

Hadstock Magazine



MAY 2021

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Beginnings – Editors Page

Dear Readers,

Are you feeling more positive? Do you feel we are getting back to more like normal again? Have you had your haircut? Are you feeling brave or more inclined to take the unlocking of our lives more slowly? For me it varies from day to day and I've noticed that I feel much braver when the sun shines!



Bluebells! Of the month?

It certainly feels much more like the Mag is back to normal. Its bursting with words this month. You have sent in so much, so thank you. I've even had to leave various items over until next month when I guess it will also be bursting with words and requests for cakes and plants and bric-a-brac (what is that exactly?) so that I will have to hold things over until the next month and so it goes on - I hope. However, no one managed to send in a bird of the month! I am so disappointed there are so many out there and all still singing like lockdown will never end! Sorry I didn't mean that it will really. So I have had to improvise (see above). Perhaps someone can send in something 'of the month' for June, please?

Please enjoy the Hadstock Society feature written by Crocky on the Hadstock Festival in 1970 for the 950th anniversary of the founding of St Botolph's. You will be amazed by how they celebrated and how many people were involved and it was so international. Really, I have run out of room now. Enjoy the merry month of May.

Best wishes,

Sue

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Parish Church of St Botolph's

MAY 2021

: Do you ever feel that you are living through a moment of history?



I think we are. I think future generations will want to study the COVID pandemic and its effect on society, just as many of us learnt about the Black Death and the Great Plague. I think they will be interested in the life and death of the Duke of Edinburgh, and his impact on the monarchy, this country and indeed the Commonwealth.

And it's a sobering thought that, to the best of my knowledge, NOBODY living in Hadstock today can remember a time before he was born.

As so often, it's only at the end of someone's life that you get the widest picture of what they did. Had you heard before about the baby Prince Philip travelling in an orange box for a crib when the family went into exile; or realised that he was so involved in creating playing fields for young city children? I hadn't. And if you watched the funeral on television, with the moving procession behind his coffin on that specially adapted Land Rover, you may have sensed something very special, very individual, happening before your eyes.

The 8-day national mourning may have felt special too: the longest such period I can remember in my adult lifetime. We've noted the impact as television presenters sought out their black ties and jackets: women presenters searched for a black dress – some of which might well have been their Christmas party dresses. This was a moment which was different: a moment to remember, and to talk about in the future.

As we celebrate 1000 years in the life of this village, I wonder what future generations may make of us, when they study the records from our time. Imagine a researcher into local history 100 years on trawling through a pile of Hadstock Magazines, or looking at the village website – if technology still allows them to access it. I hope they would feel that in this community people pulled together; that there was a lot of fun, activity, creativity, art, awareness of the natural world and creation; and that people cared for and looked out for each other.

As life – we hope and pray – continues to open up over these next months, let us endeavour to live in a way that those who come after us may say '*That* was a good community'.

With my prayers and best wishes for you all: and please remember that I am just at the end of the phone if you would like to chat. *Paula*

SERVICES AT ST BOTOLPH'S

Sunday Services for May and the first week of June, all at 9.30am:

Sunday 2 May	Family Service: Jesus, the true vine
Sunday 9 May	Holy Communion – Book of Common Prayer
Sunday 16 May	Holy Communion – Common Worship
Sunday 23 May	Holy Communion – Common Worship
Sunday 30 May	No service at Hadstock Church

Sunday 6 June Family Service

Tuesday Morning Prayer is back in the church each week at 8.30 am.

There will also be a zoom (only)service for **Ascension Day: Thursday 13 May**
Holy Communion – Common Worship from the church at **7.30pm**

Sadly, the church is CLOSED outside service times at present because of COVID. It is open for private prayer and reflection by prior arrangement – please contact Janice Snell (Tel 01223 892338) who will be happy to arrange a mutually convenient time.

For the time being services are still held under COVID restrictions on social distancing. Booking is therefore required for some services.

Please remember your face mask.

To book where needed, or to receive the weekly email Worship Bulletin with details of services and service sheets, please contact Paula on 01799 599141

Laughter!

Just a line to say how lovely it was over the Easter weekend to hear the sound of lots of laughter coming from lots of gardens after so long being in isolation - the sun was shining and it really made for a good feeling - and the hope that there is light at the end of the tunnel! Fingers crossed for another great summer!

Thanks Janey

Hadstock - News, - Events, - Happenings, Reports

CONFIRMATION ON EASTER EVE

After two postponements because of COVID, the Bishop of Colchester, the Rt Revd Roger Morris, came to St Botolph's Church, on Saturday 3 April – Easter Eve – to Confirm five members of our congregation – Melanie Abbiss, Charli Batley, Benedict Hannam, Cecily Hannam and Felix Hannam.

The Bishop said 'What a joy it was to be here at this most special time in the Christian year to confirm these wonderful people in their Christian faith!'

It was a real privilege to have the Bishop with us. In spite of continuing COVID restrictions it was wonderful that our five candidates could at last take this significant step of faith in their local village church. Having the service just before Easter made it especially joyous. I have greatly enjoyed our discussions in preparing for confirmation, and wish them every blessing as they continue to grow in their Christian life. *Paula*



Bishop Roger with the candidates after the service



Hadstock Book Club

Currently Reading 'A Gentleman in Moscow' by Amor Towler chosen by Amanda. Meeting on 26 April at 8.00pm on zoom. Report in June

The next meeting which may be outside in a garden, if all goes well with the government roadmap, will be on Monday 17th May and the book being discussed is 'The Midnight Library' by Matt Haig, chosen by me.

ST BOTOLPH'S ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

St Botolph's Annual Parochial Church Meeting, for the election of churchwarden(s), to hear and receive reports on the work of the PCC, and to elect members of the PCC, took place on Sunday 28 March.

As in the previous few years, we had no nominations for a churchwarden.

The Church's Electoral Roll now numbers 45.

Elections were held for two PCC places, as Peter Jarritt and Janice Snell had both completed their terms. Peter has now stood down; Martin Hannam was elected in his place. Janice was eligible for re-election, and was elected for a further term.

The new PCC appointed Mel Abbiss as Secretary, in place of Moire Jarritt who has also stood down. Peter and Moire were presented with a book token in thanks for their sterling service to the PCC over the past 14 years.

The current members of the PCC are:

Tim Boyden	Patricia Croxton-Smith
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Janey Devlin	Martin Hannam
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Ann Seward	Malcolm Seward
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Janice Snell

supported by Mel Abbiss (Secretary) and Rick Albrow (Fabric Officer).

A personal note from me: my deep thanks to all the members past and present. As I said in my report, despite all the pressures of COVID, and restrictions often imposed at short notice, it has been good to see how the church community has faced the challenges and adapted to them. I have felt privileged to have been in Hadstock and taken my part in the story of St Botolph's alongside so many volunteers who have done so much for the church in the village.

Paula for Hadstock PCC

Holiday rent in or near Hadstock?

Hamish Mcilwrick's brother Rod and his wife Elisabeth are looking for a small place to stay when they come to tidy up Hamish's house. 4 weeks, probably in June.

Just the basics: bed, a corner to cook, WC.

A place to sit outside would be nice.

All suggestions are very welcome! [Email: mcilwrick@gmail.com](mailto:mcilwrick@gmail.com)



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HADSTOCK 1020-2020:

A THOUSAND YEARS IN THE LIFE OF A VILLAGE - PLUS ONE!

Provided that Steps 3 and 4 of the Government's roadmap actually proceed as planned and the unlocking of society continues, we now hope to run some of our delayed Millennium live events before the end of June!

See elsewhere in this month's Magazine for details of the Walk on 23 May planned by Gill Butterworth, and of the Historic Exhibition and Art Exhibition now being planned for the afternoon of 26 June, coinciding with the Mini-Fete.

Please be patient! There is still many a slip.... But let us hope that these events will celebrate our community over the last 1000 years and its life today, as we emerge from well over a year of challenging COVID lockdown and restrictions.

Look out also for the new Community Archive pages which will appear on the Hadstock website in the coming months, with a fascinating range of pictures, podcasts, documents and much more! hadstock.org.uk

THANKS to all who have been planning and developing the many activities to celebrate this special milestone in the life of our village, and to our grant givers. *Paula*



Sheep, and lambs
born on Easter
Monday from Janice
Snell's flock.
More info and
pictures
next month.



Hadstock Parish Boundary 'Rogation' Walk: 23 May 2021

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for the walk so far. I will send an email round with further details closer to the date.

A reminder for those still considering:

- 'Beating the bounds' is an ancient custom dating back to Anglo Saxon times at least, which involved swatting local landmarks with branches to maintain a shared mental map of parish boundaries. There's an interesting Wikipedia entry on the tradition.
- The walk is around 11km (8 miles) and much of it is over private land so we will need to stay together and keep to the route being agreed with local landowners.
- There will be a number of stopping places for refreshments/lunch (bring your own), and chance to gather, so expect to be out for about 3-4 hours.

Please let Gill know at gillbee@hotmail.com if you would like to come.

There are a maximum of 30 places in line with expected COVID guidance at the time, with almost 20 taken already.

It would be nice to have some children and young people with us, and someone to document the walk in some way for posterity.

HADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL AGM.

Monday 24 May at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

We usually hold our AGM in April but this year have decided to delay until Monday 24th May so that the Village Hall will be open for this public meeting.

From 17th May we will be able to accommodate indoor events for around 40 people. After such a prolonged period of inactivity we would welcome ideas from anyone who is interested in helping to restore our Village Hall to an active community hub.

Please direct your thoughts and propositions in the first place to either Kirsty or myself.

Lynn Nuttall - lynnn50@hotmail.com Kirsty Hutchinson – kahutch01@gmail.com

News from the Mallyons Flock



Lambing was very successful this year with 6 sets of twins and 3 single lambs, and I didn't have to get up once in the middle of the night.

Their names are Milly, Molly, Mandy, Max and Merlin, Maggie and May, Mini, Manyara and Mojo, Mary and Monty, Misty, Midnight and Mocha, Minerva and Malteser.

The lambs have been enjoying the warmer sunny days.

Maggie and May

Sadly the last lamb to be born, Malteser, was rejected by her mother so we are having to bottle feed her. The nights have been very cold and without her mother to keep her warm I made her a coat. Malteser is shown wearing the latest in Barbour fashion! She has now moved into the house (only at night).



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She has now moved into the house (only at night).

Tasker the Nanny with Malteser



Malteser with her toy



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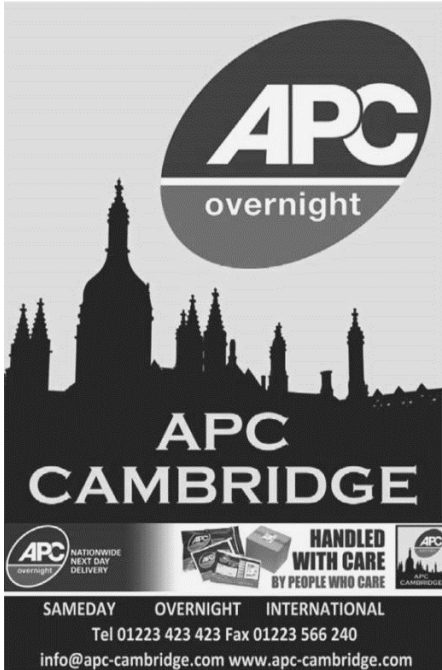
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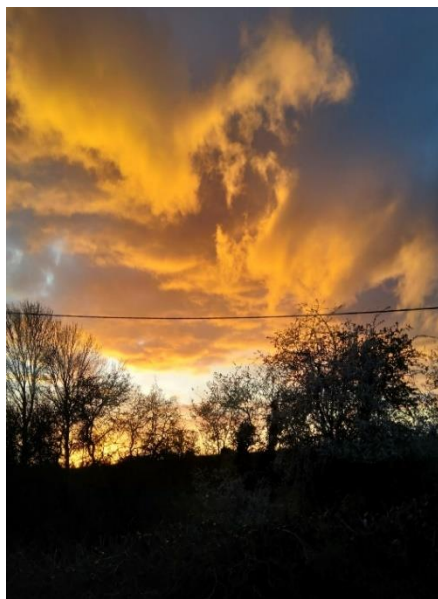
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'Sunset over Len's Path'- Moire Jarritt

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The play equipment is there for your children to enjoy!

Please observe SOCIAL DISTANCING
rules at all times and use common sense to stay safe.
Please Have Fun!

Hadstock Parish Council

Welcome to Hadstock!

Wayne and Yvonne Huckle have moved into No 3 Bilberry End,
from Thaxted.

We hope you will be very happy here!

EVENTS, ACTIVITIES and Fun

BIN COLLECTIONS – Weds 12th and 26th May for Black and Brown bins
 Weds 5th and 19th May for Green and Brown bins
Green Skip:- Saturdays 8th and 22nd May 10.30 to 11.30 Collection from Bilberry End (15 mins), then Village Green (40 mins)

Hadstock Parish Council

Next meeting in the village hall on Thursday 27 May at 7.30pm. Contact the parish clerk for details which are also sent out on Hadstock Info and put on the Village notice board by the shop.

Details of the agenda are published on the Parish Council section of the village website which is: -www.hadstock.org.uk

Hadstock Society – community history and heritage.

Secretary : Maggie Hartley at hadstockociety21@gmail.com

Hadstock Village Hall see ad in this magazine for how to hire when is again possible.

Hadstock Silver Band normally meets Tuesdays at the V. hall Contact: Lesley Jenkinson 07766 540926

Bell Ringing practice night at St Botolph's normally Thursdays. Contact: Gilbert Rowlandson 01223 892882 or Janice Snell 01223 892338

Bridge Club normally Weds at the V. hall contact: Lyn Faulkner on 01223 890815

Table Tennis 7.30 -9.00, normally meets at the V hall on 2nd and last Monday each month. Contact: Peter Jarritt 01223 897886

Linton Area Learning Alliance (LALA) Normally meets on Tuesday mornings in the Village hall in Linton. Autumn and Spring terms. Currently via zoom. Contact Sue Mudge 01223 892737

Linton and District Historical soc. Meets Tuesday evenings Linton Village hall. Contact Margaret Creek 01223 893915 or email: ldscams@pobroadband.co.uk for detail

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Friends of St Botolph's Church, Hadstock – AGM



The AGM will be held in the garden of Mallyons in Bartlow Road, Hadstock.

(under cover if wet)

Conforming to Covid-19 Virus regulations

**On Wednesday 26th May 2021
at 5.00pm**

The Objects of the Friends

The objects of the Friends ("the Objects") shall be, for the benefit of the public, to restore, preserve, repair, maintain and improve the beauty of the Church of St. Botolph Hadstock in the Diocese of Chelmsford and the churchyard belonging to the Church, it's paths and boundary walls and the monuments, fittings, fixtures, stained glass, furniture, ornaments and chattels in the Church

There are vacancies on the committee. - If you would like to join us, please contact me.

Robin Betser - Secretary

Magazine Subscriptions

Magazine subscriptions have been coming in well but there are still some out there who have not paid. Will you please let us have your £10 payment, either by bank transfer using the account details below or by dropping off cash to one of the addresses below.

Many thanks, Tim Boyden

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Waylands, Village Green

2021 Mini Fête – Saturday 26th June ?



By the time you read this we will have passed Step 2 of the Government's Roadmap out of Lockdown and will be looking forward with anticipation towards Steps 3 and particularly 4 (21st June) when we hope that there will be relaxation on meeting generally. Against this background, two groups have been meeting and contingency planning; the Millennium (1020 – 2020 A thousand Years in the Life of a Village) Group and the Fête Group.

This update is directed towards whether there can be some form of Fête - community event post-Step 4 and what form that will take and when. Sadly, after considerable planning a sizeable part of the Church's Millennium celebrations in 2020 were lost or deferred. Availability of a sizeable grant from Lottery Heritage Fund originally to be used during that year was, through the efforts of Paula Griffiths, extended until 30th June 2021 but no longer.

The Millennium Group have therefore to make use of the grant by the end of June which means that some events that were to run in tandem with the Fête must be used on Saturday 26th June. The Fête Group met and we have the framework of a mini-Fête we can plan as a 'Village out-of-Lockdown community event.'

We are proposing the following, based around the Village Hall and the Church surrounding grassed area:

Tea and cakes in the VH;

Book stall;

Bric-a-brac stall;

Krazy kitchen;

Plant stall;

Cake stall;

Millennium Art exhibition in the Church;

Hadstock Society historical exhibition in the Church;

The event would last from 2-4pm;

There would be an evening get together based around the VH. It would take the form of a "bring & share" informal meal partly in the VH itself (we do not know what occupancy level would be allowed) plus outside seating under gazebos and tenting). Villagers would bring their own drinks thus avoiding any alcohol licence.

There is a possibility we might have The Hadstock Silver Band during the afternoon to play in the VH garden. As yet they are unable to rehearse, so watch this space.

Continued....

2021 Mini Fete continued

All of this is to aim to bring together all Hadstockians both longstanding and recently arrived as our first community get-together event for what then will be 18 months. In the process we can raise some funds, much needed, for both the Church and Village Hall.

As well as the above, one element that will take place will be the Fête Draw. Last year, being ultra-efficient I had the tickets, all 1200 of them, printed and available in January ready for distribution. We propose to use these for this year and will be delivering 2 x books of 5 tickets to each household in the hope that £10 per household will enable a healthy surplus to be made after taking out the prize money. Details of this will come with the tickets.

More details will be issued as we are able. As usual, this works with everybody contributing in some form or another. Please put this date in your diaries; a chance to meet and socialise properly with our friends and neighbours in the Village for the first time and enjoy each other's company. In the process there would be the satisfaction of raising some sorely needed funds for the Church and Village Hall.

Fête Group – Tim Boyden

From the Hadstock Society

– Have you any old village photos?

As part of the delayed Millennium celebrations, on 26th June, Covid restrictions permitting, the society is mounting an exhibition relating to Hadstock's history.

It will include a looped Power Point display of old photographs of the village, its people and events. These will come from the existing archive, which can be viewed on our section of the village website and which we are also seeking to expand. If you have old photos, or know of any we would be very grateful if we could include them.

An important event that we know of, but for which we have no photographic record was the Hadstock Festival held in 1970 to mark the 950th anniversary of St. Botolph's Church. (You can read Crocky's interesting account of the festival later on, in the Hadstock Magazine.)

Please contact me if have or know of any such photos.

Lorna Mufty on behalf of The Hadstock Society

lckmufty@btinternet.com



! Plants Plants Plants !

Hadstock Mini Fête

Saturday 26th June

Please, Please help us to run a successful stall by offering us your spare garden plants of any variety.

Shrubs – Fruit or Veg Plants - Flowering Plants –Exotics!

Please drop them off in the week commencing 21st June.

At: Rosedale Lodge, Walden Road (John and Sarah Lockton)

Or: On the morning of the Fête: outside the Village Hall

Please support our stall and the Mini Fête.

Thank You!

Any questions at all:

Denise Wells 890049

John and Sarah Lockton 892987

Email: sarahlockton@gmail.com



ART NEWS!

Sue Walker and Sonia Villiers are exhibiting in the **Cambridge Drawing Society On-Line Exhibition** which is now live until 23rd May.

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Hadstock 1020-2020 and Mini Fete 26th June 2021

1020 Tea Room 2020

Dear Hadstocians

Volunteers are needed to please

The return of Village Hall Teas

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Sonia x



Hadstock Village Hall 100 Club has restarted
April Winners are: -

No. 26 Will Albrow £25.00

No. 83 Phil Doel £25.00

Congratulations!!

Letter to the Editor

Hi Sue.

I know this is something you regularly comment on in the village mag, I've just been to the recreation ground with my grandchildren and I'd like to thank the inconsiderate dog owner who failed to clean up after their dog, leaving the deposit right outside the play area gate for everyone to tread in. Thankfully I saw it before my grandchildren went in it. I don't know what the answer is to this problem, the village supplies a bin and the bags to clean up but obviously this person doesn't care. Short of having CCTV or someone personally patrolling the field, these inconsiderate locals will just keep getting away with it. I own a dog myself, needless to say, I clean up after him and it annoys me that other owners don't bother. Thanks Peter Bingham *Thanks Peter for reminding us all about this I'm hoping this is just someone being distracted by looking at their phone or chatting and not noticing what their dog is up to. It is so important to remember to clean up after our dogs to help keep everyone healthy, and protect unsuspecting children. Sue-Ed.*





Parish Council Meetings

Back in early Covid days the Government passed temporary legislation to allow local authorities, including parish councils, to hold virtual meetings. This has been very successful and has allowed the Parish Council to function almost as normal. This legislation expires on May 7th and, disappointingly, the Government has decided not to pass new legislation to allow virtual meetings to continue. All Parish Council meetings will now have to be held in the Village Hall with appropriate Covid safety measures.

The next Parish Council meeting will be in the Village Hall on Thursday May 27 at 19.30. This will be the Annual General Meeting at which Chair and Vice-Chair are elected.

Annual Meeting of the Parish

Before parish councils came into existence in 1894 each parish held Parish Meetings which dealt with such matters as levying rates and appointment of officers and churchwardens. We have the minute book from 1856. The law still requires there to be an Annual Meeting of the Parish to be held between March and June 1st. The temporary legislation allowed there to be no meeting in 2020 but now we find that to comply with the law an Annual Meeting of the Parish needs to be held by June 1st and this has to be an actual rather than virtual meeting. This is not a Parish Council meeting but an opportunity for the Council to report on its activities and local government electors to ask questions and discuss any matter of relevance to the village that they want. In past years there have been up to 30 attendees and recognising that many in the village will not be comfortable with attending a meeting like this in the Village Hall in May, a further public meeting will be held later in the year when circumstances allow. This will give the opportunity for a proper discussion; however, you are still very welcome to attend the 'official' Annual Meeting on Thursday May 20th at 19.30 in the Village Hall.

Rick Albrow. Chairman Hadstock Parish Council.

Finally, the Parish Council would be grateful for villagers' support in identifying new 'Hadstockers' so that no one gets left out of receiving one of the 'Love Hadstock' bags and the very useful contents, when they move into the Village Hall. Please could you let Jude Hannam know cllrhannam@google.com or any other councillor.

Hadstock Festival, 1970

For many years we have believed that our Church was that built by King Cnut to commemorate those killed at the Battle of Assandun in 1016. His Church was completed and dedicated in 1020. In 1970, we decided to have a Festival during the late May Bank Holiday weekend to celebrate the 950th anniversary of the Church. This was before Warwick Rodwell carried out the excavations that discovered that the Church was on the site of a much older one. We were just starting a major restoration programme and needed to raise a lot of money. We were lucky to get a list of important Patrons, which included The Lord Lieutenant for Essex (Sir John Ruggles-Brise), the Archbishop of Canterbury (Dr. Michael Ramsey), the Chairman of Essex County Council (Brigadier T.F.J. Collins), the Lord Bishop of Chelmsford, the High Sheriff of Cambridge and Mrs. A.G.G. Marshall, the Lord Bishop of Colchester, our MP Peter Kirk, the Chairman of the Rural District Council, Viscountess Caldecote, Lord Braybrooke, Lord Butler of Saffron Walden, Vice-Admiral Sir Gilbert Stephenson, Sir Patrick and Lady Hamilton, and many others.

The village got Festival Fever and nearly everyone was involved. Friends from Saffron Walden, Linton and Ashdon, said, "You haven't got enough pairs of hands", and volunteered to help out. A troop of Senior Scouts from Enfield, who had camped here to get their horseman badges, camped here again and helped with parking cars and moving seating etc. around the village as needed. Their leader had worked for some years for Jock Dawson. Members of the Cambridge University Scout and Guide Club, who helped with teaching boys to ride, came over for the weekend. They manned exhibitions during the day and slept in the Church at night to guard exhibits. Poor fellows, the police woke them each night at about 3 a.m. to know if all was well!

The Danish Embassy was contacted and asked if anyone would care to represent Denmark. The Cultural Attaché, Mr. Harry Agerback, phoned to suggest that someone should come from Aalborg where the Cathedral was dedicated to St. Budolfi and would we like the Bishop or the Dean. We said we did not mind so Mr. Agerback suggested the Dean as the Bishop had just had a trip abroad. If we could include a talk by the Dean, their Foreign Office would pay his fare. Naturally, a talk was fitted into the programme.

The Festival began on Friday, 22nd May with a Pop Dance for young folk in a marquee on the Recreation Ground and a performance of *The Merchant of Venice* by Studio Theatre Group in the garden of Glebe House. In the Church an Exhibition of Antiquities and Hobbies was open throughout the weekend, with an Exhibition of Arts and Crafts and a Flower Arranging competition in the Village Hall. On the Saturday afternoon, a Fancy-Dress Parade from the Village Green to the Recreation Ground was led by the Hadstock Silver Band and this was followed by children's sports. In the evening there was a Dance/Barbecue in the marquee. The Band performed daily and there were also stalls and sideshows. Teas were served daily in the White House barn (now rebuilt as New Barn

Close). There was a bar every evening on the Recreation Ground and soft drinks were available at all times.

Sunday began with a Service of Holy Communion in the Church, with the Dean assisting.

The exhibitions continued. In the afternoon, the Hadstock Rangers Football Club were trounced by the Ex-Spurs All Stars team but the match was enjoyed by all the spectators. The Dean gave a very interesting talk about Aalborg and its Cathedral and brought greetings and gifts from the Mayor of Aalborg to the “Mayor” of Hadstock! Arthur Simons, Chairman of the Parish Council, replied and presented the Dean with an album of photographs of Hadstock and its activities. Evensong was held on the Recreation Ground.

On Monday, the exhibitions continued. For most of the day there was a gymkhana on the big field beyond Dormer Thatch next to the Recreation Ground. Dean Borg Rosen was staying with Jasper and Joan Rootham at Lower Farm and they had intended to take him to Cambridge and Ely but the Dean said he was too busy and spent the day, jacket off, shirt sleeves rolled up, filling up water tanks for thirsty ponies! He appeared to enjoy himself enormously. We kept in touch with the Dean for many years and several Hadstocians visited Aalborg. There was also a Tug-of-War and a grand Finale and Draw to close an exhausting but very enjoyable weekend. We did not make an awful lot of money but ended up well in profit, which a lot of events that year failed to do. John Streatfeild, the Treasurer, ended up with 1s.3d. more than he thought he should have and was quite worried!

The Festival year continued with a Pilgrimage by the Companions of Saint Francis on Saturday, 13th June. That evening there was a concert in the Church by Choral Scholars of Kings College; as an interlude, an Organ Scholar played Haydn’s Three Pieces for Musical Clock, on our little Victorian Organ. He was brilliant – he is now Sir Andrew Davis, well-known conductor. We also had a visit from Count Ove Scheel, the head of the Danish Community in this country and a cousin of their King. He presented us with the Dannebrog, the Danish Flag, which is now in the N. Transept. He also, later in the summer, brought Prince Georg of Denmark, a noted archaeologist, to visit the Church. The Prince was standing on the drive at the White House, when a young Scout (camping there with his troop) walked up and asked who he was. The Prince replied, “Prince Georg of Denmark”, and the scout retorted, “and I am old King Cole”. The boy was shattered when he was told off and found it really was the Prince. After all, who would expect to find a Prince in Hadstock?

Written by Pat Croxton – Smith (Crocky)

SHORT NOTES SHORT NOTES SHORT NOTES SHORTS...

'Stop Stansted Expansion' to be succeeded by 'Stansted Airport Watch'
Stop Stansted Expansion has announced its intention to bring an end to almost 19 years of campaigning under the SSE banner, to be replaced by Stansted Airport Watch (SAW). The proposed rebranding of SSE forms part of a number of changes to be recommended for approval at the AGM of SSE's parent organisation in May.
SSE Chairman, Peter Sanders, explained the rationale for the changes .

"Regardless of the outcome of the recent Public Inquiry, it is very unlikely that Stansted will apply for any further increase in its capacity for many years to come. As a result of Covid-19, the current planning cap of 35 million passengers per annum is not expected to be reached within the next decade and it is questionable whether permission to grow to 43mppa – i.e. the issue at stake at the Public Inquiry – will ever be needed."

For more details see info@stopstanstedexpansion.com



Cut your bills and boost your income!

It is estimated that more than 3,000 households in Uttlesford may be struggling to pay their utility bills or cutting back on their use of gas or electricity to pay for other household essentials. This may be because they are out of work, managing a on low income or living in an energy-

inefficient property.

The good news is that there is lots of help available. A team of energy specialists at Uttlesford Citizens Advice can check your benefit entitlements and offer advice on energy efficiency measures and home improvement grants. They can also compare deals and help you switch to a lower tariff; provide support to manage fuel related or any other debts and access emergency funds on your behalf, if needed. Last year the team helped more than 200 families cut their bills, securing over £53,000 in additional benefits and grants. So, remember, warm homes help is not just for winter! Why not give the team a call? Getting in touch is easy. Simply call 01799 618858 or email

warmhomes@uttlesfordca.org.uk . Advice is always completely free and confidential.

THE HUNDRED PARISHES SOCIETY

www.hundredparishes.org.uk

Will appear again next month...





Uttlesford Food Bank.

Aims to give families and individuals in crisis three days' worth of food and essentials.

YOU CAN ALSO BUY A VIRTUAL FOOD PARCEL

Go to the website at [https://uttlesford.foodbank.org.uk/give-](https://uttlesford.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/virtual-food-basket/)

[help/virtual-food-basket/](https://uttlesford.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/virtual-food-basket/) you can donate a virtual food basket in small, medium or family sizes.

You can also make an online donation – this is always welcome because they can use it to fill any gaps in their stock. And useful as not so many people are going out to shop at the moment and having deliveries.

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

Also the Foodbank warehouse, at Shire Hill Saffron Walden, CB11 3AQ is open 7 days a week from 9.00. Please leave donations in the crate in the Corridor

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.

Don't forget to Vote on 6 May at the Village Hall in the County Council Elections for the Thaxted Division.

There are 5 candidates standing for the Green Party, Residents for Uttlesford, Conservatives, Labour and Liberal Democrats.

See www.essex.gov.uk and search for county council elections to find a list of candidates for our division or search on individual party sites. You may even have had an election leaflet through the door

The election for the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for Essex is also being held at the same time. There are 4 candidates: -

Roger Hirst – Conservative Party.

Robin Charles William Tilbrook - English Democrat.

Chris Vince – Labour Party.

Jon Whitehouse – Liberal Democrat Party.

For details and policies of these see choosemypcc.org.uk/candidates/essex
