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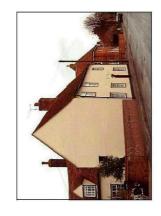
























130 Years of Goldhanger Parish Magazine

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

Submit articles, as PDF to preserve layout or as plain text in an email with any images attached, by midnight on the 15th of August. Please contact the editors if you have any questions about your article.

Submit advertising (including For Sale and Wanted) by midnight on the 13th of August please.

Magazine Editors: Stephen & Chris parishmag@goldhanger.org.uk

Advertising (for

Magazine & Website) Carol advertising@goldhanger.org.uk

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.

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

Donations: Cheques made payable to **Goldhanger Parish Magazine**. You can also donate online through the Goldhanger website. If you would like to pay by BACS please contact the editors.

You can **download the Parish Magazine** in glorious technicolour each month, including back issues, at: https://www.goldhanger.org.uk/parish-mag.html - and the links work in the PDFs.

Tide Times

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

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

Historic buildings in Goldhanger

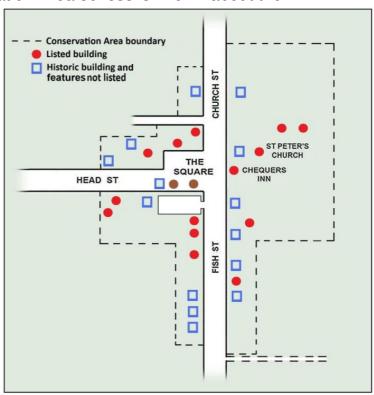
There are many historic properties in the Parish, both within the Conservation Area and elsewhere. Some are formally and legally listed by *Historic England* and some are not. Many of the historic properties that are not listed are well over 100 years old and are of great character, so one can only wonder what distinguishes them from the listed buildings. The reason given is that in the 1960s at the time of the original listing designations, some of these buildings already had been altered in a way that detracted from their originality so did not qualify for listing. However, many of the listed buildings have also been modified in some way since that time, and there is now no obvious distinction between the groups, other than that the planning process, requirements and constraints are different. In this quite complex scenario there are...

- 32 listed buildings and features in Goldhanger Parish
- 16 of those are within the Conservation Area shown on this month's cover
- 12 historic buildings within the Conservation Area that are not listed

There are also other properties in the Parish that are clearly very old that are neither listed nor in the Conservation Area so less is known about them.

This simplified map is а version official of the Goldhanger Conservation Area map with the listed buildings and non-listed historic buildings added...

The detailed Conservation Area map available on Maldon District Council's website is an Ordnance Survey copyrighted PDF document, but it can be downloaded for personal use.



the *Conservation Area Map* on Maldon District Council's website is at... https://www.maldon.gov.uk/downloads/file/10235/goldhanger conservation area map

the *British Listed Buildings* website, with all the listed features in Goldhanger is at... https://britishlistedbuildings.co.uk/england/goldhanger-maldon-essex

the *Heritage Gateway* website, with an interactive map and search facilities is at... https://www.heritagegateway.org.uk

for more about the local situation search for: *Goldhanger past historic buildings* http://www.churchside1.plus.com/Goldhanger-past/Listed%20&%20non-listed.htm

please see the Gala Weekend Programme that include Village History Tours

David Newman

Goldhanger Village Hall



A modern venue for birthday parties, discos, children's parties, quiz nights & theme nights.

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

See Village Hall Calendar for more details of events.

Pink recycling bags are available 15 minutes before each Parish Council meeting every 2nd Wednesday of the month from 7.15pm. Purple bags are no longer available.

Gentle Yoga every Monday 7-8pm Nikki Myers 07963 785718, youtimeyoga@live.co.uk

Chair Yoga every Wednesday 11am
Nikki Myers 07963 785718, youtimeyoga@live.co.uk

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

Karate every Thursday 6-8pm

Art Club second Thursday of the month 2-4pm *Catherine 01621 788488*

Film Club third Wednesday of the month (except July and August), 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

Web: www.goldhangervillagehall.co.uk Facebook: Goldhanger Village Hall

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Hire charges		Goldhanger Resident Rate (per hour)	General Rate (per hour)
Monday-Friday	9.00 -18.00	£12	£14
	18.00 - 23.00	£17	£20
Saturday-Sunday	9.00 - 18.00	£17	£20
	18.00 - 23.00	£22	£27

Community Page

Goldhanger Sailing Club

www.goldhangersailingclub.org.uk

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

Stamps for the Hospice

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



Maldon District Council Monthly Surgeries

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

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

Bellringing www.bellringing.org/learntoring/

Every Wednesday 7:30pm - 9:30pm and for services on Sundays Newcomers welcome. Contact Sarah Scannell 07789 990942 or email goldhangerbells@outlook.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.

Shanties in the Pub

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

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From the Editors

It's almost Gala Weekend time and it's going to be a weekend packed with events. This issue should now include all events for the weekend as well as the competition entry forms. We understand there have been a few tweaks so it's worth having a good look. Information is also on the Goldhanger website at

www.goldhanger.org.uk/gala-weekend.html

Hopefully everyone has been managing to stay cool during the weather we've been having recently. It's worth remembering those who are most vulnerable and checking on our neighbours to see that they are also managing. Keeping curtains closed on windows that face the sun can be a help in keeping a room cool. Putting a bowl of cold water (with ice if you can) in front of a fan is a good replacement for air-conditioning, as is wiping your arms, neck and legs with cold water and leaving to air dry.

And don't forget the birds and animals. Leaving out bowls of water in the shade for them would be a great help. With very little rain lately there is less for them to drink.

Chris and Stephen



Goldhanger Church Services

No Church Services were provided for August.

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 Rosie Pollock or the churchwardens if you are considering baptism for yourself or your children, confirmation, and weddings Please contact Rev'd Andrew or Rosie for funeral arrangements.

Parish Prayers

If you would like someone, an event or concern, included in church prayers please contact Kim Evans on 788698 email kwestwood58@aol.com or George Bunting (details on next page). Votive candles are lit at Sunday Services.

Raise free donations for Goldhanger church through Easyfundraising Go to https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpeterschurchgoldhanger and join for free.

St. Peter's Church Book of Remembrance

If there is someone special you would like to be included, please send an email with details to Becky willisbecky@btinternet.com. There is no charge, but a donation to the upkeep of our beautiful church is always very much appreciated.

St. Peter's Church Goldhanger

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Associate Priests	Reverend Sue Godsmark	01621 891513 suegodsmark@aol.com
	Reverend Sarah Clare	07762 840905 / 01621 868819 sarahclare9@gmail.com 01621 868415
	Reverend Andrew Vince	andrew.vince15@gmail.com
Church Wardens:	Mr George Bunting	01621 929690 gvbunting@gmail.com
	Mrs B Abrey	01206 384394
Safeguarding Officer	Vacancy	
Benefice Administrator	Rosie Pollock (For weddings, baptisms etc). Available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings	07908 776750 office.blackwaterbenefice@gmail. com
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

No flags for August



Walking with Peter: A Journey of Failure, Forgiveness, and Faith

During Holy Week 2025, while on placement at Chelmsford Cathedral, I experienced something that has stayed with me ever since—a powerful **narrative sermon** delivered on Good Friday. The story of the crucifixion was told from the perspective of the apostle Peter. It wasn't just a retelling—it was an invitation to step into Peter's shoes, to feel his emotions, and to reflect on what his story means for us today.

The Cathedral was stripped bare for the solemnity of Good Friday, and the service was striking in its simplicity. The sermon, delivered as a dramatic monologue, brought Peter's inner world to life. The speaker's words were so well crafted and heartfelt that I found myself drawn into the moment—standing, as it were, beside Peter in the shadows.

Peter's story is one that resonates deeply with many of us. His **denial of Jesus**, his **shame**, his **confusion**, and **fear** are painfully familiar. The sermon began with the crowing of the cockerel—marking Peter's third denial—and then traced his reaction: running into the shadows, heart heavy with guilt. The words made me think about my own journey. Like Peter, I have had times where I didn't speak up for my faith, where I shrank back rather than stepped forward, where fear outweighed conviction.

One of the most powerful moments in the sermon came when Peter, speaking through the narrator, confessed: "They're killing him. And I should be there. I should be at the foot of that cross, but I am hiding." That raw honesty broke something open in me. It raised hard questions: Can I be forgiven when I fail? Does God still want me when I fall short? I realised that many Christians quietly carry a sense of guilt or spiritual inadequacy, and this can distance us from the joy of knowing Christ.

But Peter's story doesn't end in failure. The sermon moved from the shadows of denial to the dawn of restoration. After the resurrection, Jesus meets Peter again—not with rebuke, but with breakfast on the beach (John 21). He asks Peter three times, "Do you love me?"—one for each denial. This moment isn't just about forgiveness; it's about **recommissioning**. Peter is not only welcomed back—he's given a renewed calling.

This is where the sermon brought home something profound: the story of Peter is the story of **formation**, of **discipleship** that is messy, painful, and transformative. His failure became the place where grace met him. Peter's journey reminds us that our faith is not defined by one moment of weakness, but by how God continually shapes us, forgives us, and calls us again.

There are rich theological themes in Peter's story—intention versus action, moral awareness, repentance, and restoration. It also speaks to the virtues of courage and fidelity, even when we struggle to live them out. But above all, it is a story of hope: that failure is not the end, and that through Christ's love, we are always being made new.

In the quiet of Chelmsford Cathedral that day, I realised that what Jesus did on the cross wasn't just for Peter 2,000 years ago. It was for me. It's for all of us.

Colchester Art Centre

Sunday August 31st Doors open at 3.30 pm show starts at 4pm Finishing about 5pm

Admission Pay What You Can

Duncan Rennedy

Memorial show



A Dance For Duncan

Memories & songs commemorating Duncan led by Pete Kennedy With special guests Claudia & Michael McKell plus John Shirbon.

Everyone welcome

Invitation to join a Dance For Duncan at the end.

Memorialization for Duncan

Memorialization involves actions or creations showing respect and remembrance for a person. Helping to ensure that their memory is not forgotten and is passed down to future generations.



I think about him many times daily and I try to retrace his final moments but it never makes sense. He had a big heart and gave out so much love and he was much loved, so much that over 400 people came to his funeral in Maldon. I don't know of anyone who was as much photographed as Duncan. These images in various forms, including video, give us abiding memories of the lovely person that he was. See this interesting quote on love and death, "Annie Ernaux and Marc Marie are preoccupied by the way the body is subject to time, and therefore to memory...[Creativity] & making pictures [in 2D and in movement] are born of this same impulse to defy time and its tendency to erasure by recording and inscribing." TLS

Songs for Duncan:

- Short extract from Cutting Crew's Died In Your Arms Tonight.
- Tell Me Why by Neil Young sung by Claudia & Michael McKell
- · John Shirbon Put The World To Rights
- John Shirbon & Pete Kennedy sing James Taylor's You Gotta Friend
 - · Claudia McKell Song For Duncan
 - It's A Beautiful Day; White Bird
- Dance for Duncan a jig from Kate Bush
- Return to Cutting Crew and use the beautiful guitar licks



Ullswater swim



12th July 2025

Thank you everyone who has generously donated to Alzheimer's society, I've exceeded my target and really appreciate the support, I was quite apprehensive before the start, but this is how it went.

The journey up to Ullswater in the Lake District on Friday took 10 hours (4 stops and M6 traffic) We registered and checked out the finish and morning bus pick up point, which takes you to the start at the other end of the lake.

My wave start was 8.30 bus and 9.20 start.

In the morning It was warm already with highs of 27-30 degrees forecast, the water was warmer than it typically is most years with my watch recording 20 degrees and no wind made it near perfect conditions. However I still had bootees,

gloves and 2 swim hats, and I wasn't over heating, just right....

I started nice and steady just enjoying the water, then at mile 1, I realised I was quite slow, so I swam a bit faster hoping to catch up with my target 40min mile pace, which I did by mile 3.

The views are stunning and you get a real sense of the size of the lake, buoy markers every half mile are difficult to spot and the lake is a bit banana shaped, the water safety crew in canoes keep you on track if you drift too far one way or the other.

Mile 5 to 6 seemed to take a long time, and arm fatigue sets in, then it's only 1 1/2 miles to go, I get to the 7 mile buoy and have to ask a canoeist directions to the finish, which was marked by a huge yellow rubber duck!

During the last mile and a half people from later waves start to pass, they have much faster overall predicted times, so have caught up.

I get out the water, having completed 7 1/2 miles in 4hrs 46 min. My target 40 min mile pace would have been 5 hours so I got quicker then maintained a good pace to the end. Very happy!

There were 28 starters in my age group 55-59 (women + wetsuits) and I finished 14th (midway). Not bad considering my longest previous event was 2.4 miles.

~ Julia Bourn

Advertising Coordinator Required For your Goldhanger Parish Mag

From December 2025 onwards.

All we ask is for a few hours per month of someone's spare time to take care of the advertising. You don't need any special skills apart from being a bit organised and able to talk to customers, and to chase people up for repeat payments.

All current advertisers contacts and names will be passed on by Carol with a brief of what is expected to make the transition easier.

Please contact Carol at: advertising@goldhanger.org.uk

What are earworms?

Earworms typically occur as a fragment of music, consisting of three or four bars, that go round in a loop. This involuntary repetition is out of anyone's control and can become quite annoying. The phenomenon is very common, with 90% of people reporting to experience it once a week.

Science shows that earworms operate in the auditory cortex, the part of the brain that is responsible for processing sounds. Some scholars believe that earworms may form the much larger phenomenon of involuntary memory. This refers to a trigger in everyday life that reminds you of something in the past without conscious effort.

But once a tune becomes stuck in our heads, how can you get rid of it? The most common method involves trying to ignore it until it fades away on its own. Others often found that doing something like listening to the whole song all the way through helped to get rid of the earworm.

Chewing gum can decrease the occurrence of earworms. This is likely to be because chewing gum interferes with the articulatory muscles that are needed to mentally 'sing' a piece of music.

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Take away food, coffees, drinks & cakes available.

Dominic and the team look forward to welcoming you soon.

GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL

Notes of the Parish meeting held on the 9th July 2025. 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

The Chairman reported that Bin Bag Hoops were now available for litter picking

Waste collection calendars had been put on facebook and in the Parish Mag as paper versions no longer distributed

Splay fence at entrance to Foundry Barns track, which had blocked footpath entrance access had been reported as well as the memorial on the footpath.

Planning Decisions by MDC

25/00428 The Ramblers, 56 Maldon Road – Single storey front porch extension and new cladding of the existing dwelling Approved

25/00379 8 Head Stret Refused - Now gone to Appeal Ref APP/x1545/d/25/3368009

Applications

25/00560 Foundry Barns Maldon Road – Prior approval for the change of use of agricultural buildings to flexible use within storage GPC object see MDC Planning Portal

25/00596 Clockmakers, 2 Head Street T1 Fell due to being dead and dangerous. No response was possible as was not showing on the MDC Portal

25-00603 The Limes 3 Head Street – T4 Bay tree -Fell support

A resident had highlighted Land north of Tayspills still undecided

The council would be looking into the status of the Asset of Community Value for the Chequers as it was thought that this had expired and whether they needed to renew it.

Cllr Cheeseman had offered to cut back protruding branches around SID

Speedwatch Group was working very well and the volunteers were doing an excellent job in trying to reduce speed.

Auditors report had been received and all good other than some website publication omissions which would be addressed

Cllrs were reminded that they need to review their members register of interest

The village Hall had requested a further donation and would be discussed at the next meeting. The Council would also be looking into a water trough for the allotment site

Next Meeting on 13th Aug 2025

2025 - 26 **YOUR NEW** RECYCLING CALENDAR

Please follow the dates below and recycle your old calendar in your pink sack

TUESDAY ROUTE 1

JUNE 2025

10



JULY 2025



OCTOBER 2025



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AUGUST 2025

SEPTEMBER 2025















NOVEMBER 2025

18 25

DECEMBER 2025













FEBRUARY 2026



MARCH 2026







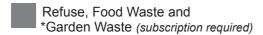
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Carpet Bowls

Carpet Bowls is on alternate Fridays in the Village Hall, starting on Friday 12th September and running through to April 2025.

Time: 1.45pm to 4.00 pm

No experience required, everyone welcome. Come along for a social and fun couple of hours.



Roman River 25th Anniversary Festival 2025 19th – 28th September

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For full line-up and tickets: www.romanrivermusic.co.uk/whats-on

What's blue and not very heavy? Light blue.



Goldhanger Gala - 6th/7th Sept 2025 Programme See separate posters for further details and contacts.

Note that plans are liable to change and timings won't be exact!

Sunday 31st August 'Gala Prelude'

From 10.00 SCARECROW TRAIL opens and runs until Sunday 7th Sept

13.00-15.00 Music on The Field Carol & Suki & The G/hanger Shanties - V/Hall

Saturday 6th September

From 09.30 CLASSIC CAR DISPLAY - Chequers car park, BIKE DISPLAY - Churchyard

From 10.00 CHEQUER'S BEER FESTIVAL

CHURCH BOOK SALE

ART EXHIBITION, CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION, TEAS/CAKES - Village Hall

CHEQUER'S BBQ From 11.00

12.00-16.00 COMPETITION TENT - Village Hall field, drop off 9-10am judging 10-12pm

KARATE DEMONSTRATION - Churchyard 13.30-14.30

14.30-15.00 MORRIS DANCING (Dark Horse) - The Square

CHILDREN'S 'MINI SPORTS DAY' - the Playing Field 15.00-17.00

From 16.00 LIVE MUSIC - The Chequers

Sunday 7th September

From 09.30 **BACON ROLLS** - The Square

From 10.00 CLASSIC CAR & BIKE 'RIDE OUT' from The Square

CHURCH FAMILY SERVICE, BOOK SALE continues afterwards

From 10.45 TEDDY PARACHUTE JUMPS - Churchyard

CHEQUER'S BEER FESTIVAL From 11.00

ART EXHIBITION, CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION, TEAS/CAKES - Village Hall

MORRIS DANCING (Alive & Kicking) - The Square 12.00-13.00

TRY YOUR HAND AT BELL RINGING - The Church From 13.00

VILLAGE HISTORY TOUR 1 from The Square (booking required) 13.00-14.00

VILLAGE HISTORY TOUR 2 from The Square (booking required) 15.00-16.00

WALKING FOOTBALL & TUG-OF-WAR - V/Hall Field (pre-arranged teams) 14.00-16.00

LIVE MUSIC - The Chequers From 16.00

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Goldhanger Gala: Competition Categories

COOKING

- Victoria sponge WI style
 Hint: no cream and use raspberry jam
- 2. Any flavour shortbread x 6 (all same size)
- 3. Sausage rolls x 6 (all same size)
- 4. Six small cakes suitable for an Afternoon Tea can be all the same or a mixture of different ones
- 5. Scones plain or fruit x 6 (all same size)
- 6. Preserves jar of your choice

Children's Classes

- 7. Age 4 to 10 years Cupcakes x 6 flavour of your choice
- 8. Age 11 to 16 years Cupcakes x 6 flavour of your choice

PHOTOGRAPHY

- 9. Fur, feather or fin
- 10. Wild flower
- 11. Landscape land, sea or sky
- 12. Dawn or dusk
- 13. A Goldhanger village scene
- 14. Black and white

Children's Classes (4 to 16 yrs)

- 15. Yours or friend's pet
- 16. Out and about

All the photographs must be taken & staged by the exhibitor

The size of the photo should be 8ins x 6ins and not mounted or framed

made by the exhibitor

All entries must be

FRUIT & VEGETABLES

- 17. Potatoes x 3
- 18. Runner beans x 3
- 19. Carrots with leaves x 3
- 20. Tomatoes \times 3
- 21. A single squash
- 22. A single cucumber
- 23. Apples x3
- 24. Pears x 3

Open to all adults and children

All fruit and veg must be home grown

We are looking for three products of each that are uniformly shaped, fresh and clean Please drop in your competition entry forms and entries to the Competition Tent (Village Hall field) between 9-10am on Saturday 6th September

GALA COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

Please complete all the details below. One form per person.								
NAME: AGE: (children 4-16yrs)								
ADDRESS: PHONE:								
List all class no.s you are entering								
Total number of entries at 50p each ** Pay on the day at drop off								
COOKING ENTRIES Please tick here if you would like to donate your cake to the Sunday cake stall where money raised will go towards the Goldhanger Art Club.								
I hereby confirm that all my exhibits are my own and that I will adhere to the competition rules.								





Goldhanger Gala Scarecrow Trail

Sunday 31st Aug to Sunday 7th Sept

Judging on Friday 5th Sept

Theme: SUPERHEROES & VILLAINS

contact Jill on 07734 069609 or jillcrooks66@icloud.com to register

REGISTRATION DEADLINE **FRIDAY 15TH AUGUST** (to create the trail map)



Grown Up's Sports!

Sunday 7th Sept, 2pm - 4pm

Village Hall Field

- Aimed at the adults but older 'children' are welcome to join in
- These will be excellent spectator sports as the Art Club will be selling Pimms so if you don't want to participate bring your chairs, grab a drink and have a good laugh at the goings on! Ice creams also available
- Timings are approximate
- And of course....it's all in the name of fun!

14.00 WALKING FOOTBALL

Harder than you think! one foot on the ground at all times, non-contact and ball below head height Rules will be explained by the referee



- 6-a-side including a goalie
- no need for studs, trainers ok
- aiming for 4 teams playing 2 matches and 1 final
- get a team together or just book and we can make up teams
- PLEASE LET US KNOW if you are interested BY AUGUST 15th we need to know we have enough players to organise things

15.15 TUG OF WAR

Let's see which street has the biggest muscle power!

Hoping to get each street to 'pull' together a team 6 to 8 each team, everyone welcome

- 4 teams or more depending on numbers:
- Church St, Benham Cl, St Peters Cl
- Fish St, Thistley Cl
- Head St, Peartree Cl

Maldon Road, Hall Est, Sorrell Cl (Gerry Jolly organising)



Contact jillcrooks66@icloud.com / 07734 069609 for all bookings or more details



GOLDHANGER ART SOCIETY Art & Craft Exhibition 2025

An exhibition of original paintings/drawings, Portfolios, and various Craft Items

Goldhanger Village Hall:

- Saturday 6th Sept 10.00 am 5.00 pm
- Sunday 7th Sept 11.00 am 4.00 pm

If you are interested in exhibiting, please contact Liz Connell on 01621 788649 / 07484 174287 / upthecreekcon@btinternet.com

Children's Art Competition

Categories: 5 – 10 Years Old 11 – 18 Years Old

- Subject and medium of your choice
- All Entries will be on display at The Art Show on 6/7 September
- Bring entries to Goldhanger Village Hall on Friday 5th September between 3.00 and 6.00 pm.

Prizes to be Won

Further Information from cathy-a-brown@hotmail.co.uk

CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION ENTRY FORM
Name
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Category 5 – 10 years 11 – 18 years
Please complete and bring with your Entry on Friday 5 th September between 3.00 and 6.00 pm. Your picture will need to have your name clearly displayed.

St. Peter's Church Gala Weekend 6th and 7th September

Saturday 6th

Book sale all day
Cake raffle
Karate demonstration 1.30pm to 2.30pm
Refreshments 1pm to 3pm

Sunday 7th

Fun family service 10am
Teddy bear parachute 10.45am
Bacon butties and bucks fizz
Tea coffee and cake
Bell ringing (go on give it a go)
Drawing of the cake raffle.

We have a lovely fully tuned piano and refurbished organ that is available for those wishing to provide music, we would love to hear them being played, the church acoustics are wonderful. Please let us know if you are available and can play either sat or sun. If anyone has their own musical instrument that would like to give us a tune please let us know.

Any questions please call Kim 01621788698



GCCC Classic Car & Motorbike Display

Saturday 6th Sept, from 9.30am

Back by popular demand and tradition our classic car display will be in The Chequers car park and a motorbike display in the churchyard. Our proud owners will delight in providing any level of detail about their cherished vehicles.

Vote for your favourite 🎳 (car or bike that is, not owner!)







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Sunday 7th September, 1-2pm & 3-4pm

Revealing Goldhanger's past - a guided walk through the history of our village

As seen in this month's history article we have a rich collection of historic buildings in Goldhanger, many of which are part of the village's conservation area. The village's history and character being closely tied to it's estuary location. Join our local experts and historians on a guided walk exploring the landmarks and properties around the village.

Depending on numbers there will be one or two tours in the afternoon with a maximum of 12 people per tour

Please book by 15th August so we can plan accordingly £5 per person (to support our annual Galas)



Timings are liable to change so please advise of any restrictions when booking

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If you would like a birthday or congratulations message (or any other message) included in the magazine then please let us know.

(See inside front cover)

Photos of village events are always very welcome.







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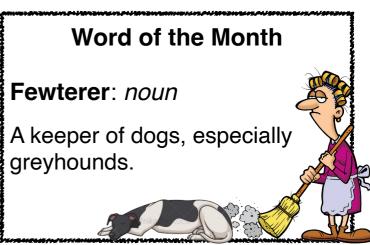
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Megabrain wordsearch leader board

As you know, every correct answer received to date has been earning you 2 points (see the leader board below). From now on, as you are getting pretty good at these, I'm racking up the difficulty factor a tad and making everything worth 3 or 4 points, so not too late to join in – (and don't even get me started on the value of the December Christmas edition!) All still to play for then! Peter

Players	Entries after 6 puzzles	Points earned so far
Carole Russell	22222	10
Maureen Cheeseman	2222	8
lan Moore	2222	8
Mo Brooks	222	6
Chris Rowland	222	6
Lorraine Alford	222	6
David Harding	22	4
Greg Lake	22	4
Ruth Jolly	22	4
Liz Martin	2	2

There's nothing here

Have you got something to send us to put in this space?



I fear for the calendar, its days are numbered.

Megabrain Wordsearch 7 – British Mammals

It's time to rack up the difficulty a tad! Level 2 = 3 points!

20 British mammals (one from each sub-species) are hidden in the grid below. But there is NO LIST to help you! THEN, when you've found them, the 29 unused letters read as a question. Answer that and email it to pfrench2@hotmail.com to be immortalised in next month's magazine! Good luck!

Just done the shortest one for you this time - Vertical - FOX

Next month I have a hankering for something on wheels!

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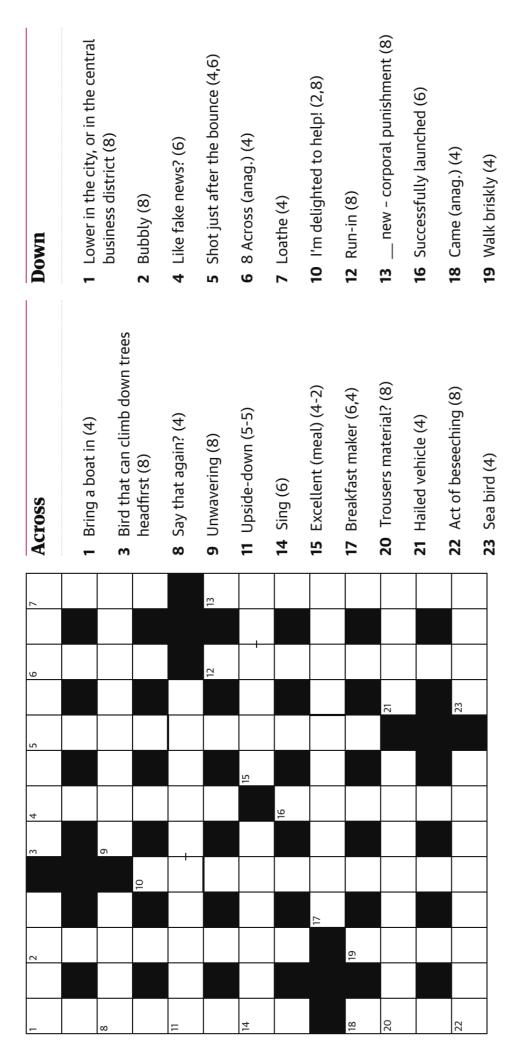
Note: Usual rules apply – diagonal, horizontal and vertical words forwards and backwards, letters used more than once + unused letters read as a book to form the hidden question.

NB. This month's answer has 14 letters (11,3)

Last month's hidden 'WILD FLOWERS' question was 'NAME FOR RANUNCULUS?' Answer: BUTTERCUP

FLOWERS were (horiz.) Yarrow, Weld, Knapweed, Scabious, Trefoil, Foxglove, Bluebell, Clary, Primrose, Teasel, Harebell, (vert.) Ribwort, Sorrel, Poppy, Marigold, Cowslip, Vetch, Bugloss (diag.) Betony, Bugle, Flax, Catsear, Gorse

Correct answers were received from Ruth Jolly (2) Mo Brooks (2) Maureen Cheeseman (2) Carole Russell (2) Greg Lake (2) Ian Moore (2) Liz Martin (2) Lorraine Alford (2)



Answers next month

Online games and puzzles to keep you amused

Online games and puzzles: https://www.games.co.uk/games/

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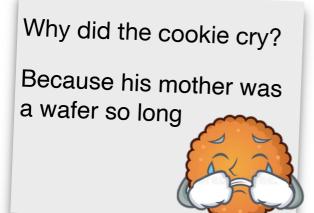
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Children's Pages

Kids Quiz

- 1. How many days are there in a fortnight?
- 2. What sweet food substance is made by bees?
- 3. St. Patrick is the patron saint of which country?
- 4. In which season of the year do trees shed their leaves?
- 5. What country on a map looks like the shape of a boot?
- 6. What were the Penny Black and Penny Red?
- 7. Which animal is known as the 'Ship of the Desert'?
- 8. 'The Mounties' are a police force in which country?
- 9. Which small animals live in nests called dreys? (Dreys are usually built of twigs, dry leaves, and grass.)
 - 10. Name the highest mountain in the world?

Answers on page 40





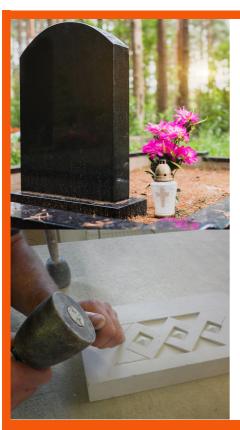


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Children's Pages (Adults can join in too)

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Recipe of the month

Easy Vegetarian Tacos

It's still summer time!

Preparation time
Under 30 minutes
Cooking time
15 minutes

Serves

Serves 4



Ingredients

- 2 x 400g tins beans (e.g. black beans, cannellini beans, borlotti beans), drained and rinsed
- 100g frozen peas or sweetcorn
- 2 x 400g tins chopped tomatoes
- 1 tsp dried oregano
- ¼ tsp dried red chilli flakes
- 2 tbsp tomato purée
- · 8 crispy tacos shells
- ½ ripe avocado
- ¼ lemon, juice only
- handful coriander leaves, roughly chopped
- 60g cheddar, grated, to serve
- soured cream, to serve

Method

- 1. Preheat to oven to 200C/180C Fan/Gas 6.
- 2. Tip the beans, peas, tomatoes, oregano, chilli flakes and tomato purée into a roasting tin and toss together. Bake for 15 minutes. For the last few minutes of cooking, put the tacos on a baking tray and warm in the oven.
- 3. Meanwhile, mash together the avocado, lemon juice and coriander.
- 4. Carefully tip the beans into a serving bowl. Put the tacos, beans, avocado, cheese and soured cream in separate bowls on the table so everyone can help themselves.



Answers to July crossword



Answers to Kids Quiz on page 36

- 1. 14 days
- 2. Honey
- 3. Ireland
- 4. Autumn
- 5. Italy
- 6. The first British postage stamps
- 7. Camel
- 8. Canada
- 9. Squirrel
- 10. Mount Everest



Website of the Month

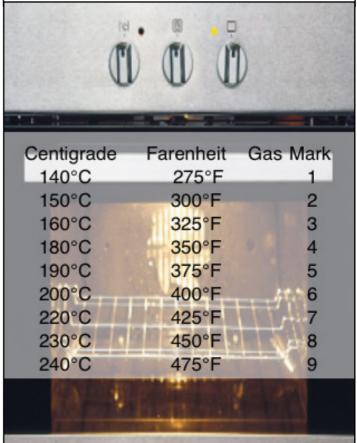
Your editors present a quirky, interesting, surprising or who-knows-what website that may be of interest. Hand-curated by your intrepid cybernaut navigators Chris and Stephen



A Vision of Britain through Time brings together historical surveys of the British Isles to create a record of how these islands and their localities have changed.



Oven temperature conversions



Mobile Library dates & times

Dates	Location	Stop name	Arrives	Leaves
2025	Ulting	Doe's Corner	9:40	9:55
20th August	Ulting	Ulting Lane/Water Co. Houses	10:00	10:15
10th September 1st October	Heybridge	Colne House	10:45	11:15
22nd October	Heybridge	Coopers Avenue	11:20	11:50
12th November 3rd December	Heybridge Basin	Bus Stop	12:00	12:15
24th December	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

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

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information.

BUS TIMETABLE

Monday to Friday

95 Tollesbury to Maldon	Hedingham Omnibus						
Tollesbury, adj The Square	09:20	11:30	14:30	16:05			
Tolleshunt D'Arcy The Red Lion (near)	09:25	11:35	14:35	16:10			
Goldhanger House (o/s)	09:30	11:40	14:40	16:15			
Heybridge, adj Osea Road	09:35	11:45	14:45	16:20			
Heybridge, o/s Mill Beach Hotel	09:37	11:47	14:47	16:22			
Heybridge, opp Church	09:40	11:50	14:50	16:25			
Maldon Tesco Store (Stop 1)	09:43	11:53	14:53	16:28			
Maldon, o/s The Swan Hotel	09:46	11:56	14:56	16:31			
Maldon, o/s Blackwater Leisure Centre	09:50	12:00	15:00	16:35			
Maldon Morrisons Wycke Hill (entrance)	09:55	12:05	15:05	16:40			

95 Maldon to Tollesbury	Hedingham Omnibus						
Maldon Morrisons Wycke Hill (entrance)	08:25	10:40	12:50	16:45			
Maldon, opp Blackwater Leisure Centre	08:30	10:45	12:55	16:50			
Maldon, opp The Swan Hotel	08:35	10:50	13:00	16:55			
Maldon Tesco Store (Stop 1)	08:39	10:54	13:04	16:59			
Heybridge, o/s Church	08:43	10:58	13:08	17:03			
Heybridge, opp Mill Beach Hotel	08:46	11:01	13:11	17:06			
Heybridge, opp Osea Road	08:48	11:03	13:13	17:08			
Goldhanger House (opp)	08:53	11:08	13:18	17:13			
Tolleshunt D'Arcy, opp The Red Lion	08:58	11:13	13:23	17:18			
Tollesbury, adj The Square	09:03	11:18	13:28	17:23			

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Heybridge, adj Osea Road	09:15	11:15	13:15	14:55	
Heybridge, o/s Mill Beach Hotel	09:17	11:17	13:17	14:57	
Heybridge, opp Church	09:20	11:20	13:20	15:00	
Maldon Tesco Store (Stop 1)	09:23	11:23	13:23	15:03	
Maldon, o/s The Swan Hotel	09:26	11:26	13:26	15:06	
Maldon, o/s Blackwater Leisure Centre	09:30	11:30	13:30	15:10	
Maldon Morrisons Wycke Hill (entrance)	09:35	11:35	13:35	15:15	

95 Maldon to Tollesbury	Hedingham Omnibus					
Maldon Morrisons Wycke Hill (entrance)	09:55	11:55	13:55	16:25		
Maldon, opp Blackwater Leisure Centre	10:00	12:00	14:00	16:30		
Maldon, opp The Swan Hotel	10:05	12:05	14:05	16:35		
Maldon Tesco Store (Stop 1)	10:10	12:10	14:10	16:40		
Heybridge, o/s Church	10:15	12:15	14:15	16:45		
Heybridge, opp Mill Beach Hotel	10:17	12:17	14:17	16:47		
Heybridge, opp Osea Road	10:19	12:19	14:19	16:49		
Goldhanger House (opp)	10:25	12:25	14:25	16:55		
Tolleshunt D'Arcy, opp The Red Lion	10:30	12:30	14:30	17:00		
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