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Beginnings – Editors Page

Dear Readers,

Are we really in Autumn now? - well yes, I think so -it has gone really cold, and dark so much earlier now. It happens every year at the end of August and the beginning of September so I don't know why I am surprised. I am just reluctant to admit that the warm summer sunshine might have gone for a while.

One good thing is that the children should be getting back to school and more normality for them.

I hope you enjoy Time the quiz answers and the Poetry Competition winning poem.

The Children's' poetry competition may be launched again when and if they are able to visit St Botolph's as a school trip this term. Meanwhile enjoy this season of mists and mellow blackberries!

Best wishes

Sue

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Parish Church of St Botolph's

SEPTEMBER 2020

Paula writes:

So here we are, about to embark on September's new chapter.



For many, it will mark the start of getting back to the routine of school and university after months of disruption. New normality will soon become its own routine, I'm sure: take care, stay alert, but may you all soon adapt and become as comfortable as possible with this new way of living to keep everyone safe.

Meanwhile, the cycle of the year continues with late summer beauty: blackberries, acorns and other fruits in the hedgerows emphasise that the rhythms of the earth keep going, COVID or no COVID.

Seeing the acorns on our local footpath recently took me back 10 years, to September 2010. I was just about to be ordained priest, and was on my ordination retreat – a few days to be still, reflect and contemplate this significant step in my life. For me, an important part of any retreat is a solitary country walk, with time to stop and take in the meaning of the world around me. On that walk too, there was an acorn on the path: perfectly formed green nut inside its snug cap. I picked it up, and thought: *You*, *little acorn*, *have the potential to grow into a massive oak tree*. And put it in my pocket, meaning to take it home as a symbol and reminder that God saw potential in me too, and wanted me to use it to the best.

But as I walked on, I realised that so long as it was in my pocket, or taken home to put on a table, that little acorn could never fulfil its potential: because it needed to fall into the soil and germinate, not wither and dry. So on my way back I put it down again on the path at the point where I had picked it up, mentally saying *Grow, little acorn, grow and flourish.* And walked on, praying for my own growth.

May the fruits and seeds around us inspire us all to grow and flourish: to understand our own individual specialness; and to walk forward with confidence into God's future.

With my prayers and best wishes to you all

Paula

SERVICES AT ST BOTOLPH'S

The church is open for services again!

There has been a lovely atmosphere at the services we have held so far, and it's marvellous to meet



face to face after months of lockdown. Thanks to everyone for coping cheerfully with the continuing restrictions imposed by COVID-19: face masks; no singing; no refreshments afterwards; and everyone spaced around the church at 2m distancing.... But we are **together** in the church.

We are getting towards a normal pattern, though there may be changes over the weeks and months ahead, depending what COVID does to us! Zoom services are still continuing every week, led by one of the clergy from the Team.

During September the likely pattern is (all these services at 9.30 am).

Sunday 6 September Family Service

Sunday 13 September Holy Communion – Book of Common

Prayer

Sunday 20 September no service in church – Holy Communion by

Zoom, led by Paula

Sunday 27 September Holy Communion – Common Worship

Tuesday Morning Prayer takes place in the church each week at 8.30 am.

Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 4 October

Sadly, however our usual Harvest Lunch is not feasible, because of COVID

If you would like to be added to the weekly email Worship Bulletin giving details of services, please contact Paula

Hadstock - News, - Events, - Happenings, Reports

BOOK GROUP MEETING MONDAY 17 AUGUST 'An American Marriage 'by Tayari Jones

Well in fact this didn't happen. It was supposed to be our second face to face, but 2 metres apart outdoors meeting, in Amanda's

garden but of course the outdoors wasn't possible because it rained - a lot! So then we reorganised the meeting for the next Monday 24 August again at Amanda's but guess what it rained on and off all day so the meeting was cancelled and those who had read the book chatted about it on the Book Club App.- .for the next few days.

The next book is, 'Where the Crawdads Sing' by Delia Owens. Hopefully the discussions about it will take place in Lynn Raddon's garden on 21st September, (each bring your own 2 metres distance with you) Weather permitting. If it doesn't it might be via zoom.

Anyone know what a Crawdad is?

Sue – Ed



Would you like some cones like this one?

Well, a kind person has collected bags full and is offering them to anyone in the village who would like some.

They could be made into decorations in time for Christmas maybe?

Let the Mag know and we'll get some to you.

email:hadstockmag@live.co.uk

or Tel: 01223 893837

Sue – Ed







1020 - 2020

HADSTOCK 1020-2020: A THOUSAND YEARS IN THE LIFE OF A VILLAGE

This is still Millennium year!

Thank you to everyone who has been keeping going with imaginative projects to celebrate this important milestone – the work on the Hadstock 2020 book, the Hadstock Society's website pages, Maggie's Quiz and poetry competition and more are all a real indication of the village community pulling together until we can take our plans for the bigger events forward.

Many thanks for all your continued enthusiasm for this special moment in the life of the village. Paula

More information will follow later

Poerty Competion: Winner Announced



Thank you to everyone who submitted poems for the Poetry Competition. The standard was very high indeed and the judges were faced with a real challenge as it was so hard to choose between them! However, I am delighted to announce that the overall winner is: -

James A Mufty with his poem 'Doors'

which has been printed for you all to enjoy, on the next

Congratulations James!

Maggie

DOORS

Battered and stained by time and the elements,

The door of Hadstock Church stands, an emblem

Of a thousand years of turbulent history,

Marooned in an Essex village, an iron-bound mystery.

Countless hands have opened that ancient door,

To the comfort of ritual and the promise of prayer,

To the beginning of life, to wedding grace,

And the last journey in St. Botolph's embrace.

Profuse and varied are the doors of Life.

We pass through them to know, to have, to find,

Eager, willing, anxious, seeking fortune and fame,

Often with fear, trepidation, guilt or shame.

For some, the choices are many and brightly inviting.

For others, few, denying hope, darkening drear.

Doors we open ourselves in happy haste,

And those which open at others' will to woeful waste.

All unknowing is the lottery of Life,

Except for the door, shaded in silence,

Opening in dream-dark welcome at the end,

And through its shrouded mystery all must wend

James A Mufty



Parish Council Report

Parish Council Welcomes Jude Hannam

Jude has been co-opted onto the Parish Council which is great news. This increases the number of councillors to 5. There is still a vacancy for one more councillor so contact the clerk if you are interested and want more information:

Contact Sara Beckett: hadstockparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk Y ou can contact Jude on cllrjhannam@gmail.com.

Parish Council business has mostly been on hold since lockdown although councillors have still been busy with the recreation ground, various queries and issues and preparing for post-lockdown. There has been one meeting via Zoom to co-opt Jude and formally sign-off last year's accounts and governance

statements.

Council meetings can now legally be held using teleconferencing such as Zoom although we are hoping that we can restart 'proper' meetings soon once the Village Hall is back in use. Meetings will need to adhere to the guidance from the Village Hall Management Committee and this will include limiting the number of public participants.

The public has a right to inspect the accounts for the previous financial year to 31 March 2020. The Notice, Governance Statement and a summary of the accounts are available on the village website and on the noticeboard. The accounts are available for public inspection up until 5th October.

Rick Albrow.

St Botolph Building Works

The second phase of redecorating and fabric repairs has now been completed by Lodge & Sons. This has of course taken longer than planned and Lodge have continued to work in difficult circumstances. When the work of replacing crumbling plaster and limewashing the nave (with its new ceiling) and north transept was completed in 2018 we decided the church really deserved having the rest of the interior brought up to the same standard once funds allowed. The 2018 work also revealed a number of fabric defects which needed to be rectified to prevent further deterioration.

The internal work comprised:



North porch: plaster repairs, limewash and cleaning stone benches. The north porch, which is the usual entrance and frames the historic door, was in a poor state and not a great welcome to the church.

South transept: plaster repairs and limewash. The south transept plaster was in better condition than elsewhere, but a panel of the ceiling was found to need replacing (memories of 2017!). Ground water contamination had stained part of the lower walls.

Tower ground floor: here quite a lot of loose plaster had to be replaced and the whole limewashed. A cast iron fireplace and grille were cleaned and painted and made a feature.

Lighting: new LED lighting has replaced old lighting in the south transept and tower.



Continued

Externally:

Rainwater system: new low maintenance aluminium guttering and downpipe to nave south wall. This is designed to have increased capacity. The rest of the guttering and downpipes will be replaced in due course.



South transept coping stones: ivy had penetrated the south transept under the coping stones allowing the ingress of damp and causing plaster to fall. On inspection the coping stones were found to be in poor condition and badly laid. At least one looked as though it had previously been a gravestone! There was no choice but to replace all of them. You can see the new Bath Stone coping stones if you look up to the south transept roof.

North transept north wall: removal of some unwanted render and reharling (pointing between the flints) the section beneath the window. The church fabric is now in good condition with the next quinquennial inspection due in 2023. When the building is fully reopened you will be able to appreciate just how good the interior now looks.

The total cost of these works comes to £27,000 nearly all of which has been covered by external grants.

Rick Albrow.

Uttlesford Food Bank.



If you go to their website at

https://uttlesford.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/virtualfood-basket/you can donate a virtual food basket in small, medium or family sizes. You can also make an online donation - cash is always welcome because they

can use it to fill any gaps in their stock.

If you're out shopping for your own essentials, there are donation points in Waitrose and Tescos in Saffron Walden.

In this CORONAVIRUS post crisis period the Foodbank is focusing on keeping these basics stocked up:

Tinned meat/ ready meals

Tinned vegetarian meals (e.g. vegetable curry/chilli, cheese ravioli)

Instant Mash Tinned vegetables

Tinned fruit Pasta Sauce

Gluten free food Microwaveable puddings

Long life juice Toiletries

Coffee

In Hadstock Lynn Smith is collecting items for the Food Bank, if you can help leave items in the box on her drive at -4 Moules Lane.

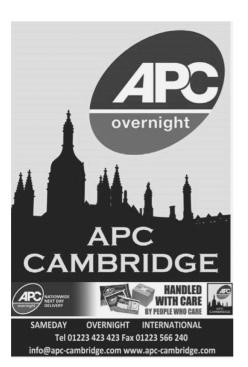
Play Equipment on the Rec is open to use!



The equipment has been cleaned and you will find wipes for cleaning touch points before and after use. We have also installed a hand sanitiser dispenser to help keep you safe.

The play equipment is there for your children to enjoy but please observe SOCIAL DISTANCING rules at all times and use common sense to stay safe. **Have Fun!**

Hadstock Parish Council



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EVENTS, ACTIVITIES and Fun

<u>Bin Collections</u> – Weds 9th and 23rd September for <u>Black</u> and Brown bins Weds 2nd, 16th and 30thSeptember for <u>Green</u> and Brown bins

Green Skip Service – Has restarted!

Now every other week. Next ones 12th and 26th September 10.30 Bilberry End for 15 mins, then V Green 10.50 for 40 mins Please observe social distancing while waiting.

Linton and District Historical Society

The Society is planning to run a season of talks (subject to Covid 19 restrictions). The first speaker will be:-

Paige Pope and a special guest on 'The history of the Dogs Trust' on Tuesday 15th September.

There is a note with the list, that all the meetings are booked with the speakers, but are subject to cancellation at short notice due to any unforeseen restrictions and availability of venues. **For details phone**

Margaret Creek on 893915 or email: idhscambs@probroadband.co.uk

Most of the other events we usually advertise are cancelled, postponed or generally off. We will let you know when normal service is resumed. Soon ...ish....!

Please note Clear Tax & Accounting Ltd new address is Unit 5, Lintech Court, The Grip Industrial Estate, Linton

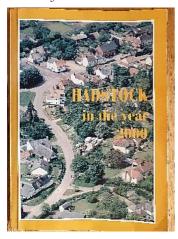
Hadstock Table Tennis

An enthusiastic group of Table Tennis players with a variety of skill levels meet fortnightly on Mondays (second and last Mondays each month) from 7:30pm-9pm at the village hall for casual games. Players: £2 per player per evening.

<u>Next dates</u>: We don't know yet! But look out for the resumption of 'socially distanced' Table Tennis. (SDTT) How long is a Table Tennis table ?? All welcome! **Just not yet!**

HADSTOCK IN THE YEAR 2020

Front Cover from Previous Book in year 2000



Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to this endeavour.

The photographs and text are now with the printers (Olly Plumridge)

Around 90% of the village is included so far - if you haven't sent in your photos yet, there is still time!

Each household will get a complimentary copy of the Book, hopefully in the autumn. Additional copies will be available to purchase for family members (price £7).

Please let us know if you would like to reserve spare copies, this won't be your only chance to request more but it will inform our initial print run.

Contact any of us if you would like your house photographed by us (no charge)

Sarah Lockton - sarahlockton@gmail.com or 01223 892987 Gill Butterworth - gillbee@hotmail.com Lynn Nuttall - lynnn50@hotmail.com or 01223 893355

It would be great if all the houses could be photographed *Sue Ed*

HADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL - RE OPENING!

There have now been 2 Village hall Trustee committee meetings held in person at the village hall with all members being set 2 metres apart and with all doors open so there was lots of fresh air, during our discussions.

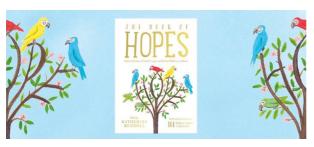
At the second meeting it was decided that the hall would be open for bookings again from 1st September and that we would hold our delayed AGM on Monday 28th of September with a Trustee committee meeting first at 7.30 then the AGM at 8.00pm. For social distancing to be maintained there will only be room for 6 members of the public to attend.

Song of Gladness

While in Lockdown I happened upon a reading by Michael Morpurgo, in his garden of this story he had written for the Book of Hopes published on the Literacy Trust website. The story begins with the song of a Blackbird.

I had been aware of just how much birdsong we could hear in our garden while there was no airplane noise and little traffic sound and in all the lovely sunshine. So I took notice of the poem and listened. It was beautiful and such a good idea.

The poem will be published this Autumn in the Book of Hopes, which is a collection of stories and poems and pictures edited by Katharine Rundell with contributions from more than 100 children's writers and illustrators.



The book will be sold in aid of NHS Charities Together.

You can read it now on the website for free. Have a look! Sue-Ed

www.literacytrust.org.uk/family-zone

Painted Bollard in Saffron Walden



The completed bollard

Sonia Villiers, one of Hadstock's, artists has painted one of the bollards in the Market Square in Saffron Walden.

She said,' Mark from SW Tourist Information Centre asked me to do the first bollard. I did a stencil for the green with car spray paint, then hand-painted the rest in enamel paint.

It is taken from my painting 'Museum Street in March', a painting I did about 10 years ago. I chose it because it is an iconic view with croci! or crocuses —

'Museum Street in March'



A mock- up of the design



Maggie's Time Quiz was published in the July Magazine. And NOW Time Quiz answers

Part One:

- 1. 'The times they are a changin' (Bob Dylan).
- 2. Every Time You Go Away (Paul Young).
- 3. 'The first time ever I saw your face the sun rose in your eyes' (Roberta Flack).
- 4. Time waits for no-one (Rolling Stones).
- 5. Andrea Bocelli Con te partiro.
- 6. George Michael Praying for Time.
- 7. Mani Purathayil Madhavan.
- 8. Seize the day/moment
- 9. Carol Ann Duffy Mean Time.
- 10. W.H. Auden.
- 11. James Joyce.
- 12. Richard the Second.
- 13. Richard the Second.
- 14. Hamlet.
- 15. Patience and Time.
- 16. 'Whether it's the best or worst of times, it's the only time we've got.'
- 17. It's later than we think.
- 18. 'A man who dares to waste one hour of time has not discovered the value of life.'
- 19. 'Your time is limited so don't waste it living someone else's life'.
- 20. 'Time is what we want most but what we use worst'.
- 21. 'Do not squander time for that is the stuff life is made of'.
- 22. 'Time is the devourer of everything.'
- 23. Albert Einstein 'The only reason for time is that everything doesn't happen at once'.
- 24. Truth.
- 25. Mother Teresa
- 26. 'Time is really the only capital that any human being has and the only thing he can't afford to lose'
- 27. Warren Buffet 'someone planted a tree a long time ago'
- 28. 'The right time is anytime that one is still so lucky as to have.'

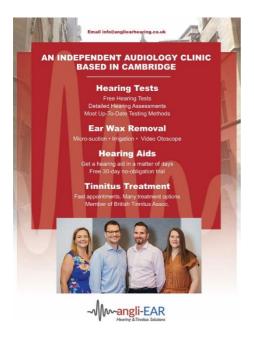
- 29. Time and tide.
- 30. Procrastination.
- 31. Tempus fugit.
- 32. A week.

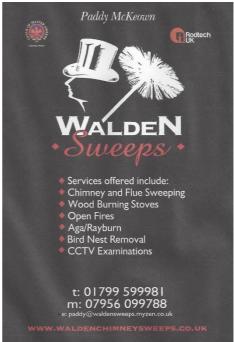
Part Two:

- 1. All the time in the world.
- 2. A whale of a time,
- 3. Pressed for time.
- 4. At this moment in time.
- 5. Locked in a time warp.
- 6. Time of your life
- 7. In the right place at the right time
- 8. Maybe some other time
- 9. Right on time
- 10. For such a long time
- 11. Long time no see
- 12. Once upon a time
- 13. Time hangs headily on my hands
- 14. From time to time
- 15. I'll bide my time
- 16. For the umpteenth time
- 17. Lost in the mists of time
- 18. A race against time
- 19. Living on borrowed time
- 20. In the nick of time
- 21. Pushed for time
- 22. Time Gentlemen (Ladies) please
- 23. From time immemorial
- 24. Give someone the time of day

Anyone get it all right? Well Done!







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Councillor James De Vries Party: Residents for Uttlesford

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London Road, Saffron Walden, Essex CB11 4ER

THE HUNDRED PARISHES SOCIETY

www.hundredparishes.org.uk

We continue to add circular walk routes to the Society's website so I would like to repeat last month's encouragement for people to go and try them. There is no need to travel far.



The walks range in distance from 1 mile to 10 miles. The routes have been chosen for the quality of scenery or heritage, or both, and the route descriptions seek to add to your knowledge of the places you pass.

Each route description can easily be downloaded from the Other Walks section of www.hundredparishes.org.uk – and then printed. We try to make the route description as easy as possible to follow and we have a small team of volunteers who check them. We welcome feedback and comment.

Shorter walks tend to focus on a single interesting town or village, for example Bartlow, Clavering, Great Dunmow, Hatfield Broad Oak, Hildersham, Much Hadham, Sawbridgeworth, Stebbing or Thaxted. Some routes combine town and countryside, for example from Buntingford, Saffron Walden or Standon. Others are mainly countryside routes, such as those starting from Broxted, Henham, Little Hadham, Matching or Wareside.

Some routes range over two or more parishes, for example 7 miles between Pleshey and Great Waltham or 8 miles between Albury, Braughing and Furneux Pelham. Two different routes run between Finchingfield and Great Bardfield. An 8-miler starting from Chrishall passes through four parishes and offers extensive views from upland paths in the Essex / Cambridgeshire border area.

These are just some examples to give you a flavour and to whet your appetite. If your favourite place isn't mentioned yet we are regularly adding new walks. Even if you think you know your local area, I assure you that, not far away, there is more to be found and enjoyed!

Ken McDonald, Secretary.

Photos from Other Walks:



1: Broxted

2: Chrishall Church (in the distance)





3: Great Dunmow

More Photographs from the One Hundred Parish Walks 4: Little Hadham



5: Matching





6: Thundridge

More garden wildlife at Yew Trees Farmhouse

Another bird. A pair of fly catchers spent a couple of hours in July trying out a nesting site but eventually gave up and we haven't seen them since. The bird has a brown back with a silvery breast slightly mottled at the throat and unsurprisingly catches flying insects.

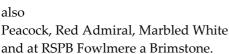




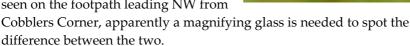
Not in our garden but at Whipsnade Zoo, our grandson was eating a ham sandwich when a red kite stole the sandwich out of his hand, tearing his t-shirt in the process. - so beware!

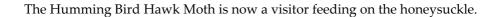
Butterflies seen recently

– Comma, Gatekeeper, Small Tortoiseshell, Small White, Painted Lady,



A Small Skipper or an Essex Skipper seen on the footpath leading NW from





Greg Walker.



HADSTOCK CORONAVIRUS HELP

Hello!

If you need any help then just call <u>any</u> of the people listed below.

Rick or Sue Albrow	01223 893837	Bartlow Road
Sara Porter	01223 890062	Bilberry End, Orchard Pightle
Katrina Gittins	01223 890457	Linton Road
Lynne Smith	01223 890750	Moules Lane
Bev Dole	01223 897919	Walden Road
Sarah Lockton	01223 892987	Walden Road
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Just ask: -shopping, prescriptions, dog walking, a chat, posting mail

You can use the rest of this page to draw your own Rainbow or write a shopping list or make a paper aeroplane or write a note to the milk person, or do a design for your own mask or use it as a book mark, or wrap your sandwich in it or prop up a table leg or vote for tree of the year, or practice your golf (you would have to draw the hole first)or use it to play with the cat or write a to-do list for this week or last week or just leave it **blank**.