



The Goldhanger Parish Rooms

128 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 April, and advertising (including For Sale and Wanted) by midnight on the 13th of April please. Please contact the editors if you have any questions about your article.

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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.

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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The Parish Rooms

A single "Parish Room" was built in the early 1900s by the then Rector, the Revd. Frederick Gardner, and was located in the grounds of The Parsonage, between No's 10 & 12 Head Street.

The Revd. Gardner bought No 12 in 1906 from the estate of his predecessor, the Revd. Charles Leigh when twenty of his Goldhanger properties were put up for sale. He re-named it "The Parsonage", installed his curates there, and had the Parish Room built next door. It originally provided a reading room for residents and was initially known as the "Church Room" and later as the "Parish Hall".

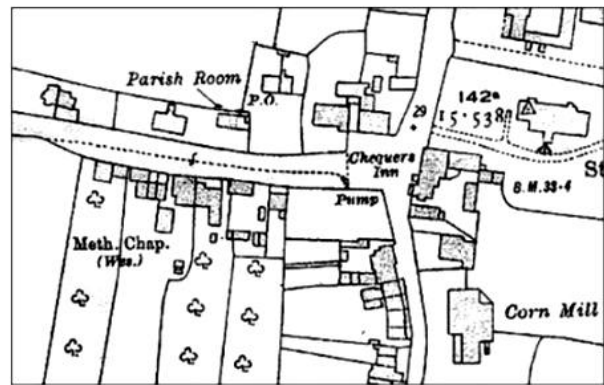


This 1930s postcard scene shows the small building to the right of the parsonage.

A reason for its demolition in 1980 was that it had started to lean over, giving it a not unattractive appearance of a much older building which, together with its beamed gable and leaded windows, looked like one of the leaning buildings at Lavenham. It developed the lean because it was built on the site of a previous "Smithy" which had an ancient saw-pit. Here are extracts from early maps that show the Smithy and then the Parish Room...



1900 map



1922 map

The name changed to "Parish Rooms" after a second small room was built at the rear to accommodate a full size snooker table, which was donated by a local benefactor. After the extension was completed, it was discovered that the law required a rear fire exit, so a door was added but with no route to the road available it always opened straight onto a brick wall.

The many uses of the Parish Rooms included: Mothers Union and Women's Institute meetings, the Goldhanger Players, village dances, the Fire Warden's centre during WW-2, and the Youth Club. In 1937 the much larger Village Hall opened and from then on the Parish Rooms were used mainly by the Youth Club.

The loss of the Parish Rooms also meant the loss of a section of the Goldhanger ancient red brick walls including an attractive curved entrance to the building that was, and still are a significant feature of the village.

for more about lost village features search for: *goldhanger past lost*

David Newman [www.churchside1.plus.com/Goldhanger-past/Goldhanger Lost.htm](http://www.churchside1.plus.com/Goldhanger-past/Goldhanger%20Lost.htm)

Goldhanger Village Hall



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

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See [Village Hall Calendar](#) for more details of events.



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Parish Council second Wednesday of the month 7:30-9:30pm

Art Club second Thursday of the month 2-4pm

Catherine 01621 788488, <http://goldhangerartclub.co.uk>

Carpet Bowls alternate Fridays, 1:45-4pm

Film Club third Wednesday of the month, doors open 7pm, film 7:30pm

see advert for details

Village Hall Bookings

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

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Community Page

Goldhanger Sailing Club www.goldhangersailingclub.org.uk

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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

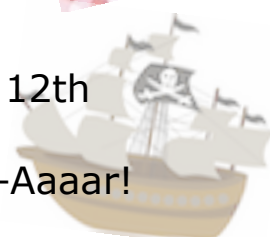
For Parents and toddlers. Last Wednesday of the month in term time. St. Peter's Church.



Shanties in the Pub

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!



GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL
New website: www.parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk/
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VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

As we move into 2023, the village hall committee have ideas for the continued updating of our lovely hall and surroundings.

To this extent the next major projects will be

Replacing the kitchen ** Decorating the main hall

We would love to hear from anyone in the village who might be interested in getting onboard to help us in any way. Initially we will be looking at kitchen designs, budget and funding. Any experience, whether work within your own home or as a job, could help us out with this project.

You don't need to join the VH committee to help with this – just get in touch with Anton 788538 or any member of the committee for a chat.

We will be having a spring work party to tidy up the surroundings so if you would like to help, contact us with your telephone number and we will advise you of the date when known.

If you are interested in joining our committee then please contact Anton. We have quarterly general committee meetings with the occasional meeting of a sub-committee so not too onerous.

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Parish Council meetings are usually every 2nd Wednesday of the month and start at 7.30pm

(Check the Village Hall website or notice board in the square for any changes to usual dates.)

These bags are also available at other locations like the library, and information is on the Maldon District Website.

Many thanks
Julia Bourn - GPC Chair



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Goldhanger Church Services

Sunday 2nd April Palm Sunday

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

Thursday 6th April Maundy Thursday

7.00pm Symbolic Passover Meal and Stripping the church

Friday 7th April Good Friday

10.00am Stations of the Cross

Sunday 9th April Easter Day

10.30am Easter Family Communion with the Easter Ceremonies

Sunday 16th April Low Sunday (Easter 2)

9.30am Parish Communion (BCP)

Sunday 23rd April Easter 3 / St George

9.30am Parish Communion

Sunday 30th April Easter 4 / Vocations Sunday

10.00am Benefice Communion at St Peter's, Great Totham (No service at Goldhanger)

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 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, for any queries or help.

Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen

Archbishop Justin Welby
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

St. Peter's Church Goldhanger

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(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)		
Church flowers	Mrs Elaine Clark	788686 elaclark@me.com

* 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

Flags for April

Sunday 9th April



Easter Day

Sunday 23rd April



St Georges Day



**St. Peter's Church
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Saturday May 27th
Saturday July 29th
Saturday August 26th**

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Rhyming Pairs - a bit of fun

All answers consist of two rhyming words.

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|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Plump feline Fat cat | 16. Irate superior |
| 2. Unhappy youth | 17. Squander the glue |
| 3. Comical rabbit | 18. 3-legged ass |
| 4. Royal bird of prey | 19. Cash for bee product |
| 5. Bloodthirsty tale | 20. Well-cut grass |
| 6. Overweight taxi-driver | 21. Quick "Hello" |
| 7. Blond locks | 22. Clever grandmother |
| 8. Light-hearted jog | 23. Fed-up peer |
| 9. Correct Tory | 24. Young lady from Zurich |
| 10. Police station | 25. Blackberry-pickers walk |
| 11. Sooty's spell words | 26. Birmingham mother |
| 12. Cellar fuel store | 27. Hard-working queen |
| 13. Good vintage | 28. Argument over bracelet |
| 14. Classroom law | 29. Sainly keeper |
| 15. Intellect down plughole | 30. Liverpool rodent |

Answers on page 30

Easter Flowers

We shall have Lilies in church at Easter in memory of those we have loved. If you would like to make a donation it would be much appreciated.



Easter Garden

We shall be making the Easter Garden during the week before Easter. Children if you would like to help with the flowers on Easter Saturday morning please come along at about 10.30 either with your own small posy or help us with our flowers.



Elaine 788686

World Book Day 2023



I got out of bed this morning
And the world felt rather odd
Was I awake and feeling strange
Or still in the land of nod?
I slid my feet into my shoes
And set off down the stairs
But half-way down I heard a roar
Was it lions or was it bears?
But no, it was the GRUFFALO
And he looked very sad,
“I want to be more pretty
Then the kids won’t think I’m bad.”
“I have,” I said “just what you need
Here, slip your feet in these, Love”
I gave him my pink, high heeled shoes
“They fit you like a glove, Love.
Now you’re a pretty GRUFFALO
You’ve joined the party set.
Perhaps you need a better name
You’re now a GRUFFALETTE!”

~ Margaret Salmon





Goldhanger Village Hall Committee
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Saturday 13th May
Goldhanger Village Hall



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Contact **Jill 788738** or **Debbie 788709**

jillcrooks66@icloud.com



In aid of the Village Hall Kitchen Improvement Project



The background of the entire page is a photograph of two women singing outdoors. The woman on the left is in the foreground, her face partially visible in profile as she sings with her eyes closed. The woman on the right is slightly behind her, also singing and wearing glasses. They are both wearing blue patterned tops. The background shows green foliage.

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Goldhanger Village Hall Film Club



Wed 19th April

Overwhelmed at work and lonely at home, a civil servant's life takes a heartbreaking turn when a medical diagnosis tells him his time is short. Influenced by a local decadent and a vibrant woman, he continues to search for meaning until a simple revelation gives him a purpose to create a legacy for the next generation.

Doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start

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**Next Film - 17th May
to be confirmed**

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Maldon District Residents Need Photo ID To Vote At Elections On 4 May 2023

For the first time, residents in Maldon District will need to show **photographic ID** to vote at this year's local elections. Residents are being urged to make sure they are ready to vote in May by checking they have an accepted form of ID.

Accepted forms of ID include a UK, European Economic Area (EEA) or Commonwealth passport; a UK, EEA, or Commonwealth drivers' licence; and some concessionary travel passes, such as an older person's bus pass or an Oyster 60+ card. Voters will be able to use expired ID if they are still recognisable from the photo.

Anyone who does not have one of the accepted forms of ID will be able to apply for free ID online at www.voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk/ or by completing a paper form.

The full list of accepted ID is available on the Electoral Commission's website, along with more information about the new requirement and details of how to apply for the free ID, at electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID.

Ailsa Irvine, Director of Electoral Administration and Guidance, said:

"Anyone voting at a polling station in England this May will need to show photo ID before they can be given their ballot paper. It's important that everyone understands what types of ID they can use, and how to apply for free ID if they need it. You can find information about the new requirement and what to expect at the polling station on the Electoral Commission's website."

Paul Dodson, Returning Officer at Maldon District Council, said:

"With elections taking place in Maldon District on 4 May 2023, it is important that those who want to vote make sure they have an accepted form of ID. It may seem early but checking now means you will be ready to vote in May.

"Residents who do not have one of the accepted forms of ID can apply for free ID either online or by completing a paper application form and sending this to Maldon District Council's electoral services team. If you need any help with applying for the free ID or want to request an application form, contact the electoral services team on elections@maldon.gov.uk

Anyone who wants to have their say in the elections this May must also be registered to vote. It only takes five minutes to register online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote. Voters wishing to apply to their council for free ID should first make sure they are registered to vote.

The requirement to show photo ID at the polling station, is a new requirement, introduced by the UK Government's Elections Act which was passed last year and **comes into effect for the first time this May.**

Ministry Team's Message for Easter 2023

EASTER! For many people Easter is a time of chocolate eggs, and Easter bunnies, and Bank Holidays. I think the first time I noticed Easter eggs in our local supermarket this year was just after New Year! It seems they're never slow to act on a commercial opportunity.

For those of us who are followers of Jesus – Christians, as we're often called – it's the most important time of the year. Even more so than Christmas. Admittedly, had Jesus not been born, then Easter would not have happened. But it is the manner of his dying – and *rising again* – that makes this time of the year so very special.

To get to Easter Sunday, we have journeyed through 40 days of Lent, with 6 additional Sundays of reflection; a time usually of self-examination, maybe of self-denial, a time of spiritual cleansing. Then the week before Easter Sunday we have Holy Week, which begins with Palm Sunday. That's the day we recall Jesus entering Jerusalem on the back of a donkey, showing his humility and peace. That day the people welcomed him with Hosannahs and Hallelujahs – acclamations of joy, adoration and praise. Only 5 days later the same crowd would be baying for his blood...

Thursday of that week is known as Maundy Thursday. It's the night Jesus celebrated the Passover festival with his closest friends (disciples), and ousted Judas, the man who had already betrayed him. It's also the night Jesus goes to the garden of Gethsemane with his friends, to pray. He knows what's coming: they don't. And then he's confronted by an armed, angry crowd. Judas betrays Jesus with a kiss, and Jesus is arrested. His friends desert him in fear.

Good Friday follows. Jesus is condemned to death, flogged and crucified. He is punished Roman-style as a common criminal – a hideous, tortured death. Why then do we call it *Good* Friday? Because what happened that day led to what happened on Easter Sunday, and from that comes all the good in the world.

'On the third day he rose again'... **The miracle of the resurrection** is what we celebrate at Easter. Death could not hold Jesus, the Son of God. He rose to new life, and appeared to his disciples in their fear and isolation. He gave to them, and to us, the Great Commission – *'to make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.'* (Matt 28:18-20) Above all he gave us all HOPE, by showing that this earthly life is not all that there is; that there's eternal life on offer for all who choose to follow Jesus.

That fills me with joy and gratitude, and gives me a purpose to my life. I choose to follow Jesus, so it's something I will never stop celebrating. I'd love to see you at one of our services within the Benefice this year. Do check out the timetable of services on offer, and come and celebrate with us. Meantime, I hope that as you bite into your Easter eggs this year, you will remember the new life that Jesus offers to all of us when we invite him into our lives... 😊

HAPPY EASTER TO YOU ALL! Reverend Sarah Clare

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Answers to March crossword

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Answers to March Sudoku

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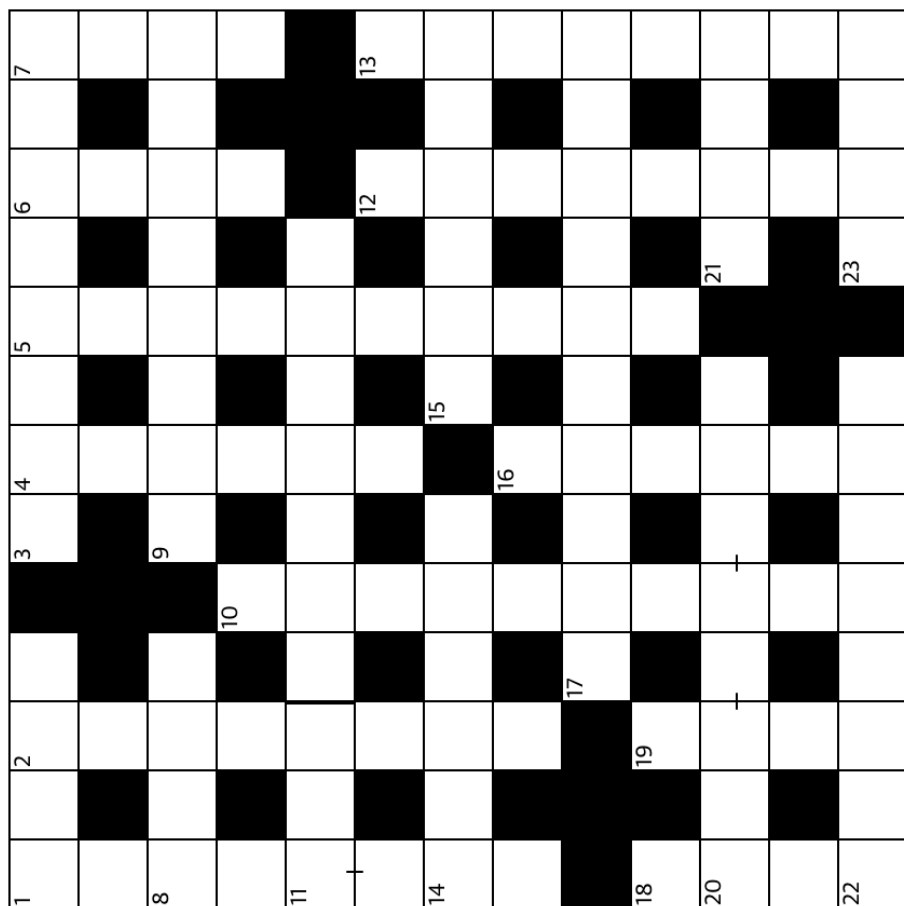
We're so pleased to be back and able to do what we do best – serve our guests with great food and drink in a great pub with a great atmosphere and great hospitality.

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

Like a bit of Sudoku?

	7					1		4
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Answers next month



Across

- 1 Bill — magistrate (4)
- 3 Russian woman of a certain age (8)
- 8 Highest point (4)
- 9 Lazy (8)
- 11 Cervantes character (3,7)
- 14 Total (6)
- 15 Spanish dance (6)
- 17 The study of insects (10)
- 20 Hoity-toity (3-2-3)
- 21 Travel by sea (4)
- 22 Not brisk (8)
- 23 Crack a joke (4)

Down

- 1 Recently acquired and never used before (5-3)
- 2 Coiled fossil shell of a mollusc (8)
- 4 Building extension (6)
- 5 Breaking with convention (10)
- 6 Command given to a dog (4)
- 7 Affectedly cultured (4)
- 10 Arms smuggling (10)
- 12 Agreed to (anag) — detract from (8)
- 13 Composed of several different languages (8)
- 16 Muddled situation that's difficult to get out of (6)
- 18 As well as (4)
- 19 Cream puff — French cabbage — Chinese imperial dynasty (4)

Answers next month

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/>

Be Thou, O Lord, around the ones we love,
 A Shield about them, bless them from above,
 Be Thou before—to guide them day by day,
 Be Thou behind—to guard them all the way,
 Be Thou beneath—a firm support and rest,
 And in Thy Love, close clasp them to Thy Breast.
 Be Thou within—and grant each heart may be
 A holy temple, set apart for Thee !

*Loving Greetings
 from Goldhanger Fellowship, 1942.*

This tiny 4 x 3 inch card has been sent to me by someone in Kent who recently found it in inside a religious book bought in a charity shop near his home. He had never heard of Goldhanger so looked it up on the web, found Goldhanger Past and sent an email asking if we would be interested in it and if knew anything about it.

I replied that I have not seen it before but assume because of the 1942 date it was sent to serving troops in WW-2 attached to a food parcel or similar by the Church, the Mother's Union or the W.I. etc.

He has kindly posted to card to me which will be placed in the paper archive and added to the website. If anyone knows more about it please get in touch.

David Newman 788647 david@churchside1.plus.com

Answers to Rhyming Pairs on page 17

- | | |
|------------------|--|
| 1. Fat cat | 16. Cross boss |
| 2. Sad lad | 17. Waste paste |
| 3. Funny bunny | 18. Wonky donkey |
| 4. Regal eagle | 19. Honey money (or money honey) |
| 5. Gory story | 20. Shorn lawn |
| 6. Flabby cabbie | 21. Fleeting greeting |
| 7. Fair hair | 22. Canny granny |
| 8. Fun run | 23. Bored Lord |
| 9. True blue | 24. Swiss Miss |
| 10. Cop shop | 25. Bramble ramble |
| 11. Izzy Wizzy | 26. Brummie mummy |
| 12. Coal hole | 27. Busy Lizzy |
| 13. Fine wine | 28. Wrangle bangle (or bangle wrangle) |
| 14. School rule | 29. Holy goalie |
| 15. Brain drain | 30. Scouse mouse |

GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the meeting held on the 8th Feb 2023. 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
clerk.gpc@outlook.com

Planning Decisions by MDC

22/00489 Orchard View, 1a Head Street Refused

Planning Applications

22/00003 30 Fish Street

First Floor rear extension, new boiler flue, the removal of one chimney, internal alterations and an infill wall to the front.

GPC supported with comments – see MDC planning Portal.

Enforcement issues

Further enquiries were being made for some of the long outstanding issues.

Two residents attended the meeting to inform the Council of an application that had recently been submitted to MDC. The Council were unable to make comment until application was received which at the time of the meeting it had not, but stated that they did support the application made last time.

Correspondence

An invitation to the Rural Crime Event in Mar 23 had been received.

Information re the requirement of electors to produce photo id to be able to vote in the upcoming elections was received.

Notification of Village Hall fee increase from April 23. Due to rising costs fees were being increased by £2 per hour was received.

Playing Field

New Contracts had been agreed with MDC for grass/hedge cutting etc.

Remittance had been received from MDC for the damaged gate that occurred last year.

Highways Matters and Public Rights of Way.

Parking - It was noted that the Village Hall Car Park had been used for non- hirers recently.

Flooding and Drainage – Further emails had been sent to Cllr Durham regarding ongoing issue.

Sids and solar panels – a grant application was being investigated.

Update on rangers cutting back overgrowth – This work had now been completed by the MDC rangers but any further work would need to be referred to ECC/

Highways and not MDC. The Council were pleased with the work that had been completed.

Wash Bridge – The Bridge had recently been hit again by a motorist. A letter had been received from a resident stating his frustration and suggesting some solutions. Council discussed this as to the possibilities of what could be done and letters would be drafted to be sent to ECC Highways Dept as well as a response to the resident.

Marigold Wood Nothing to Report.

Bus Shelters and Defibrillators

It was noted that quotes had been difficult to obtain and an alternative solution was being investigated.

Discussion was had regarding the siting of another defibrillator. A suggestion was put forward and the feasibility would be discussed with the relevant people.

Coronation of King Charles III

Cllrs had viewed the plot that had been marked out for tree planting in Marigold Wood previous to the meeting. It was agreed to purchase a mix of apple trees up to a maximum cost of £550 to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III. It was reported that the water meter at the allotment site was unreadable and had been reported to the Utility Company.

Next Meeting 8th March 2023

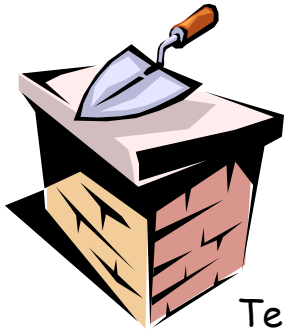


GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL

Parish clerk: Julie Webster
clerk.gpc@outlook.com
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All Goldhanger Residents are invited to attend the Annual Parish Meeting on the 12th April 2023 at Goldhanger Village Hall at 7pm

This is an opportunity for Goldhanger residents to raise any questions, suggestions or comments.



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Children's Pages

QUIZ

1. Which actor voices the character of Maui in Moana?
2. How many years were there between the release of Frozen and Frozen II?
3. Which character was voiced by Keanu Reeves in 2019's Toy Story 4?
4. Which Disney cartoon features the two lead characters mistakenly eating the same piece of spaghetti at the same time?
5. What is the name of Nemo's Dad in Finding Nemo?
6. What was the first name of Disney's founder?
7. What kind of animal was Baloo in The Jungle Book?
8. What is the 2007 film Ratatouille about?
9. Which catchy song do Timon the meerkat and Pumbaa the warthog sing in The Lion King?
10. What is the name of the Kingdom that Anna and Elsa live in?

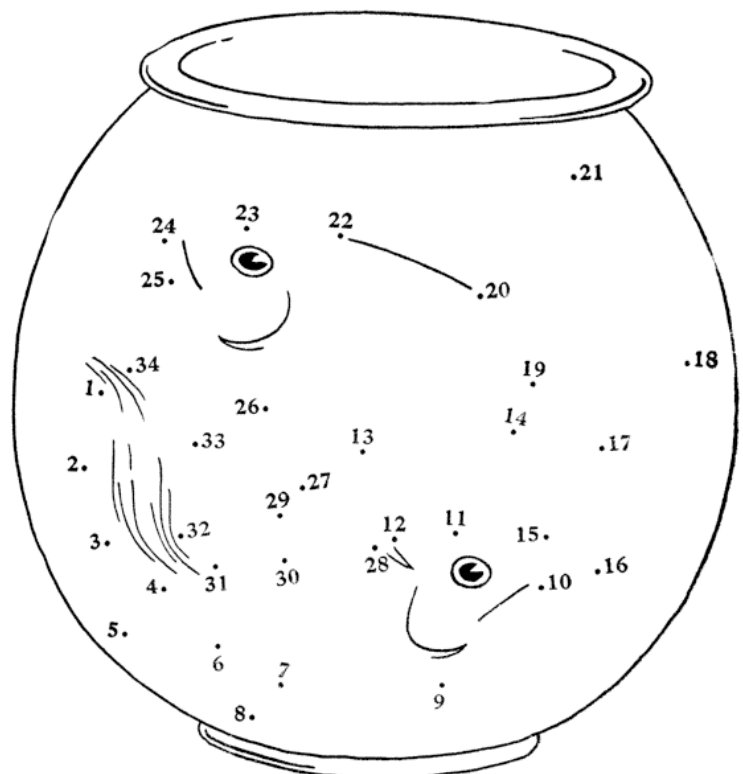
Answers on page 38

A duck walks into a pharmacy and says "Give me some chap-stick... and put it on my bill"

Whoever invented the spoon
caused quite a stir.

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35% of indoor water
use goes down your
toilet



Children's Pages

(Adults can join in too)

Get your colouring pencils out



HELLO SPRING



Recipe of the month

Garlic butter gnocchi with purple sprouting broccoli

This flavour-packed garlic gnocchi dish with cheesy sauce and crispy charred broccoli

Serves 3 (or two if extra hungry)

Time 30 minutes

Ingredients

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 200g purple sprouting broccoli, trimmed
- 500g gnocchi
- ½ lemon, juiced

Sauce

- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 4 cloves garlic, finely chopped or crushed
- 1 red chilli, finely chopped
- 75g butter
- 1 lemon, juiced
- 30g parmesan (or veggie alternative), finely grated, plus extra to serve
- ½ tsp Dijon mustard

Method

1. Heat the olive oil in a pan over a medium heat and fry the broccoli for 5-10 minutes or until it begins to crisp up.
2. medium/large frying pan over a medium heat and add the olive oil. Cook the onion until turning translucent, then add the garlic and chilli, and cook for 5 minutes. Add in the butter, lemon juice, parmesan, mustard and plenty of seasoning, and cook on a low-medium heat until the cheese is melted and everything is combined (reserve a little sauce to drizzle over the broccoli). Simmer over a low heat while you cook the gnocchi following pack instructions. Drain the gnocchi, saving a little of the cooking water, and tip everything into the sauce, adding a little of the reserved cooking water to loosen if needed.
3. Serve in warm bowls topped with the broccoli, a squeeze of lemon juice and extra parmesan, if you like.



Do you have a recipe that you'd like to share?



Sign the Essex Food Waste Pledge for your chance to win

Local authorities across Essex have come together to tackle food waste in the County.

Maldon District Council are joining other local authorities across Essex to support Love Essex's flagship 'Love Essex, Love Food' campaign in a bid to reduce food waste across Essex during 2023.

In Essex, food waste currently makes up roughly 25% of the waste found in the general rubbish.

Not only is this contributing to climate change, but it's also a huge waste of money.

Did you know, the average Essex household wastes £60 a month by throwing away food that could have been eaten?

This is why Love Essex are giving residents the chance to win the equivalent amount in supermarket vouchers every month throughout the year.

All you need to do is sign the [Essex Food Waste Pledge](#), and take part in the monthly challenges.

Councillor Penny Channer, Leader of Maldon District Council said, "I am pleased to join with our neighbouring authorities in Essex to support this important campaign and help reduce the amount of food waste produced in the County.

"I hope that the campaign will raise awareness of the importance of reducing food waste and help residents save more money during these difficult times and encourage residents in the District to sign the Essex Food Waste Pledge."

To launch the campaign, Deadline Communications have created a humorous short film to highlight the issue of food waste. The film made the most of local talent, using Essex-based voice actors, puppeteers, and animators. It was filmed in a local studio in Rochford.

Watch the film at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9smVgD924k>

To find out more information or to sign the Essex Food Waste Pledge, visit lovesessex.org/foodwaste

Answers to quiz on page 34

1. Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson
2. Six
3. Duke Caboom
4. Lady And The Tramp
5. Marlin
6. Walt
7. A Bear
8. A rat cooking
9. Hakuna Matata
10. Arandelle



Summer Reading Challenge volunteering

Are you age 14 or over? Are you looking for something to do during the summer holidays? Why not become a Summer Reading Challenge volunteer!

Recruitment for our Summer Reading Challenge volunteers opens on **Monday 3 April** and closes on **Friday 30 June**.

If you're looking for something interesting and fun to do over the holiday period or want to enhance your CV, then this is the perfect opportunity. Don't just take our word though; one of our 2022 volunteers said, "It's a great experience and a lot of fun!"

[More details about Summer Reading Challenge volunteering](https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/volunteer-to-help-with-the-summer-reading-challenge) (<https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/volunteer-to-help-with-the-summer-reading-challenge>).

The current price list for greyscale printing in the magazine.

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The talk is preceded by coffee and tea and a chat. We also arrange day visits. If interested look at our website and join us.

Website of the Month

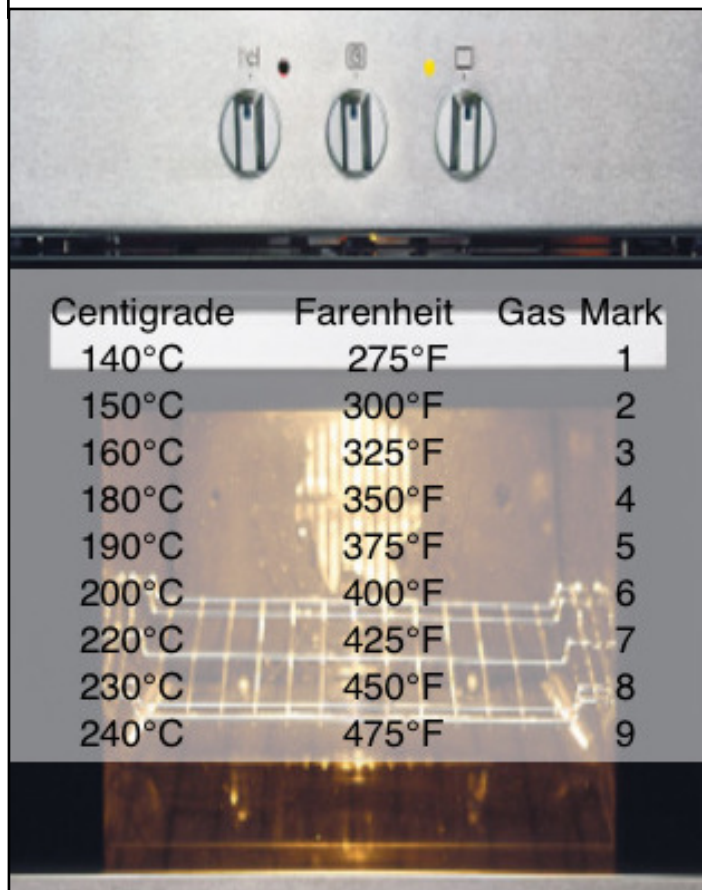
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180°C	350°F	4
190°C	375°F	5
200°C	400°F	6
220°C	425°F	7
230°C	450°F	8
240°C	475°F	9

Mobile Library dates & times

Dates	Location	Stop name	Arrives	Leaves
2023 12 April 03 May 24 May	Ulting	Doe's Corner	9:40	9:55
	Ulting	Ulting Lane/Water Co. Houses	10:00	10:15
	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
	Goldhanger	Village Hall	13:10	13:40
	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

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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 for more information.

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Hate Crime in Essex



Hate Crime is the generic term we use to discuss both Hate Crimes and Hate Incidents.

Hate crimes are any crimes perceived by the victim or any other person to be motivated by hostility or prejudice.

Hate incidents feel like crimes and often escalate to crimes or tension in a community.

Both can be toward personal characteristics:

- Race: including Ethnicity, Nationality, National Origin, Colour, Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Communities
- Religion or Belief: including Non-Belief
- Gender Identity: including Trans, Non binary and Gender Fluid
- Sexual Orientation: including Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual
- Disability: including Learning, Mental Health, Physical and Sensory disabilities

Essex Police co-ordinate a network of Hate Crime Ambassadors and Hate Incident Reporting Centres (HIRCs) throughout Essex. This was to meet with one of the recommendations of the Inquiry by Sir William Macpherson into the horrific murder of Stephen Lawrence in 1993.

The role of HIRCs is to provide a drop-in service that can be accessed by victims and witnesses of hate crimes and incidents, with an option to report confidentially. HIRCs are also intended to support and encourage reporting of hate crime within the community by providing an environment in which victims of hate crimes and incidents will feel safe and supported. HIRCs effectively provide third party reporting facilities for victims and witnesses. HIRCs endeavour to improve information sharing between partner agencies and to increase community safety).

The network consists of 60 Hate Incident Reporting Centres, which are community based organisations and locations. The Hate Incident Reporting Centres have some staff who are Hate Crime Ambassadors, but most Hate Crime Ambassadors are not associated with a Hate Incident Reporting Centre. <https://www.essex.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/hco/hate-crime/how-to-report-hate-crime/>

There are about one thousand Hate Crime Ambassadors in the network, who are front line people, volunteers and professionals who can identify victims of hate crime

For more information please contact:

Police Sergeant 1121 Arron Pitt
Operational Review Team
Strategic Change, Performance & Analysis Essex Police
01245 491491 ext 42001121

Email: 1121@essex.police.uk www.essex.police.uk

BUS TIMETABLE

Monday to Friday

95 Tollesbury to Maldon	Hedingham Omnibus				
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	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
GOLDHANGER Square	0853	1108	1318	1548	1713
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School	0858	1113	1323	1553	1718
TOLLESBURY The Square	0903	1118	1328	1558	1723

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Saturday

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TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School	0905	1105	1305	1445
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
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School	1030	1230	1430	1700
TOLLESBURY The Square	1035	1235	1435	1705

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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

Gainsborough's Blue
Boy in mauve? Hmm, let me
check for you.



LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICES

Maldon District Council	854477
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Local Police (non-emergency)	101 (<i>puts you through to Essex Police</i>)

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Universal Credit Helpline	0800 328 5644
Salvation Army	853942
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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>)

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