    | Arrives      | Leaves       |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>2022</b>         | Ulting            | Doe's Corner                 | 9:40         | 9:55         |
| <b>11 May 2022</b>  | Ulting            | Ulting Lane/Water Co. Houses | 10:00        | 10:15        |
| <b>01 June 2022</b> | Heybridge         | Colne House                  | 10:45        | 11:15        |
|                     | 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        |
|                     | <b>Goldhanger</b> | <b>Village Hall</b>          | <b>13:10</b> | <b>13:40</b> |
|                     | Heybridge         | Plantation Hall              | 14:45        | 15:15        |
|                     | Langford          | Little Hills                 | 15:30        | 16:00        |

### What goes where?



### Essex Police Contacts

#### Call 999 (emergency) if:

- A crime is in progress
- Person suspected of a crime nearby
- There is a danger to life
- Violence is being used or threatened

**Call 101 for any non-emergency contact with the Police.** This number covers all of England and Wales but you get the option to speak to Essex Police. Alternatively you can report a crime and more at <https://www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/>

**The Goldhanger Neighbourhood Watch** email system is free & confidential. It sends emails with information & advice on current issues in the village. Contact [goldhangernw@outlook.com](mailto:goldhangernw@outlook.com) for more information.

### Crimestoppers

0800 555 111

You can contact them anonymously with information about crime

**Our collection day is Friday;  
Landfill and Recycling on alternate weeks.**



## Answers to Children's Quiz on page 50

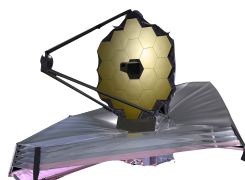
1. Blue
2. Iris
3. Egypt
4. 32
5. Blue, red and yellow
6. Amazon and the Nile
7. Belgium
8. Mob
9. The Houses of Parliament
10. Arctic

## Website of the Month

Your editors present a quirky, interesting, surprising or who-knows-what web site that may be of interest. Hand-curated by your intrepid cybernaut navigators Chris and Stephen 😊

<https://jwst.nasa.gov>

The fanfare may have died down but the amazing James Webb telescope is still doing its thing out there.



# Move along

# Nothing

# To

# See

# Here

## Oven temperature conversions

| Centigrade | Farenheit | Gas Mark |
|------------|-----------|----------|
| 140°C      | 275°F     | 1        |
| 150°C      | 300°F     | 2        |
| 160°C      | 325°F     | 3        |
| 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        |

# BUS TIMETABLE

## Monday to Friday

| <b>95 Tollesbury to Maldon</b>   | Hedingham Omnibus |             |             |             |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| TOLLESBURY The Square            | 0735              | 0920        | 1130        | 1430        | 1605        |
| TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School         | 0740              | 0925        | 1135        | 1435        | 1610        |
| <b>GOLDHANGER Square</b>         | <b>0745</b>       | <b>0930</b> | <b>1140</b> | <b>1440</b> | <b>1615</b> |
| 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        |
| <b>95 Maldon to Tollesbury</b>   | Hedingham Omnibus |             |             |             |             |
| 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        |
| <b>GOLDHANGER Square</b>         | <b>0853</b>       | <b>1108</b> | <b>1318</b> | <b>1548</b> | <b>1713</b> |
| TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School         | 0858              | 1113        | 1323        | 1553        | 1718        |
| TOLLESBURY The Square            | 0903              | 1118        | 1328        | 1558        | 1723        |

### The Blackwater Link - 90

Runs from Morrisons in Maldon to Witham Ebenezer Close (passes Witham Station)  
Take the 95 to Bentalls and pick up the 90 there.

For more details contact 01702-541511

# BUS TIMETABLE

## Saturday

| <b>95 Tollesbury to Maldon</b>   | Hedingham Omnibus |             |             |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| TOLLESBURY The Square            | 0900              | 1100        | 1300        | 1440        |
| TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School         | 0905              | 1105        | 1305        | 1445        |
| <b>GOLDHANGER Square</b>         | <b>0910</b>       | <b>1110</b> | <b>1310</b> | <b>1450</b> |
| 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        |
| <b>95 Maldon to Tollesbury</b>   | 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        |
| <b>GOLDHANGER Square</b>         | <b>1025</b>       | <b>1225</b> | <b>1425</b> | <b>1655</b> |
| TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School         | 1030              | 1230        | 1430        | 1700        |
| TOLLESBURY The Square            | 1035              | 1235        | 1435        | 1705        |

### Hedingham Omnibuses:

01206 769778  
[www.hedingham.co.uk](http://www.hedingham.co.uk)

### Stephenson's Buses:

For the Blackwater Link - 90  
01702 541511 (0900-1730)  
[www.stephensonsofsex.com](http://www.stephensonsofsex.com)

## Universal Credit helpline

**Telephone: 0800 328 5644**

*Please only use this number if you are unable to claim online*

Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm

## Key websites

GOV.UK is the primary site for all the key information to support individuals, businesses and other organisations. Here is a link to the dedicated pages [GOV.UK: Coronavirus](#), which includes information on how to stay safe.

DWP's employment and benefits support

The [Employment and benefits support website](#) includes the latest guidance and messages on sick pay, existing benefit claims, new claims to benefit, self-employment, housing and more.

## Touchbase

[Register](#) to receive the DWP Newsletter – Touchbase which is sent out each week to keep you up to date on changes.

## Coronavirus business hub

[The business hub on GOV.UK](#) is the first point of call for people seeking government information on support for business.

## HMRC Help and Support

Employers in particular may wish to [register to receive help and support emails from HMRC](#). Individuals and businesses can sign up to receive email alerts about a range of help and support products that are available. These include live and recorded webinars, YouTube videos and online guides.

## **COVID-19 - Goldhanger Parish Council**

The situation and advice continues to change, so please check government websites, for the latest information. You cannot rely on what you read on Social Media, you should always verify information yourself from a trusted source.

Goldhanger Parish Council website <http://parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk> has links to the advice from Essex County Council, and a facebook page link to Essex coronavirus action.

There is further help available from:

Essex Adult Social Care 0345 603 7630 (08:45-16:30)

[socialcaredirect@essex.gov.uk](mailto:socialcaredirect@essex.gov.uk)

[facebook.com/essexcoronavirusaction](https://facebook.com/essexcoronavirusaction)

[twitter.com/essexaction](https://twitter.com/essexaction)

The Goldhanger village notice boards will be updated with advice and information regularly.

If you need to contact the Parish council please refer to the contact details at the front of the Parish magazine or on the Goldhanger Parish Council website.

## **Advertise Here**

**Contact:**

**[advertising@goldhanger.org.uk](mailto:advertising@goldhanger.org.uk)**

### **Web Advertising**

**If you would like your advert included on the Goldhanger website, please contact us. It's pretty cheap for a year.**

**All advertising (including For Sale and Wanted) needs to be in by midnight on the 13th of the month please.**



## HEALTH

|                                                      |              |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Blackwater Medical Centre                            | 876760       |
| Longfield Medical Centre                             | 876433       |
| Tollesbury Surgery                                   | 869204       |
| St Peter's Hospital <i>NHS</i> (Maldon - no A&E)     | 725323       |
| Broomfield Hospital <i>NHS</i> (Chelmsford, has A&E) | 01245 362000 |
| Colchester General Hospital <i>NHS</i> (has A&E)     | 01206 747474 |
| NHS Advice (non-emergency)                           | 111          |

I may or I may not, I'm not sure really.



## LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICES

|                              |                                                 |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Maldon District Council      | 854477                                          |
| Job Centre Chelmsford        | 0845 606 0234                                   |
| Local Police (non-emergency) | 101 ( <i>puts you through to Essex Police</i> ) |

## HELP & ADVICE

|                                               |                                                 |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Maldon Citizens Advice Bureau                 | 841195                                          |
| Social Services                               | 08457 430 430                                   |
| Victim Support (charity for victims of crime) | 08 08 16 89 111                                 |
| Women's Aid                                   | 01245 493114                                    |
| Alcoholics Anonymous                          | 01904 644026                                    |
| Childline                                     | 0800 1111                                       |
| The Samaritans                                | 0345 909090                                     |
| Salvation Army                                | 853942                                          |
| Gingerbread (Charity for single parents)      | 01245 352708                                    |
| Outhouse East (LGBT Charity)                  | 0345 123 23 88 ( <i>7pm-10pm weekdays</i> )     |
| National Domestic Abuse/Violence Helpline     | 0808 2000 247 ( <i>open 24 hrs, every day</i> ) |

## ELECTRICITY & WATER

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| UK Power Networks               | 0800 783 8838 |
| Anglian Water (Sewage flooding) | 03457 145 145 |
| Essex & Suffolk Water           | 0345 782 0999 |

## TRAVEL

|                              |                        |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| National Rail Enquiries      | 0845 748 4950          |
| Hedingham Omnibuses Ltd      | 01206 769778 or 564581 |
| Regal Busways                | 01245 249001           |
| First Eastern National Buses | 0845 678 2977          |
| Bus Station Chelmsford       | <b>01245 263859</b>    |
| Bus Station Colchester       | 01206 572478           |
| Stansted Airport             | 0844 335 1803          |

## SPORTS CENTRES

|                           |               |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Blackwater Leisure Centre | 851898        |
| Witham Leisure Centre     | 0845 260 1535 |