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Please note that The Higgler magazine is distributed in the first week of the month so if your event is at the beginning of the month, we suggest you submit your notice in time for the preceding month's edition. This should ensure our readers see the information in time.

Halstead Tea Dances at the Queens Hall, Chipping Hill, 2.00pm to 4.15pm on **Thursday January 19th Malcolm & on Thursday February 16th Mike & Sylvia** Entrance fee £2.50. Raffle 50p a strip. For further details contact Sylvia on 01787 475026.

The Halstead & District Local History Society will hold their **February meeting at 7.30pm on Thursday 16th at the usual venue at the Halstead Baptist Church in Hedingham Road.** The speaker will be Richard Wenley who will give members and visitors a talk on the history of the Bolingbrook and Wenley department store in Chelmsford. For more information on the society go to www.halsteadhistory.org.uk.

Earls Colne Twinning Association Quiz on **Saturday 11 February at 7.30pm in Earls Colne Village Hall.** Tickets are £8.00 per person. Teams of 6, or come along and meet new people and make up a team on the night. Book early to avoid disappointment. Ring: 01787 223313 for tickets or further information

Colne Engaine Dramatic Society presents 'Beauty and the Beast' at **Colne Engaine village hall on January 26th & 27th at 8pm, and 2.30pm & 8pm on January 28th.** Tickets are £6.00 - available from Box Office 01787 222360

Indoor Table Top Sale on **Saturday 28th January & Saturday 25th February at Alec Hunter Humanities College, Stubbs Lane, Essex, CM7 3NR.** Time 12.00pm - 3.00pm. £5 a Plot, £10 for Traders, non-sellers - Entrance Free. Hot and Cold Refreshments on Sale. Lisa Artus on 01376 321813/01376559351 or Lesley on 07986240588 or email Lesley on superted@talk21.com or Lisa on lisa.artus@alechunter.essex.sch.uk

Witham Record & CD Fair on **Saturday 28th January, 10am till 4pm at The Labour Hall, Collingwood Rd, Witham.** 1,000's of Records, CD's & DVD's For Sale. FREE Parking. 50p Entry. 5 min from Witham Train Station.

But You Don't Look Ill - Cheerful support on Thursday the 9th February 1-3pm at The Stevenson Centre, Great Cornard £1. Drop in any time

Braintree District and Witham Philatelic Society is holding a **stamp fair and exhibition in Witham on Saturday 18th February 2012, at the Royal British Legion Memorial Hall, Newland Street, Witham CM8 2AZ.** Fair and exhibition opens 10:30am. Admission FREE, with plenty of free parking behind the hall. Use the HM Inland Revenue car park entrance next door. The society meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month September - May, Braintree Community Centre Victoria Street Braintree, and every fortnight Thursdays throughout the year at Spring Lodge Community Centre Witham. All meetings start 7:45pm. Activities include, guest speakers, displays, packet circuits, library, competitions, auction, bring and buy. Further information on event contact Secretary 01376 561843.

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A Daytime Educational Society for North Essex

Do you want to join in stimulating daytime classes that are both lively and engaging?

Are you interested in helping to start an association of adults from the North Essex area who are trying to set up a group who would like to run classes, broadly educational in nature and covering topics such as Art; Architecture; Theatre; Film; Poetry; Literature; Languages; History; Politics.

If so then join us at the Memorial Hall, Castle Hedingham at 2.30pm on Monday 13 February 2012 for an inaugural meeting. Our well-known local art historian, Graham Slimming, will be giving an illustrated talk about The Artists of East Anglia. This will include some of the work of Eric Ravillious, an artist who lived in Castle Hedingham over 70 years ago and captured many recognisable scenes in and around the villages of this area. We shall be serving refreshments after the lecture and discussing how this educational venture could develop and what subjects would interest members for future sessions. This meeting is initially supported by The Hedingham Heritage Society.

For further information contact: Ian Higgins 01787 460065, Lauri or Miles Scrivens 01787 469766, Rob or Val Worley 01787 460664

Wind Turbine Project Put On Hold

Braintree District Council's plans to produce green electricity are to go on hold, including its public consultation exercise, as uncertainty grows on the anticipated income from the Government's feed-in tariff scheme for renewable energy projects.

Cllr Graham Butland, Leader of Braintree District Council said: "It would be wrong to continue to seek public views on our proposal to put a wind turbine at Great Notley Country Park when we are becoming increasingly uncertain of whether it would be financially viable. I am also concerned about the differing views on appropriate distances of wind turbines from residential properties as nationally there is still a lot of debate on this. Therefore we are putting the wind turbine project on hold so we have more time to research and clarify these key issues before considering the future of this project. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank those people who visited the exhibition and sent in their comments; the consultation exercise to date has been informative, but I think it is right to now bring it to a close as the Council itself has some key issues to consider before we commit any more resources to this project. I want to be assured we are doing the right thing."

Colchester Organ Society Concerts on **Friday 3rd February** artist **A. G. M.** followed by **Tyler Kemp Music & on Friday 2nd March**, artist **Phil Brown** at **The Alderman Blaxill School, Paxman Ave. Colchester.** Doors open at 7pm and the concert starts at 7:45pm through till about 10:15pm with a short interval for refreshments and a raffle. The music is played on electronic organ and keyboards. Entrance is £4 for members and £6 for non-members. For further information Tel: 01787 269458

Farleigh Hospice Craft Group Quiz on **Monday 20th February.** Lunch time Quiz from **12.30pm at the United Reformed Church, Newland Street, Witham CM8 1AH.** Only £6.00 per person, includes a Light Lunch. Tickets from Sheila Gunson on 01621 816084, or the United Reformed Church, Witham.

Over 60s Social Club. A new and exciting social club has opened up for the over 60s in Braintree based at the **Alec Hunter Learning Village, Stubbs Lane, Braintree, Essex. CM7 3NR.** The Club runs every Thursday 2.00pm-4.30pm. Telephone Lisa Artus on 01376 559351/01376 321813, Email lisa.artus@alechunter.essex.sch.uk

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Unravel the anagrams to reveal famous people. One leads to the other, and there's a clue to help you.

- 1 URETHRAL CRACK - (Sci-fi writer)
- 2 LARGE BLACK - (US actor, born 1901)
- 3 KNICKERS ENTHRAL - (British art historian)

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