

End-to-End

The Parish Magazine of Rivenhall and Silver End



On one of my regular walks (P Hope Editor) along the Blackwater by Benton Hall Golf Course I spied these two love birds getting amorous. Sorry to all the dog lovers but the Swans have won out this month.

October

2023

50p

The Following are our services For October 2023

1st October

9.30 am St Francis

11 am St Mary's

17th Sunday after Trinity

Harvest Festival Service

Holy Communion

Harvest Festival Service

8th October

9.30 am St Francis

11 am St Mary's

18th Sunday after Trinity

Morning Prayer

Holy Communion

15th October

9.30 am St Francis

11 am St Mary's

19th Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion

Matins / Morning Prayer

22nd October

9.30 am St Francis

11 am St Mary's

20th Sunday after Trinity

Morning Prayer

Holy Communion

29th October

21st Sunday after Trinity

Bible Sunday

Joint Service For the Villages at St. Mary the Virgin Fairstead

11.00 am Holy Communion

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‘View from the Villages’ – Seasonal reflections....

Well we did get a lovely late Indian summer after all! J

Although as I now write this month’s article, autumn has definitely arrived. Sun rays are no longer bursting through the windows to greet me in the mornings - instead my hand is having to switch on the electric light in order to see my way around the house when I get up! The flip flops that were my regular foot attire for the past few months have now been relegated to the back of the wardrobe; and I’m currently trying to remember where I put the heavier duvet!

I must admit to always being a bit sad to see the end of the summer though – I am definitely a summer lover (though not in the ‘summer lovin’ way of John Travolta and Olivia Newton John!)

However, maybe it’s because I am someone who tends to ‘live in the moment’ (which of course could be another way of saying my memory is rubbish!), thankfully it doesn’t take me too long to start embracing autumn. To take pleasure in witnessing the beautiful changes of colour to the landscape (which will be a new view for me to enjoy this year); to draw the curtains and cuddle up on the settee to watch some new drama series; to even welcome the new football season (with a bit more optimism this year!); and to obviously start thinking about and looking forward to Christmas! After which of course I then begin to eagerly await the first signs of Spring, which not only holds its own beauty but of course also heralds the imminent return of summer once again.

The seasons are indeed a natural cycle within our world which hold a reassuring constancy (albeit that our human race has tried to disrupt and destroy that natural cycle!) And this left me reflecting on how, similarly, our lives also go through different seasons – some are lighter and easier, bringing warmth and joy to our lives; others are darker, difficult, and more painful.....

That we all face times of change though, and that our lives have different seasons, is inevitable. But facing those good and bad times with the support of others is essential. In my

short time here I have witnessed people and community coming together in wonderful ways, be that in joy or sadness. Supporting one another with love, kindness and grace. Just as God created us to.....

And so, as the darker mornings and nights increase as we move through this season of autumn and into winter, whatever season in which we find our personal lives at the moment, may we continue to be there for each other. Never forgetting also, that we have a God who is also there with us – constantly. A God who loves us, and promises to never leave us.

I pray then, that especially in those darker seasons, we may all be reassured that God is 'the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never put it out' (John 1:5)

PRAYER HOUR



You are invited to meet with me on a Monday morning at 9am for an hour of prayer

Sitting in peace and waiting on God, either in silence, or in words.....

I will be rotating around the churches as follows:

SEPTEMBER – NOVEMBER – St Francis, Silver End

JANUARY – APRIL – St Mary + All Saints, Rivenhall

It will be lovely to see anyone that can come

God bless

Reverend Jane x

Readings and Collects for October 2023

1st October

17th Sunday of Trinity

Harvest Festival Service

Readings

Deuteronomy 8:7-18

2 Corinthians 9:6-end

Luke 12:16-30

Collect

Gracious God,
you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord.

8th October

18th Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion

Readings

Isaiah 5.1-7

Philippians 3: 4b-14

Matthew 21:33-end

Collect

God, our judge and saviour,
teach us to be open to your truth
and to trust in your love,
that we may live each day
with confidence in the salvation which is given
through Jesus Christ our Lord

15th October

19th Sunday after Trinity

Matins

Readings

Lord God,
defend your Church from all false teaching
and give to your people knowledge of your truth,
that we may enjoy eternal life
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Collect

Lord God,
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22nd October

20th Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion

Readings

Jonah 3:10-4:11

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16

Collect

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

29th October

Bible Sunday

Joint Villages Team Service at Fairstead Holy Communion

Readings

Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 8-12

Colossians 3:12-17

Matthew 24:30-35

Collect

Merciful God,
teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty,
that trusting in your word
and obeying your will
we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

The 50/50 Club August 2023 winners

1st S&S Jackson 2nd B Hagan 3rd Sean Perkins

The 50/50 Club September 2023 winners

1st Liz Acharrya 2nd A Allan 3rd Christine (Silver End)

WITHAM AND VILLAGES MOTHERS' UNION

In September we begin a New Year with our Annual Service on Thursday 28th September at 2-o'clock in St Nicolas Church. The service will be led by The Rev Jane Quinton. After the service tea and cake will be served in the Church Hall. All members and friends will be welcome.

For more information contact Lynette Abbott on 01376 512586 or Joan Barrett on 01376 514617.

Rivenhall Village Hall,

located in Church Road, Rivenhall is available for hire by local clubs, organisations and residents for numerous activities and events including weekly/monthly classes or meetings, social functions, parties, fundraising events, wedding receptions, coffee mornings and much more. The hall has a well-equipped kitchen, toilet facilities including disabled and a level access from the car park. Clubs and organisations currently using the hall are:

Mondays: Under 5s storytelling mornings, Karate late afternoons and

Scottish dancing - 2nd, 4th and 5th Monday evenings.

Gardening Club 2nd Tues; Yoga Wednesday evenings; Carpet Bowls Thursday evenings.

Saturday afternoons - 7th Day Adventist Church

If you are interested in hiring the hall or joining any of the above groups, please contact the bookings secretary for further details by e-mailing:
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SANTAS GROTTTO 2023

The committee are pleased to announce that Santa's grotto is returning to our village hall this year.... Mr and Mrs Santa Clause will be in the hall on Friday 8th December from 11.00 Am to 8 PM and we're delighted to advise that we've persuaded Santa and his wife to attend on Saturday 9th from 11.AM to 4PM.

> The cost will be £4 per child which includes a lovely gift and £1 per adult who wish to see the grotto.

NOTES OF RIVENHALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 5th SEPTEMBER 2023

These notes are an abridged version of the draft minutes.

Present: Cllrs. Turner (Chairman), Macrae, Abbott, Wright, Cairns, Prime and Hammond.

Also present: Parish Clerk, Clerk Elect (Kevin Morley), ECC Cllr Ross Playle and two members of the public.

Chairman's Report: The Chairman introduced Kevin Morley who will become our new clerk on 1st October. The Rivenhall solar farm planning application was refused by BDC but it will be the subject of an appeal. Rivenhall needs an up-to-date Neighbourhood Plan to assist in planning determinations. Notice of proposed changes to the A12 BP garage were mailed to councillors by the site's new owners.

BDC Councillor Report: Cllr. Abbott reported that the future BDC paid green bin collection resulted in a provisionally small uptake. BDC has agreed to more funding for rural areas in the future. Consideration has been given to the upkeep / maintenance of the Oak Road recycling site and unauthorised roadside advertising has also been raised with BDC.

ECC Councillor Report: Ross Playle reported there was (fortunately) no local impact of RAAC within local schools (Rivenhall and Witham). The majority of the reported Rivenhall pothole repairs remain outstanding.

Public Forum: Overhanging vegetation along the Henry Dixon Road footway (our handyman has already been asked to address this). Issues to be reported to ECC Cllr. Playle include blocked and sunken drains outside 3 and 16 Oak Road plus the increased HGV traffic using oak Road to and from the A12.

Parish Clerk Appointment: With effect from 1st October 2023 the new Clerk/RFO will be Mr. Kevin B Money, who had been introduced to councillors at the start of the meeting.

Village Green, Possible Transfer of Ownership: Following confirmation from BDC that they would be willing to discuss transferring ownership of the village green, the chairman proposed the parish council should investigate the possible cost, this proposal did not find favour and was voted down by four votes to three. This proposal will now be dropped.

Playing Field - Cutting and Wildflower Enhancement: Any enhancement, cutting and additional wildflower planting will be in liaison with Cllr. Abbott

Highway Maintenance: Cllr. Prime will meet ECC Cllr. Playle to seek two desired marked road crossings on Rickstones Road.

Notice Boards: An order has been placed for the repair of the Rickstones Road notice board. Cllr. Prime will endeavour to locate the key to the glass bus shelter notice board.

Our Retiring Clerk - Keith Taylor: The Chairman, on behalf of all councillors, thanked the retiring Clerk for his service over many years and presented him with a retirement gift subscribed to by existing and past councillors. Keith expressed his thanks for this kind gesture.

Dates of Future Meetings: Tuesday 3rd October and Tuesday 7th November, both in Rivenhall Village Hall starting at 7:30 pm.

Essex Vineyards

It is known that the Romans brought vines to Britain following their invasion in AD 43, and that some of their vineyards were in Essex. But the tipple of the native tribes in Britain, both before and after the Romans was mead and beer.

Bearing in mind the cooler British climate 2,000 years ago, those English wines were probably fairly bitter, and there is much evidence of them importing better quality European wine during their occupation.

Over the past thirty years with a warming climate, there are now some nineteen vineyards in Essex alone. Many of these offer guided tours and wine tastings, and some have integral cafes and restaurants.

A quick scan of the Essex wine producing vineyards shows:-

Bardfield Vineyard, Clayhill Vineyard, Crouch Ridge Vineyard, Crouch Vale Vineyard, Danbury Ridge Vineyard, Dedham Vale Vineyard, Finchingfield Vineyard, Galleywood Vineyard, Mersea Island Vineyard, Missing Gate Vineyard, New Hall Vineyards, Prettyfields Vineyard, Saffron Grange Vineyard, Salary Brook Vineyard, Stow Maries Vineyard, Thorington Mill Vineyard, Toppesfield Vineyard, Tufton Hall Vineyard, and West Street Vineyard (now sadly closed).

Most vineyards have their own website so should you wish to explore our county's wines, why not look up some of these and pay them a visit.



This is New hall Vineyard near Chelmsford

WE ARE SURVIVORS (FOR THOSE BORN BEFORE 1940)

This story is by Joyce Gibson.. The story was collected by Joyce Gibson, transcribed by Elizabeth Lamont .

The article is taken from 'WW2 People's War is an online archive of wartime memories contributed by members of the public and gathered by the BBC. The archive can be found at bbc.co.uk/ww2peopleswar'

We were born before TV, penicillin, polio shots, frozen foods, Zerox, contact lenses, videos and the pill. We were before radar, credit cards, split atoms, laser beams and ballpoint pens, before dishwashers, tumble driers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip-dry clothes...and before man walked on the moon.

We got married first and then lived together (how quaint can you be?). We thought "fast food" was what you ate in Lent, a "Big Mac" was an oversized raincoat and "crumpet" we had for tea. We existed before house husbands, computer dating and "sheltered accommodation" was where you waited for a bus.

We were before day care centres, group homes and disposable

nappies. We never heard of FM radio, tape decks, artificial hearts, word processors, or young men wearing earrings. For us “time sharing” meant togetherness, a “chip” was a piece of wood or fried potato, “hardware” meant nuts and bolts, and “software” wasn’t a word.

Before 1940, “Made in Japan” meant junk, the term “making out” referred to how you did in your exams, “stud” was something that fastened a collar to a shirt and “going all the way” meant staying on a double decker bus to the terminus. In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable, “grass” was mown, “coke” was kept in the coalhouse, a “joint” was a piece of meat you ate on Sundays and “pot” was something you cooked it in. “Rock music” was a fond mother’s lullaby, a “gay person” was the life and soul of the party, while “aids” just meant beauty treatment or help for someone in trouble.

We who were born before 1940 must be a hardy bunch when you think of the way in which the world has changed and the adjustments we have had to make. No wonder there is a generation gap today — but — by the Grace of God, we have survived!

As Requested by Ruth Aitken

From her Tea Towel

The Night Sky in October

Partial Lunar Eclipse

On **28 October 2023, the UK will see a partial lunar eclipse**. A partial lunar eclipse happens when the Moon passes through the Earth's penumbra (the outer region of the Earth's shadow), and only a section of it passes through the umbra (the darkest part of the Earth's shadow).

Partial Solar Eclipse

Shortly after 10am (UK time) on the morning of 25 October, the Moon’s path around Earth takes it almost directly between the Sun and our planet, significantly reducing the amount of light reaching us.

In the north of the UK around a third of the Sun’s disc will be eclipsed by the Moon, with the south of the UK experiencing an eclipse of around 20%.



Warning: It is not safe to look directly at the sun, or point optical equipment, such as cameras, binoculars and telescopes at it. Even when partially eclipsed, eyes and equipment can be damaged instantly. Specially made filters and glasses are available, through which you can safely observe and photograph the sun, but these must be checked carefully first, to ensure they are not scratched or damaged.

To observe the Moon obscuring the Sun you'll need an appropriate safety filter, and an unobstructed view to the south-east. The point of greatest eclipse will take place shortly before 11am, around an hour after the event begins. The Moon will then gradually move away, uncovering the Sun over the following hour.

We will have to wait until April 2024 for the next partial solar eclipse in the UK, so here's hoping for clear skies, and good luck if you are hoping to observe this partial eclipse!

October night skies

Jupiter is currently the brightest object in the night sky (apart from the Moon), and it is a helpful guide to finding the autumnal constellations of Pegasus, Aquarius and Pisces.

Looking east, bright red-giant star Aldebaran marks the eye of Taurus the Bull. More than 40 times the size of our Sun, Aldebaran gets its name from the Arabic for 'Follower', as the star follows the white-blue stars of the Pleiades star cluster across the night sky.

Mars sits a little to the left of Aldebaran, red-hued and getting brighter over the next couple of months as Earth and the red planet approach their closest point to each other in their orbits around the Sun.

High in the south-west lie the bright stars Vega (of constellation Lyra the Harp), Deneb (Cygnus the Swan) and Altair (Aquila the Eagle), while those with a low southerly horizon may be able to spot Formalhaut.

Images of this star taken by the Hubble Space Telescope show large discs of dust surrounding Formalhaut, and scientists are still working to establish whether points of light within this disc could be a planet, or the remnants of some massive planetary collision.

Finally, for those with darker skies away from the glow of streetlights, see if you can make out the faint glow of the Andromeda Galaxy rising in the east as darkness falls. Those with binoculars or a telescope may also be able to hunt for the Triangulum Galaxy that sits nearby.

Meteor showers this month

The Draconids meteor shower peaks around 8-9 October and will see fragments of debris from Comet Giacobini-Zinner entering our atmosphere.

The full Moon's light may outshine some of the fainter meteors, so try to find a spot with a clear horizon facing away from the Moon for the best chance to see these meteors. They're among the slower meteors to streak across the sky, travelling at 'just' 21 kilometres (13 miles) per second!

By contrast, the fragments from Halley's Comet that make up the Orionids meteor shower will enter our atmosphere at around 66 kilometres (40 miles) per second. This meteor shower is active all month and peaks in the relatively moonless nights around 21-22 October.

Halley's Comet last passed through our inner solar system in 1986, and its debris trail is responsible for both this month's Orionids and the Eta Aquariids meteor shower that we see each May

End to End Nature Care.

Our schedule of monthly meetings through the winter season is taking shape and commences on 18th October with a Bird & Bat Box Building evening at Stovern's Hall farm on Rickstones Road. We will be meeting at 7:30pm and there will be various design patterns available, enabling creation of bird nesting boxes for a variety of species and also bat roost boxes. If anybody has any old/unwanted timber or nails/screws which we could turn into bird

or bat boxes then please bring it along or let me know and I will arrange for collection. And if you plan on joining us then bringing some basic woodworking tools may help.

The boxes are mainly made to be provided free of charge to local people, so if you would like a bird or bat box then please get in touch and we will be happy to provide one. In some instances we might even be able to install it for you too. The available range starts with basic tit boxes; the size of the opening is supposed to dictate which species use them but this tends to be mainly just a rule of thumb and if, say, Sparrows decide they want to nest in a box designed for Blue Tits then they will go ahead and do so. That said, this year I have heard lots of anecdotal evidence to suggest that Blue Tits have nested successfully in lots of the boxes we have made and supplied for that purpose.

We also supply boxes designed more for use by Great Tits, and also 'terrace boxes' – effectively three nest boxes joined together – which are supposedly the preference of gregarious House Sparrows. We have open-fronted boxes which can be the preference for a variety of passerine (perching) birds, such as Robin, Pied Wagtail, Wren and even Spotted Flycatcher, although Robins, in particular, will seemingly nest in almost any available receptacle, even traffic lights! I have seen advice suggesting a lidless teapot, hung dangling by the handle, can be perfect for Robins to raise a brood.

We also have boxes designed to attract House Martins and Swifts, though I haven't heard how successful these can be. There are a variety of designs available commercially which are supposed to attract House Martins, and as somebody lucky enough to have them nest at their house I can attest as to how much pleasure they can bring. This year seems to have been one of the best in a while for House Martin breeding and our nest witnessed at least two successful broods. One can speculate as to why: was it the less extreme weather, or perhaps the ban on neonicotinoids has meant there is more insect prey available?

We have even provided boxes designed for use by owls. This does highlight a couple of issues. Firstly there should be feeding habitat available nearby for a nest box to be viable. Erecting an owl nest box in an urban environment is futile as there is no suitable feeding habitat. Conversely, installing a sparrow terrace next to a thick hedge is also rather pointless and the House Sparrows will

always prefer the hedge. If you would like a box, or to discuss options, then please contact me (details below).

After October we will also be meeting on November 15th, January 17th, February 21st and March 20th in Silver End Congregational Church, Silver Street. We also have a winter social held on 13th December at 44 Strawberry Lane, Tolleshunt Knights, where all are welcome. Details of the events will be available in future issues of the magazine, as well as being posted on our website www.e2e.silverend.org and on our Facebook group "End to End Nature Care". For any other enquiries I can be contacted via email simon@e2e.silverend.org or on 07947 388180.

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It is twenty one glorious years ago that the Famous Rivenhall Races were first run in Rivenhall Village Hall. On **Saturday 28th October** they return again. Profits from this popular evening help fund various charitable activities throughout the village including the senior citizens gifts, Santa's Musical Sleigh, carol singing round the tree on the green with the Chelmsford Silver band followed by the **TOTALLY FREE** Christmas get-together in the village hall.

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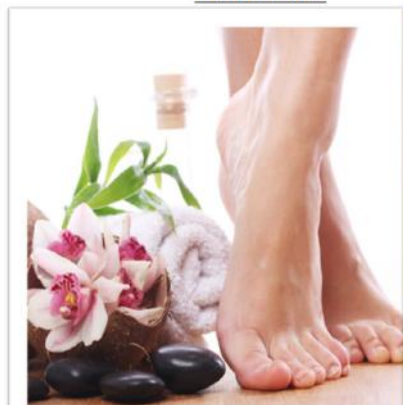
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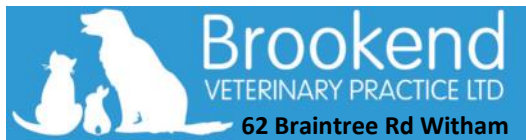
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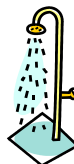
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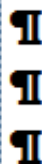
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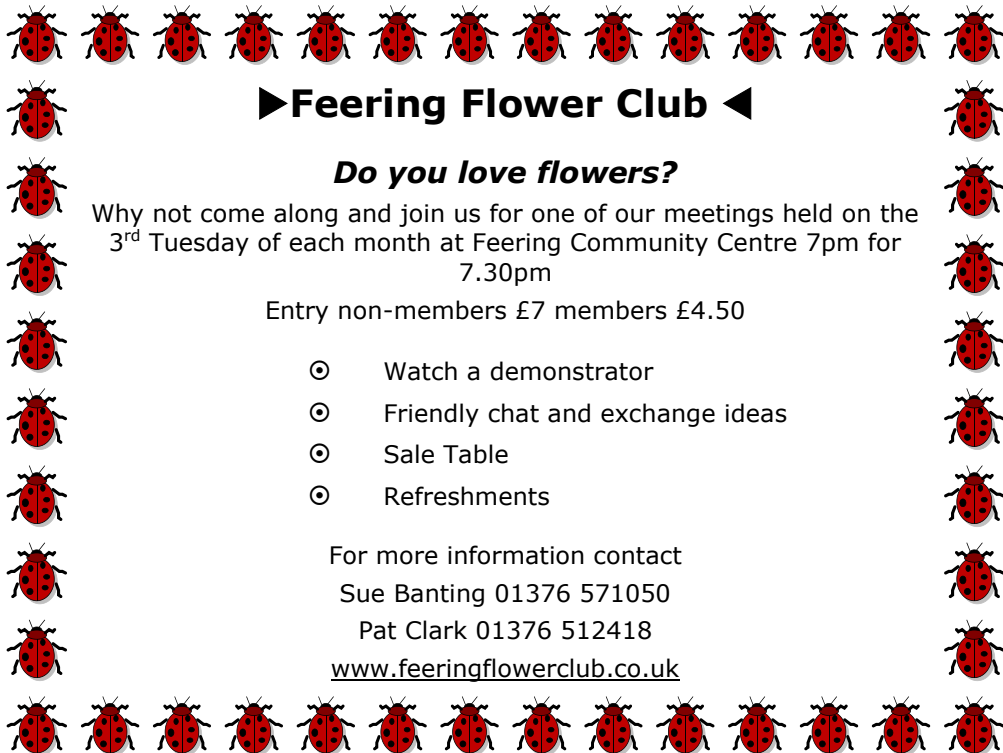
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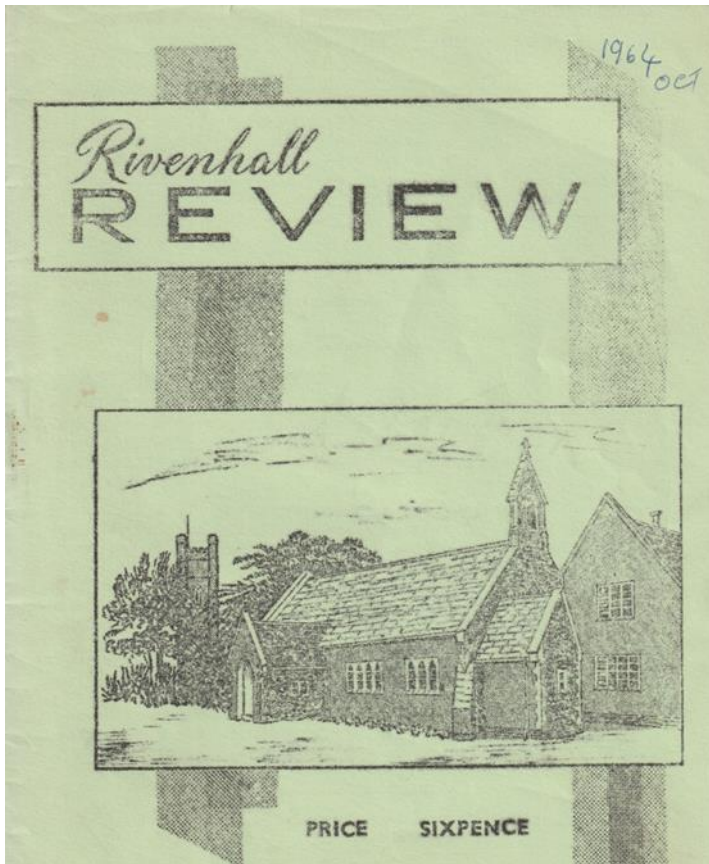
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Turning the pages of History Research by Tracy Scott

This month we are looking at some of the articles of the Rivenhall Review October 1964. It was the 40th issue of the monthly magazine that was for the village and very popular with all ages and those who had lived in the village. This magazine over the years shows how much the village has changed and the activities that use to take place within the community as well as a few topics that still keep us moaning today! During this time of the village life here we had many changes taking place with homes being pulled down and built in Rivenhall End and Homes that have just been and being built and still building in Rivenhall around what was a field now a village green.



In the General News: *It's a small world!*

On Friday, 4th September, Her Majesty the Queen, opened the new Forth Bridge in Scotland at which 24 Naval vessels were on full parade. Unfortunately, as you may have read in the national press, there was a slight collision between two of them.

What, you may well ask, has this to do with Rivenhall? Well, it so happened that two Rivenhall Youth Club boys were aboard the colliding ships; Gordon Bennett in H.M.S. Lear and Robby Davey in H.M.S. Frigate Lowestoft. It certainly is a small world!

Well Done!

Mr and Mrs Hatley, of Beech Road, have got off to a most successful start this season in the Cage Bird Championships. In September they entered 10 birds at Halstead – where over 100 birds were on show – and came away with a Champion and Supreme Cup, 4 First, 2 Second and 2 Third prizes. In a London show the birds won a further 4 Cups, and at Ipswich recently, where birds were being shown from Norfolk and Suffolk as well as Essex, they took 2 First, a Second and 2 Third prizes.

Some of the birds kept by Mr and Mrs Hatley are quite rare, one of the being a Long Tailed Grass Finch crossed Cherry Finch Hybrid, the first of its kind. Members of the Cage Bird association have shown so much interest in this bird that it will most likely be exhibited at the Olympia in the Autumn Show.

W.I. in Danger of winding up

At the monthly meeting of Rivenhall W.I. held in their Hut (this was just as you entered Foxmead on the left hand side) on Wednesday 7th October, Miss Taber who took the chair, in the absence of Mrs. Bonner, the President, reported that a V.C.O. would attend the November meeting, when a vote would be taken on whether or not to continue the W.I. meetings, as attendances had fallen off considerably during the past two years and it seemed hopeless to try and carry on. All paid up members would receive a letter asking them to attend the meeting to give their vote and to express their opinions. Any members who did not attend this meeting would not have a vote.

Southend Lights

A coach outing, to visit the Southend lights is being arranged for Friday evening 16th October. Anyone wishing to go should contact Mrs. Stock or Mrs. Moss, Hoo Hall Cottages.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor, I have been a reader of the Review, which is sent to me each month, since the first copy, and as a loyal supporter I would like to protest about some of the letters which appear from time to time, this month (Sept) for instance, there are five, and all with the same touch of malice that they could have been written by one person in spite of those ridiculous nom-de-plumes. Surely, in such a small magazine, so much space devoted to such petty sarcasm is a bit much!

Perhaps your reporter would not appeal to some humourless folk, but personally I much prefer "Seen through a Mirror" to those long-winded screeds on the Westerns and Doctor Dixon.

Yours sincerely, A. Parnell (Miss) – Bandall Drive, Hornchurch.

Editor reply: We appreciate and respect your views, but we endeavour to print, space permitting (and subject to our non-party political policy) all correspondence received.

Dear Sir, It is interesting to note that the Rector of Rivenhall has commented on the amount of litter around the Church Hall (now Village Hall) as it coincides with a letter I have written on the subject of W.U.D.C. in which I have drawn attention to the lack of litter bins. Although we have "Keep Britain Tidy" slogans, we should educate ourselves, either to use bins (when and where provided) or take our litter home whether locally or in visiting other localities.

Recently, I saw a heap of cigarettes boxes on a corner of Rivenhall which looked like an accumulation from a car. But why spoil the beauty of the countryside for the sake of exercising a little initial thought? Our 'visitors to Britain' trade is still good – why mar it by demonstrations of uncleanness? Not only is it an offence since 1958 to litter, but it can be the harbour of diseases.

Yours sincerely, A. Poulter (Mrs) – Cressing Road, Witham

Matters Arising – We have no objection

A council house is to be made available for the use of the Rivenhall Police Constable – as soon as suitable property becomes available – for a period of eighteen months. The present police house is to be demolished in connection with the A12 trunk road improvements and it is proposed to build a new police house in

Oak Road.

The Council minute reads, "Your committee considers the retention of the constable in Rivenhall is to be desired"???

A Wandering War Memorial

The above may not be strictly correct, it's the site of Rivenhall's War Memorial which is wandering. We were informed some months ago that the Council had decided on a new site (opposite Mr. Punt's cottage) and when this was queried by Review Committee they were told most emphatically that no other site would be considered. Now it is to go opposite the Oak, a short distance from the telephone kiosk, where presumably it will guard the other flank of the line of cars parked there. Reason for the change of site – the sewer would have been directly under the Memorial. (for those who do not know this was originally in Rivenhall End and had to be moved when the London Road became the A12. Now in the Parish Churchyard)

Children's page

Every month competitions etc., for children were in the magazine and they had a club to join too. This month was to make a picture of what you hope to be doing on the 5th November and the winner will win a box of fireworks and this would be presented to the winner in time for the day. (I don't think that would be aloud now!)

Well looking the November issue the winner was Mary King and the runners up as follows: Christopher Lewis, Susan Herbert, Linda Richardson, Hilary Leverett, Dennis Leverett, Jacqueline Bibbey, Christine Herbert and Christopher Bibby.

Each month the Birthday Club would say Happy Returns and these were the names for October 1964:

Mary Holliday, Jan Oragnisciok, Christine Brown, Peter Clarke, Davina Wager, Paul Scott, Christopher Holliday, Sandra and Martin Boylan.

RIVENHALL GARDENING CLUB (Autumn Show)

On Saturday 9th September 2023, the Club held their Autumn Show in Rivenhall Village Hall. The number of entries was slightly down but members and visitors enjoyed a good display. Judges were Peter Morris (RHS affiliated), Mrs Sarah Adlem (WI-Cookery) Mrs Sogra Newman (handicraft, art and photography). Tea and homemade cake was served and there was a raffle. President Mrs Joan Cain was unable to be with us and Mrs Lilian Pearce presented the following awards:-

Brian Trench Cup Rivenhall Onion Trophy RHS Banksian Medal Heaviest Onion Cain Cup Maurice Bacon	Best in Show - Vegetables Maurice Bacon
Mary Lyons Lloyd Cup Cyril Philpott / Shirley Bacon	Best in Show - Flowers Sidney Gurton Cup Cyril Philpott
Lilian Pearce Rose Bowl Ann Kerr	Best in Show - Cookery Carole McCarthy
RGC Garden News Shield Annual Flower Trophy Arthur Marshall	David McCarthy Memorial Salver Cyril Philpott / Shirley Bacon
Artwork Award Cyndy Hutley	Pear Trophy Wilson Kerr
The President's Award - Wilson Kerr	Park House Cup Top Vase Cyril Philpott

OTHER AWARDS PRESENTED (for points gained throughout the year)

RGC Horticultural Cup
Maurice Bacon

Vera Foster Trophy
Maurice Bacon

Pamela Brice Ladies Trophy
Susan Donnel

Floral Cup **Susan Donnell**

Homecraft Cup
Jenny Claydon

Domestic Evening Vase
Jenny Claydon

Photography Trophy
Jenny Claydon

Thank you to everyone who contributed to an enjoyable afternoon and thank you to all who visited and supported the Show, in any way. If you would like more details of our Club please contact the Club Secretary on 01376 512781. New members and visitors are always very welcome.

RIVENHALL GARDENING CLUB 12th September

Club members met in Rivenhall village hall on Tuesday 12th September 2023, for their monthly meeting. Mention was made of the previous Saturday's Autumn Show which was generally thought to have gone well. Our speaker for the evening was Roger Hance with his illustrated talk entitled 'Wild Flowers and Orchids of the countryside. His photographs were superb each one accompanied by a wealth of interesting facts. Many of the flowers not only look wonderful but in past times were used medicinally. Eye Bright for sties, Hedge Woundwort to heal wounds, soldiers in battle would apply it to help stem bleeding. The Birds Nest Orchid has no chlorophyll hence it is brown. Golden Saxifrage is good for ground cover. Many plants were woodland plants — Oxslips, Wood Anemones which flower for about a month, Greater Stitchwort which flowers all summer. Roger's knowledge and enthusiasm for his subject shone through.

CLUB COMPETITION RESULTS

Horticulture:

1 st Maurice Bacon	2 nd Cyril Philpott	(2 entries)
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Domestic:

1 st Janet Shead	2 nd Jenny Claydon	3 rd Tracy Scott
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Flower of the Month:

1 st Bob Turner	2 nd Maurice Bacon	3 rd Cyril Philpott
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Photo of the Month

1 st Jenny Turner	2 nd Mike Selby	3 rd Bob Turner
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The Club's next meeting will be the **Annual General Meeting** on **Tuesday 10th October. 7.30pm Rivenhall Village Hall.**

Competitions will be: Horticultural — any vegetable. Domestic — Victoria Sponge to given recipe in Schedule. Flower of the Month. Photograph of the Month. Also the Club Pumpkin Competition results. Raffle. No entrance charge. Refreshments after the business of the evening has been concluded. All are welcome, we look forward to seeing you. For further information contact the Club Secretary on 01376 512781.



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