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THE PARISH MAGAZINE FOR GREAT AND LITTLE SALING

LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

We expect you recognise the white line marker in the picture, marking out the boundaries of the football field behind the Millennium Village Hall.

There is more room for it now in The Shed, as, alas, some of the old Fete paraphernalia has now gone to 'a better place' (Great Bardfield mainly, although some to the dump.) Sadly, all good things come to an end -

*'The old order changeth yielding
place to new*

*And God fulfills himself in many
ways*

Lest one good custom should corrupt the world.'



The new in this context includes our Quiz Night on 15th November, where we understand a good time was had by all last year - see p5 for further details. Do let Jacqui know if you would like to join.

And the Lindsell Annual Church Coffee Morning is on the same day (p4).

There is plenty of music on offer too - Great Bardfield Cinema Club is kicking off its new season with a biopic of Bob Dylan (p12), while there is an Autumn Concert in Wethersfield Village Hall featuring G&T. We are not sure if this is a group or a half time refresher.

And there is a Celebrating St Nicholas event in Felsted on 6th December - see p22.

And for the Thespians among you, Noel Coward features in a double bill at the Barn Theatre Little Easton from 12-15 November - see p20 - with a supper option on the Friday and Saturday.

Deadline for contributions to the combined

Dec. & Jan. edition: 15th of November.

Email: SalingsMagazine@gmail.com

From the Pilgrim Parishes

For anyone interested in sport, the summer just past will probably have kept us glued to our television screens. Without taking anything away from all the other sports, almost certainly it was footballers, cricketers and tennis players who took centre stage; their stories of courage, discipline, and unity offering something deeper than just entertainment.

Beyond the scores and silverware lies a quieter invitation - to reflect on what truly matters.



From the roars of the Women's and the Men's U21 European Football Championships (congratulations to both the Lionesses and the men's team on their respective triumphs), to the slow-burning tension of Test Match cricket, and the elegance of Wimbledon, sport once again captured our collective imagination. Yet even amid the cheers and triumphs, there were lessons being whispered - lessons about perseverance, identity, and purpose.

More than a Scoreline: Football, Passion, and Purpose

The Women's Euros represented far more than a tournament. They reflected how far the game has come - and how far we can go when we work together with vision and purpose. The teamwork, the setbacks, the redemption arcs - they speak to deeper truths.

We all long to be part of something bigger than ourselves. Sport offers a taste of that community, reminding us that life isn't just about individual success but about the bonds we form and the values we carry.

Cricket's Quiet Wisdom: Endurance in a Fast-Paced World

There's something timeless about Test Match cricket - a sport that unfolds not in minutes, but over days. It demands patience, discipline, and strategy. In a world that rushes to quick results, cricket reminds us that some things - like character - can't be rushed (although England's batsmen usually have other ideas!).

Life, too, is often more of a long game. Whether it's in relationships, personal growth, or the quiet work of faith, real transformation often comes through endurance, not shortcuts.

Wimbledon and the Inner Battle

Wimbledon is known not only for its history and prestige, but also for the mental strength it demands. On Centre Court, matches are often won not just with the racket, but in the mind and heart. We see resilience, respect, and grace under pressure - qualities that transcend the game.

In many ways, these athletes mirror the struggles we all face - quiet battles of identity, doubt, and self-worth.

Their determination reminds us that strength isn't always loud; often, it's the quiet resolve to keep showing up, with integrity and humility.

Sport as a Mirror

At its best, sport reflects life: moments of triumph, disappointment, teamwork, and growth. It asks us not just to admire the physical feats, but to consider the values they represent. Dedication. Hope. Sacrifice. Grace.

For those of us guided by faith, it's not hard to see the spiritual echoes in these stories. The idea that there's a bigger race being run - not just for medals, but for meaning. That we are invited to live with purpose, discipline, and love. That what lasts is not the trophy, but the impact we have on others.

Things for us to Consider:

What drives me to persevere through challenges?

How can I encourage others in their own journey?

Am I living in a way that reflects something greater than myself?

As this summer of sport unfolded, we enjoyed the drama and the brilliance - but let's also look deeper. In every match, every rally, and every quiet act of sportsmanship, there was a story that points beyond the field - toward something lasting, something eternal.

Rev'd Ian Elliott

Lindsell Annual Church Coffee Morning

Saturday 15th November

10am to 12 noon

at Lindsell Village Hall

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Charity Quiz Night

**Millenium Hall – Sat 15th November (6.45
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Church Services in the Salings



*You are warmly invited to join us at any of our upcoming services.
We are a small, friendly congregation who meet on Sundays at
either 9:30 or 11:00am in St Peter and St Paul Church, Little
(Bardfield) Saling or at St James Church, Great Saling.
We would love to see you!*

Lydia, Robert, Debs and Jacqui (Churchwardens in the Salings Churches)

Sun 5 th Oct.	Little Bard-field) Saling	11:00am	Morning Prayer
Sun 12 th Oct.	Benfice Service at Little Easton	6:00pm	Evensong
Sun 19 th Oct.	Little Bard-field) Saling	09:30am	Holy Communion
Sun 26 th Oct.	Great Saling	09:30am	Morning Prayer

Sun 2 nd Nov.	Little Saling	11:00am	Morning Prayer
Sun 9 th Nov.	Little Saling	10:50am	Remembrance Day Service
Sun 16 th Nov.	Little Saling	09:30am	Holy Communion
Sun 23 rd Nov.	Great Saling	09:30am	Morning Prayer
Sun 30 th Nov.	Tilty	11:00am	Benefice Advent Service

DUNMOW AND STANSTED DEAN- ERY WALKS 2025



The walks are an opportunity to come and see Jesus in the communities we visit and the people we meet. . All our walks **start at 9.30am at the designated church**, we will walk for one hour before returning to the church at 10.30am for refreshments, finishing with a short service. Please join us and bring friends and dogs, all are welcome. There is a contact for each walk.



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District Councillor Ann Hooks

I hope my report finds you well! Here is a brief update on what has been happening!



Local Plan

At the time of writing, the meetings to discuss the large strategic sites had not yet taken place. Please do check my social media for the latest updates on the outcome, particularly regarding any land that may affect Rayne and Saling.

Hedgehog Solar Farm

In August, TotalEnergies withdrew its NSIP (Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project) application for the proposed 98MW solar farm between Rayne and Felsted. This was only an administrative step following changes in national legislation. Previously, energy projects above 50MW were determined at Government level through the NSIP process, but under the new rules schemes under 100MW will now be decided by the Local Planning Authority.

This means that a planning application is expected in the early part of 2026, to be submitted both to Braintree District Council and Uttlesford District Council.

A public consultation was announced, running from Monday 8 September to Monday 6 October, with literature delivered to Rayne and Felsted residents and drop-in events held in Felsted and Rayne.

When the formal planning application is submitted in early 2026, residents will once again have the opportunity to make their voices heard by writing to the planning authorities to support or object to the proposals.

Local Government Reform

At the time of writing this report, Braintree District Council was due to hold a debate on the different options for Local Government Reorganisation in Essex. The Government has made clear that change is expected, and councils across the county are now considering how best to move from the current two-tier system to a unitary model. One of the options on the table is a three-unitary model, which would see the creation of a North Essex Unitary including Braintree and Uttlesford. This debate will help shape the council's position on which model to support, ahead of any formal proposals being submitted to Government.

As usual, if you do require my assistance or would like to reach out to me, my email address is cllr.ahooks@braintree.gov.uk This is my preferred method of contact. Although, in an emergency I can be contacted on my mobile, 07852 552247. I also have active social media pages, Facebook (Cllr Ann Hooks) and Instagram page (cllr_ann_hooks), where you can keep up to date with what I am up to!



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

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Parish Council Meeting

27th of November



Protecting and serving Essex

As I type this the mornings are certainly cooler with autumnal dew on car windows and fields which means we are coming to the end of summer and autumn will soon be with us followed shortly by winter.

Now is a good time to think about preparing for the autumn and winter months and all of our summer holidays are now a distant memory.

- Internal lights - 25/10/25 overnight the clocks go back, check and reset the time of your timer plugs, lights, and other security devices. **Remember to a thief a house in darkness is empty.** Some of the things you can do to create the illusion you are in when your home is unoccupied are: - lights on in rooms that you would normally occupy, TV simulators, a doorbell that you can answer remotely on your smartphone.
- External lighting and CCTV - Make sure that external lighting and CCTV is working and clean. To the front lighting operated by a daylight sensor is best.
- Hedges, Trees and plants - A consideration when gardening – most **thieves like to work unobserved**. Have your plants or shrubs grown and are they now obstructing CCTV or lighting, does it now prevent neighbours and passer-by's from seeing your frontage? If so a spot of pruning would be advisable, to the front it is recommended to keep hedges and shrubs to about 4' (1.2m) and with trees prune lower branches where suitable to allow that visibility of your property. Also clean your external cctv cameras removing spider webs, dust and dirt.
- Sheds and gates - keep them closed and locked when not in use, review and maintain the locks/hinges as required. Alarms on sheds and outbuildings are a good idea.
- Property marking - tools and lawn mowers going away for the winter, if you have not done it already make a note of the model and serial numbers and consider a property marking product.
- Heating Oil - with the value of fuel it is worth considering its security. In the more isolated parts of the countryside it is primarily domestic properties that have been targeted by the heating oil thieves, but we have also seen such thefts at farms and other businesses. There are several security devices available that will protect your fuel supplies - details of which can be found via your fuel supplier or local plumber's merchant. One such system is Tank Commander www.commandersecurities.co.uk which has "Secured by Design" accreditation <https://www.securedbydesign.com/> . Products like this will detect a dramatic drop in fuel and notify you by phone and/or audible alarm. There are also other similar security products that can add onto

an existing intruder alarm system, whilst others may protect the filler cap and there are of course the conventional locks. Another consideration would be concealing it with landscaping and spiky planting around the tank, restricting access to it with gates or fencing, and where possible locating the tank under lighting in view of lived in rooms within the house.

If you would like further advice regarding security please look at the Essex Police website www.essex.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/ and <https://www.securedbydesign.com/>

Look out for each other.

Terrie

PCSO 8143 Braintree Neighbourhood Policing team

Public Rights of Way

Simply scan the QR code below to access the Essex Highways interactive map, where you can explore local walking routes.

Enjoy and care for the beautiful paths across our parish and neighbouring areas.



Create Space

Make time to be creative from silk painting to flower arranging! All materials provided. The next session will be held in The Salings Millenium Village Hall on the 15th October 7-9pm There will be a £10 charge towards covering the costs of individual sessions. To book contact:
revsuehurley@gmail.com



GREAT BARDFIELD CINEMA CLUB

Good morning and welcome back to all GB Cinema Club Members and Friends.

.... due to Town Hall availability in October and for this month only, **the opening of our new season will be on Friday 17th October.**

For the opening of this new season we've chosen **A COMPLETE UNKNOWN**. Set in the influential New York music scene of the early 60s, this is a biographical film about the early career of singer-songwriter Bob Dylan and examines the period of 1961-1965, beginning with his start as an American folk singer. Dylan is portrayed by Timothee Chalamet.

This will be our 17th season of film presentations and we hope we'll see new and old Members signing up when we open on Friday 17th October. If you're already a Member you will know what a very good deal this is: 10 films for £35.00! Or if preferred, for non-Members and guests there is pay at the door, £7.00 for each film.

We hope to see new and old Members signing up on Friday 17th October. Cash or cheques please made payable to The Bardfield Times. Doors open 7.30 with refreshments available, film starts 8.00.

Hope to see you there.
GB Film Club Team



Covering the cost of printing the Salings Magazine

The Salings Magazine is delivered free of charge to all residents. If you appreciate it, please consider making a donation.

Scan the QR code or contact Julian Dyer



The poster features a dark wood-grain background with a central wooden sign. The sign is framed by autumn leaves in shades of yellow, orange, and red. The text is primarily in white, with some lines in yellow. The sign has four silver-colored screws at its corners.

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I announce the

September winners:

1st Andrea W-G

2nd Steve Clapson

3rd Robert Bucknell

Many Congratulations!

VILLAGE HALL EVENTS:

Tuesdays **Arts Group** 10.00am - 3.00pm

Thursd. **Zumba** 10.30am - 11.30am

Fridays **Pickleball** 2pm - 5.00pm

Carpet Bowls 7.00pm - 10.00pm



Third Thursday of the month: Flitch & Chips 4.30 - 7.30pm

- ⇒ We have a **clothes Recycling Bank** in the carpark.
- ⇒ There is a **Defibrillator** at the Village Hall.
- ⇒ **The First responder** is Robert Bucknell: **07860521548**

Great Saling Community Memorial Garden

The Salings Community Garden is nearly complete. The raised beds are finished and some very smart teak benches have been installed.

The path around the pentagon brickwork has been made from 'Goldpath' - a very attractive golden coloured crushed stone which has been laid over a weed-proof membrane and a layer of granite aggregate. All that remains is to complete the planting in and around the beds and deal with the weeds in the surrounding lawn area.

Consideration is also being given to a hedge or fence along the front of the plot. Finally, funds permitting, some planters will be placed on the pavement to further enhance the area and prevent parking on the pavement in front of the garden.

The blossom trees to the rear should provide welcome shade and fragrance next spring - especially now that we have at last had some rain.

Hopefully, the garden will provide a pleasant spot for folks to relax and chat for many years to come. We do hope you will enjoy using it.

Cllr Terry McCarty - Salings Parish Council,



News from Farleigh Hospice



Festive Gift Fayre

Don't miss Farleigh Hospice's Festive Gift Fayre on Wednesday 12 November, from midday to 8pm at the Channels Estate in Chelmsford. It's an afternoon and evening of shopping, relaxation and fun!



There will be a fantastic selection of pop-up shops including boutique clothing, accessories, homewares, skincare, jewellery, gourmet chocolates, speciality gins and much more.

You can also indulge in a relaxing mini pampering session from qualified therapists offering massage, Indian head massages and reflexology, in return for a donation to Farleigh.

Delicious teas, coffees, lunches and snacks will be available from the Channels Bar and Brasserie and the Belsteads Coffee Shop.

Tickets are only £4 in advance from www.farleighhospice.org/festivegiftfayre or £5 on the day and parking is free. Your ticket includes entry into the prize draw for a chance to win a luxury hamper!

Sporting Challenges

Are you a walker, runner, cyclist or thrill seeker? Whatever your interest or level of fitness, Farleigh Hospice has a fundraising challenge to suit you at www.farleighhospice.org/challenges.

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Just over 15 years ago we moved to rural north west Essex and hunting down a decent cup of coffee became my way of exploring the local area, always on the lookout for hidden spots serving coffee I actually wanted to drink. After far too many bitter, burnt or just plain disappointing cups, I began to wonder: *could I create a collection of coffees that I'd want to drink?*

Following a career in leadership hiring, in late 2023 I decided it was time to step away from the corporate world and pursue my passion for delicious coffee. Prospect Coffee began with that simple idea at its heart – a delicious cup of coffee.

Our beans are sourced through Falcon Specialty Coffees, a UK-based importer that shares our commitment to quality. They work directly with farmers to support sustainable smallholder agriculture and promote positive social and environmental impact.

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Since then, we've added home-baked granola and traditional biscotti to the mix - they're perfect companions. I started making granola in the Covid lockdown of 2020, partly for relaxation, but also to focus on our family's health. The recipe was tweaked in 2022 when a friend's son (Joshua) was diagnosed with a significant illness. He spent months in Great Ormond Street Hospital and struggled with the food... but deliveries of Prospect granola (as it now is!) gave him the appetite and nutritional boost that he needed to recover. We sell online (www.prospectcoffee.co.uk) and also attend a number of local farmers' markets: We have more detail on the 'events' page on our website.

Prospect Coffee is available to buy at Finchingfield Post Office & Stores, and at The Pantry at Baythorne End – where our Blend 218 is also available as a takeaway coffee. If you want to get in touch, please do send an email: hello@prospectcoffee.co.uk. Our website has more detail on each of our coffees and our fully range of products: www.prospectcoffee.co.uk; and our Instagram is @prospect_coffee_uk – please do follow us and see what we're up to!

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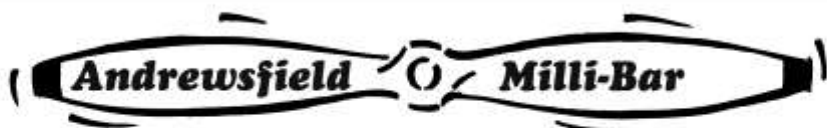
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THE FORGOTTEN GARDENS OF **EASTON LODGE**

And so we come to the last month of the season at the Gardens, with heavy morning dews and mists, lifting to glorious deeply intense blue skies (when the sun shines!!). Some leaves have already fallen due to the drought in the spring and summer - will the lovely autumn fungi have spread or retreated? The best colour in the Gardens is usually right at the end of October, but will it be early?

The Gardens remain open on Thursdays to the end of October, 11.00-3.00pm, and provide visitors with hot drinks and homemade cakes. The last Sunday Open Day of the year is on 19 October, and will be fun for all the family. Children will be encouraged to enjoy spooky corners of the woods, Halloween craft activity and garden games. Our Archivist is planning to focus on the history of the trees in the Gardens and the Archive Room will be open for visitors wishing to learn more about the Gardens' design and people. Bishop's Stortford Ukelele Society will get visitors singing along, to their strumming of popular tunes. The gate opens at 11.00, with last entry at 4.00pm. For more information go to www.eastonlodge.co.uk

Our volunteers work in October to make the most of the last flowers, by deadheading and tidying around them. It is also a month for planning the winter season's work. We look for sites to plant a few additional ornamental trees, to add to our range, and we plan changes to beds and borders. We will be giving further thought to trees and plants for dry areas of course, but in wet weather we also have boggy areas. And there is always room for new bulbs. There is maintenance work to plan too. The Trust welcomes new volunteers throughout the year and those interested can drop us a line on enquiries@eastonlodge.co.uk.

Jill Goldsmith



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The Hundred Parishes

Recently, I was privileged to watch two bats flying around my garden.

They were so quick and acrobatic it was difficult to keep them in view. Bats and their



roosts are legally protected so must not be disturbed. Bats are mammals, giving birth to live young. It reminded me of how lucky we are in The Hundred Parishes to have so many wild mammals in our mainly rural area.

There are several kinds of deer locally, mostly Fallow, Roe or Muntjac. Larger herds are usually Fallow deer which have “palmate” antlers, shaped like the palm of a hand. The smaller Roe deer may be seen in smaller groups – they have a white rump and no visible tail. Muntjac are smaller still and tend to be solitary; they have horns and “tusks” - downward-pointing canine teeth.



Out enjoying our latest walk, number 188, my wife and I surprised two hares who disappeared at great speed when they spotted us. They can run up to 45mph over short distances.

We regularly see foxes in our garden, usually courtesy of our inexpensive night vision camera. In the spring, we enjoyed watching the

young cubs playing. Foxes seem to be a more common sight now, even during daylight, and regularly venture into built up areas.



The camera occasionally spots a badger; he is usually looking for peanuts.

Anyone lucky enough to see hedgehogs in their garden should look after them as their numbers are in decline. They are nocturnal, so at dusk we should put out a shallow bowl of fresh water (not milk as it is bad for their digestion) and perhaps some dog or cat food.

They may repay you by eating slugs and insects although our experience has been that they prefer commercial hedgehog food like Spike's Dinner.

Enjoy them all. Ken McDonald, Secretary



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