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Dear Readers,

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It comes round soon!

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HADSTOCK FETE

SATURDAY 14TH JUNE 2025 2pm – 5pm

with
Wellie Wanging
Stalls and games
Tea and cake
Beer and Pimms
Hadstock Silver Band
Sheep shearing

Tug of War The Auction and loads more

The Fete Team have been busy making plans for this year's Fete PLEASE DO GET IN TOUCH IF YOU CAN HELP IN ANY WAY contact Lou on 07806 557654 Lou, Lynne, Sarah, Nick and Victoria



Parish Church of St Botolph's June 2025 Jeremy writes: -

The Diocese of Chelmsford is currently prevaricating over whether or not to run a clergy conference.

These events used to be a regular feature of clergy

life; a good opportunity to be updated on Diocesan matters; receive some training and spiritual input, and have a moan about parishes (I think that's called networking). Such conferences don't happen so often these days. In fact, the last one I attended was in 2018. The ability to keep in touch by other means, "gather" large numbers via the internet, and the simple cost have meant they are rarer now. I don't know if this proposal will get off the ground. It sounds like we feel we ought to, but we can't really make up our minds if we want to. The first time I attended one of these though things were quite different. I was a green curate with just a few months' experience under my belt. Most of the faces were still strange to me and, not knowing if all the senior clergy had a sense of humour, I was a little intimidated. That's where the accommodation at the conference centre came in handy. You see, it was quite an old place and few of the rooms were en-suite. Meeting an unshaven Archdeacon stumbling down the corridor in their pyjamas early in the morning immediately undermined any sense of intimidation that either they wished to project, or I perceived. Here they were, mere mortals like me. Sadly, the accommodation has been upgraded, and new curates no longer get the benefit of the primitive bathroom arrangements. Self-confidence is a tricky thing. Most of us tend to be either lacking in it or possessing too much – self-deprecating or continued on next page arrogant.

Either way we suffer from a misapprehension of our own worth and standing, and others do too as a result. Christianity has what I believe is a helpful response to all this; "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace" (Romans 3:23). It acknowledges a simple and honest truth; that we have all done wrong and made a mess of things. Yet this is not the end of the matter, for our wrongdoing is undone by God's own goodness. Because of that we may think well of ourselves with some justification. The public perception of Christianity is often that it simply pulls people down with all its "thou-shalt-nots", and the Church has certainly been guilty of this at times. Sorry. The deeper truth is that the Christian message both pulls us down to earth with its uncompromising truth about wrongdoing, but also exalts us with a message of restoration and new hope. That's why we call the 5 Parish News: June 2025 Gospel message the "good news". It is good news for all of us; irrespective of our lack of confidence or arrogance; and, irrespective of what we look like in our pyjamas. Please don't dwell on that last image.

Best wishes, Jeremy

Jeremy Trew is Team Rector for Saffron Walden and Villages Team Area Dean for Saffron Walden, part of the Diocese of Chelmsford His address is:-

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You can read more of Jeremy's Trew's past letters on the St Mary's website www.stmaryssaffronwalden.org where there are other interesting items too.



SERVICES AT ST BOTOLPH'S June 2025



Sunday services this month are at 9.00am

Sunday 1st June

Holy Communion

Led by Andy Colebrooke

Sunday 8th June

No Service in St Botolph's

Sunday 15th June

Home Team Service Led by Tim and Rob

Sunday 22nd June

No Service in St Botolph's

Sunday 29th June

No Service in St Botolph's----

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

The church is open every day between 9.00 am and 4.00 pm for private prayer.

Lou Symes Thompson, Chair.



The Friends of St Botolph's Church is a registered charity so any donations are eligible for Gift Aid. Charity number 1096540.

Hadstock - News, - Events, - Happenings, Reports

Hadstock Village Hall 100 Club



Here are the MAY 100 CLUB Winners 2025-

No. £25

No £25

Sorry no numbers at the time of going to press!

A very 'Big Thank You' to all the Village Hall 100 Club members for their subscriptions for the coming year's Draw from the Village Hall Committee.

ASHDON PRIMARY SCHOOL - Ashdon, Essex CB10 2HB - School Office - 01799 584219 - Website www.ashdon.essex.sch.uk. Ashdon Primary School is the catchment school for Hadstock Village with Essex County Council, currently, providing free transport for those children living in Hadstock to attend the school.

The school also has a before and after school childcare provision from 8am in the morning and until 5:30pm in the evening.

Visits to the school from Parents and prospective pupils are welcomed Ashdon School Head:Ms Reynecke-Reybould

EVENTS, ACTIVITIES and Fun in 2025

<u>BIN COLLECTIONS</u> – Weds 11th and 25th June for <u>Black</u> & <u>Brown</u> bins and Weds 4th and 18th June for <u>Green</u> & <u>Brown</u> bins.

<u>The Green Skip:- Special arrangements in June</u> <u>No Green Skip on June</u> <u>14 – Fete Day Also on Sat June 28th The Green Skip will only collect</u> from Bilbery End but will be there for the whole hour.

Hadstock Parish Council

Next meeting in the village hall on Thursday 29 May at 7.45pm Contact the Parish Clerk Sara Beckett:-

hadstockparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk for agenda details which are also sent out on Hadstock Info and put on the Village notice board by the old shop. Details of the agenda are also published on the Parish Council section of the village website which is:-www.hadstock.org.uk

Hadstock Village 'Gets Together' at Pub Nights, the last Friday each month 6.00-11.00pm at the Village Hall with a bar, crisps, nibbles and sometimes a food truck (watch Hadstock info for details)

Card machine available for payments (or cash)

It's a chance to meet up with your neighbours and friends!

Next one is on Friday 30 May ,6.00 'til 11.00pm

Village Hall AGM 6.30to 7.30 everyone welcome-

bar open as usual. Garden available,

See you there!

Art Classes in Hadstock for adults on Tuesday mornings and Friday mornings and afternoons in termtime; Sundays once a month, and children's' after-school art during termtime on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact Sonia 07890 50916

Hadstock Silver Band meets on Tuesdays at the Village Hall for practice Contact - Sorry I'm not sure who this is now

Hadstock Society - Community, History and Heritage.

Secretary: Maggie Hartley at hadstocksociety21@gmail.co.uk

Hadstock Village Hall see Ad in this magazine for how to hire it. And the video on the Hadstock Village website – www.hadstock.org.uk -Village Hall Hadstock

Bell Ringing practice at St Botolph's is Thursdays. Contact: Gilbert Rowlandson 01223 892882 or Janice Snell 01223 892338 –**Listen out**

Canasta There is a Canasta Group in Hadstock and they are playing now! If you are interested in joining then please call Irene on 01223 891 385 . Players and Beginners welcome.

CLOSE BY Linton Area Learning Alliance (LALA) meets on Tuesday mornings in the Village Hall in Linton. Autumn and Spring terms. Contact Sue Mudge 01223 892737

Linton and District Historical Soc. Meets Tuesday evenings Linton Village Hall. Monthly. Contact Margaret Creek 01223 893915 or email:ldhscambs@gmail.com

From Last Month - Lambs - at Lou's in Hadstock

The warm and mainly dry April, has been very good conditions for lambing. We had 6 sets of twins and 1 single lamb. For those who are interested the lambs this year are called



Quercus and Quince,
Quiver and Quake, Quinta
and Quentin, Quartz,
Quark and Quantum,
Quiff and Quaff,
Quenna and Quicksilver.



From Month before that! April - Walkers rest on the Village



Green!



(to use the words of one of their number.) 'A motley looking bunch!. He continued, "We are all ex -colleagues (all retired now) who have been walking together on a monthly basis for more than 20 years. We are from Cambridge and the surrounding villages."

What a good idea! Perhaps Hadstock 's men could do the same? Remember the walks that Hamish used to lead?

Know these 'workmen'?
Keith and Rick refurbishing the special wooden signpost on the corner.



From the Parish Council

We're delighted to announce the installation of an exciting new piece of play equipment on the recreation ground – the *Foxtail Tower*! This fun and adventurous structure was funded through Uttlesford District Council, using Levelling Up funding from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. To support the funding feedback comments would be gratefully received to hadstockparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk

However, on a less cheerful note, there has been a noticeable increase in dog fouling around the village. We kindly remind all dog owners to make use of the facilities provided particularly at the recreation ground. The Parish Council has installed a dedicated dog waste bin and supplies dog gloves for your convenience. Please do **not** use ordinary litter bins for dog waste, and certainly don't leave it on the ground or hanging from branches.

It was also recently reported that a loose dog caused alarm to a walker on one of our public footpaths. While your dog may be friendly in familiar surroundings, that may not be the case for others who encounter them unexpectedly. Please be a responsible dog owner and ensure your pet is under control at all times, especially in public areas.

The Annual Parish Meeting was very well attended this year. Combining the event with pub night and a presentation by *Sustainable Hadstock* proved to be a great success. Our Parish Council Chair, Keith Nuttall, provided an informative update on the council's activities over the past year. The minutes, including the Chair's report, will be available soon on the Parish Council website.

Sara Beckett

Clerk to Hadstock Parish Council

Tel: 07841343413

Uttlesford Foodbank

https://uttlesford.foodbank.org.uk/
Uttlesford Foodbank provides emergency food
and care parcels to individuals and families
during times of crisis. It operates out of a
warehouse in Shire Hill Saffron Walden. They are



always looking for donations of food or money and volunteers. Most of the Supermarkets in S.Walden and Haverhill have a food donations box If you need help look at https://uttlesford.foodbank.org.uk/get-help/how-to-get-help/ or

phone 07531 436335.Local contact Lynne Smith - 4 Moules Lane, <u>Tel:07707</u> 766197

<u>Haverhill food bank at Reach Community Projects</u>
Wisdom Facilities Centre,42 Hollands Road, Haverhill CB9 8SA

Opening times: Monday to Friday 9am - 4.30pm

Tel:01440 712950 or Email: info@reachhaverhill.org.uk

Website: reachhaverhill.org.uk – for more information

A new book by Paula Griffiths: -

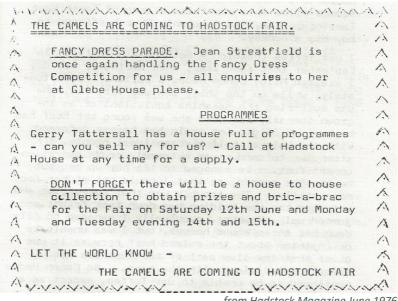
'The Mystery of John' Reflections on the Fourth Gospel is due for publication on 20 June. All the author's personal proceeds will be divided between the churches of the Saffron Walden and Villages Team Ministry. Two events are being held in Saffron Walden to launch the book: Wednesday 25 June, Hart's Bookshop, 24 King Street, 6.30-8pm Come to hear Andy Colebrooke interview Paula about the book, and enjoy an evening in Hart's, with a free drink. Also Wednesday 2 July, St Mary's Church, 6.30-8pm A further opportunity to hear Andy and Paula talk about the book. Drinks available: no charge, but donations welcome towards the Lighting Project. Copies available to buy and for signing at both events, but no obligation to buy!

Hadstock Fete in History

Hadstock Fair June 1976. The Day of the Camels

Hadstock had been granted the right to hold a fair way back before the Norman Conquest. In the 1950's a few small fetes were held in the Rectory garden (now Hadstock House) and in 1965 the Fete became a regular event held on the Saturday nearest St Botolph's Day. In 1976 the church needed major and costly repairs, at least £50,000, and it was decided the fete would be rebranded Hadstock Fair with an ambitious programme of attractions on the Recreation Ground.

Headlining was the Camel Racing. The camels were hired from Chipperfields and ridden by local teams. As well as various sideshows there were some inter-village competitions - Tug-o-War, Pram Racing and Tossing the Sheaf. There was a combined Little Walden and Hadstock team.



from Hadstock Magazine June 1976

1976 had been exceptionally dry until that is the 19th June, the day of the Fair, when it rained all day! The Rector, Michael Yorke, in his letter in the Magazine the following month noted that 'the beer tent was crowded', not surprising. The camels were at first a bit lethargic but eventually got going by race 4!

The net profit from the Fair was £1594.05. Hiring the camels cost £350, entry fees for the races raised £150 and camel rides £12.13.

This lovely letter from Anne Streatfield published in the July 1976 Hadstock Magazine which sums up the day and a drawing of a racing camel by Daniel Cummings—despite the rain a great time was had by all.

When the Camels came - Anne Streatfeild

It was a wet, dull day when the camels came. In the morning everybody was busy getting their own side stalls ready. Daddy was selling raffle tickets. I looked all over the field but I could not see any camels then in one corner above all the people I saw a lump of hair, so I rushed over to the lump and there on the ground lay three damp camels. I felt a bit sorry for them, after all they probably were not used to this climate.

After lunch I went with Mummy to help with the Fancy Dress. There were lots of very good costumes By now it was starting to rain a bit more. The next event was: the first camel race. As it was the main attraction, practically everyone was there~ The camels did not go very fast, one in particular1 so a man hit it on the' backside with a stick, (poor thing) and off it went. Later on there was a tug-o-war it was rather amusing watching the people slipping on the soggy ground. In between times I had a go on the sideshows, they were very good. Some while after that, there was Tossing the Sheaf, I thought the people must be very strong to lift the sack of corn, I knew I could not, let alone with a pitch fork. During the afternoon, there was several camel races, eventually won by U.T.P. By then it was raining quite hard so people were starting to go home. I stayed on a bit, so I went down to see the camels and I was allowed to lead one into its. feeding place. That evening my parents went to a dance, they said 'it was very good. I thought the day had been well worth it even though it had rained.

from Hadstock Magazine July 1976



from Hadstock Magazine

A drawing of a racing camel by Daniel Cummings

Also, Rebecca (who we don't know) wrote "It was fun but the camels were messy – and were smelly".

FETE CAKE STALL Sat 14 June

PLEASE help by baking your favourite cake, fairy cakes, biscuits, brownies, sweets, fruit loaf, crumble or similar to sell at the

Hadstock Fete Cake Stall.

We would also love jams, honey, preserves and garden produce such as rhubarb.

Please deliver to Maddings Cottage, Walden Rd Or to the stall on the day.

Many Thanks Kirsty 07971 601886

Calling all Hadstock Bakers - please bake your favourite cakes for the Village Hall Tea room on Fete day, Saturday June 14th - all flavours welcome, traditional and new!



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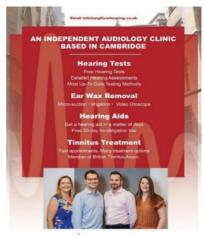
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Ashley is Head of Historical Performance at London's Royal College of Music and director of Florilegium.

Steven regularly directs the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment.

Tickets at £20 available from

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1322767305619?aff=oddtdtcreator or at the door

Contact Athene Hunt: huntcam2015@gmail.com In Support of the Friends of Holy Trinity Hildersham



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holds regular advice surgeries offering help and support for local residents. If you would like to contact Kemi, you can email

kemi.badenoch.mp@parliament.uk or call 0207 219 1943

Hadstock's Local District Councillor - Ashdon Ward:

Councillor John Moran of the Conservative Party

Contact:-cllrmoran@uttlesford.gov.uk or tel. 07496006467

or you can write to him c/o Uttlesford District Council

London Road, Saffron Walden, Essex CB11 4ER



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Sustainable Hadstock News

June 25 A busy Spring
Some images from across our activities

Clearing the Recreation ground,





Our moth survey,

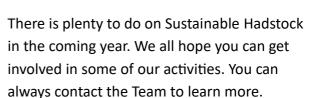




Putting up our Tawny Owl Box



and surveying Hadstock Wood



Come and see us at the Fete – alongside the Hadstock Society.

John Lockton For The Sustainable Hadstock Team www.hadstock.org.uk/sustainablehadstock/



FETE SUPPER 2025 JUNE 14, 7.30PM



RELAX AND ENJOY A MEAL IN THE VILLAGE HALL & GARDEN AFTER A BUSY DAY AT THE FETE.

Please join us for beef or vegetarian Lasagna with salad & garlic bread followed by a choice of puddings with cream.

£12 for Adults , £7 for children 12 and under. BYOB.

To reserve a meal, email <u>lynnn50@hotmail.com</u>

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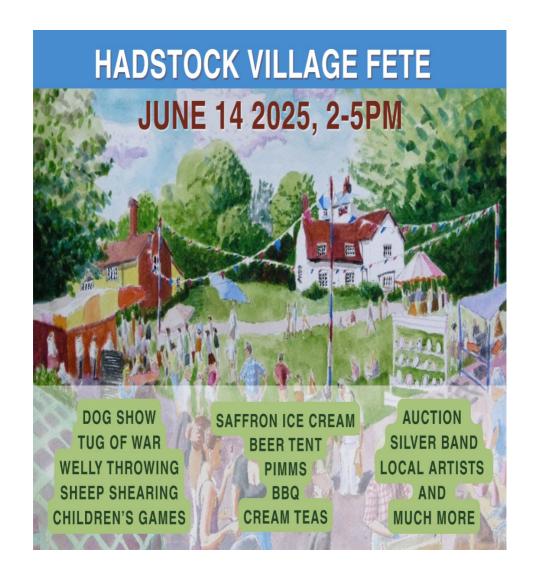


Don't Forget this Year's Auction! Here are just some of the generously donated Auction Lots

- 1. Stand Up Paddleboarding Cambridge guided Tour for 2 people on the River Cam, Cambridge.
- 2. Airbnb Stay in a charming 3 bedroom cottage in Hadstock. Perfect for visiting family or friends!
- 3. Fascinating Tour of the Granta Veterinary Specialists in Linton and free Pet Check Over
- 4. Gym Membership 6 month membership to Linton Fitness (worth £200)
- 5. A Hamper of 9 different packages of premium brand, clinical grade Igennus supplements for all the family. A comprehensive collection including vitamins, minerals, protein powder, Omega 3 Wild Fish Oil
- 6. Painting Lesson for one, individually or in a group, with our well known, highly successful artist, Sonia Villiers.
- 7. A tour of Nethergate Brewery, Long Melford, Suffolk for four. Hear about its heritage, learn the process, enjoy the tasting!
- 8. Audley End Miniature Steam Train Woodland Adventure Voucher for four. Always popular.
- 9. Munich Weekend in lovely private flat in a great location in the French quarter
- 10. Wine Tasting and Tour for Two at Saffron Grange
- 11. Half a Hadstock Lamb for the Freezer
- 12. Christmas Wreath Making Course for 6, with nibbles and Prosecco.
- 13. Two Tickets for Northampton Saints RFC: European Champions Cup Finalists 2025

More details and more lots will be advertised in June. Don't miss it!

Look out - There may be more auction lots that will be advertised before the bidding starts at 3.15pm



ENJOY THE FETE!