

# Notice Board

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**Please note that The Higgler magazine is distributed the first week of every 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 - 4.15pm. **Thursday July 22nd Mike & Sylvia & on Thursday August 19th Dennis & Betty.** Entrance fee £2.50. Raffle 50p a strip. For further details contact Sylvia on 01787 475026.

**Chappel & Wakes Colne Village Fete** on Saturday 24th July from 2pm to 5pm at Chappel Primary School Field, The Street, Chappel. Fun for all the family, live music, bouncy castle, dancing, the ladies Red Barrows Team, childrens horticultural show, BBQ, Beer & Business Tent and stalls from local organisations and businesses, and lots more too! Tel: Linda Goodchild 01787 228508 or Sue Chamley 01787 222774

**St Peter & St Paul's Church, Black Notley: Summer Fete** to be held next to Church on Saturday 10th July, 2 - 4.30pm. Stalls, Side-shows, Refreshments and Entertainment.

**Coggeshall Amateur Theatrical Society** Present 'A Battle of Wills' by Martin Ladbrook. A Comedy of manners, with more than a touch of farce. The production will be staged in the NT Grange Barn, Coggeshall on 22nd, 23rd & 24th of July. Tickets from 'The Little Picture House' Coggeshall or Tel: 01376 562039

**Summer Fayre** Saturday 10th July 12-3pm, Friends of Edith Borthwick School, Church Street, Bocking, Braintree. There will be BBQ, Refreshments, Cake Stall, Bouncy Castle, Hoop A Duck, Raffle, Throw a Sponge at a teacher, Books & Video's, Car Boot sale, Football Shoot Out, Guess The Weight of the cake, and lots, lots more.

**Family Fete** to be held at Colne Engaine Primary School, Green Farm Road, Colne Engaine, Colchester on Saturday 17th July 3pm onwards. Attractions include: Velcro Fly Wall, Bouncy Castles, Licenced Bar, BBQ, Face Painting, Raffle, Treasure Hunt and lots more traditional fun games. All welcome, please come along. Entrance by donation.

**The Halstead and District Local History Society** will not be having their usual evening meeting this month but are having another "away day" when members and visitors will make their own way to visit the newly Refurbished Essex Regiment Museum in Chelmsford. The visit will take place on **Sunday July 18 between 1 and 4 pm** and entrance is free. For more information on the society please visit [www.halsteadhistory.org.uk](http://www.halsteadhistory.org.uk)

**Riotous Assembly**, a folk opera concerning the East Anglian riots of 1816 featuring the Sible Hedingham Five will be performed at the Coggeshall Grange Barn on 30th July at 7.30pm. Tickets priced £5 are available from Jane Winch on 01787 476419

**Halstead Arts Group Annual Exhibition and Sale** on the 20th, 21st and 22nd August at St Andrews Church Hall, Parsonage Street, Halstead. All are welcome to attend the preview evening on Friday 20th August from 7pm to 9pm to gain first viewing of the artwork and join the artists in a glass of wine and 'nibbles'. Alternatively visit the main exhibition on either Saturday 21st August from 10am to 5pm and Sunday 22nd August from 10am to 4pm with free admission.

**de Vere Primary School Castle Hedingham Summer Fair** on Saturday 17 July from 12noon to 3pm. For stall information etc please contact Karen on 461460 or [kmburrows@btinternet.com](mailto:kmburrows@btinternet.com)

**Lavenham Art Society Annual Art Exhibition** on Saturday 21st to Monday 30th August, to be held in Lavenham Church, Church Street, Lavenham. Open from 9.00am to 7.00pm each day. Admission is free and disabled access is available. Free parking in "Village Hall" car park.

**Sesaw Jumble Sale** in the garden at Stoke Road, Leavenheath on Saturday 17 July from 11 am to 3pm. Admission 20p. The current financial crisis results in our seeing larger numbers of animals being brought to us than usual, many needing urgent veterinary care (our vet bills are approx £2000 per month) and we are having to be a little imaginative to try and meet this cost. One opportunity has been for us to collect clean textiles: anything from tea towels, curtains, sheets, old towels, blankets, duvets etc, including old shoes and bags; we either sell them on, use them for the animals or in our various fund raising sales. We have just extended the range of items we collect to raise money to include old mobile phones and ink cartridges. Should you be having a clear out we would be grateful to receive any of these items, please either drop them off at the Centre on the Stoke Road or leave a message on 01787 210888 and we will arrange collection. Our last garden sale in May was very successful raising just over £500. Our thanks to all who supported us either by attending or giving items to sell.

**Halstead Cricket Club Real Ale & Cider Festival** Sunday 29th August & Bank Holiday Monday 30th August 2010 at the Star Stile Cricket Ground, Sudbury Road, Halstead. Bar Open from 12 Noon on Sunday, 11am on Monday. Live Music by The Victory Jazz Band and a Hog Roast on Sunday, Barbecue on Monday.

**PDQ Cricket League Matches**

**v Great Bromley** from 1 p.m. on Sunday.

**v West Mersea** from 1 p.m. on Monday.

Admission Free. Children must be accompanied by adults

**Arts and Crafts Weekend** on Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th July from 10.00am to 5.00 pm at Little Hall Museum in Lavenham. This is a London 2012 Heritage Open Weekend event - "Are you up for a challenge?" There will be displays and interactive demonstrations. Join us and rise to challenges spin, weave, carve wood, shape green wood, manipulating digital photos and make beads and corn dollies. Challenges come in all forms; ours are rather less competitive and come with a tangible end product!

**Memorial Concert for Mo Mc Farlane Blore** on 10th July in St Andrews Church Halstead at 7pm. Our group of classical and light entertainment singers (formed originally by Terry Middleton) are set to perform again. This time the concert is in memory of our dear friend Mo Mc Farlane Blore who we sadly lost last year. All funds raised are to go to Mo's charities. As this concert is for Mo, hat wearing is most welcome. Tickets are £6, which includes a glass of wine or fruit juice. So, if you can spare the time, come and join us for a very pleasant summers evening event, to remember a very special friend to many. Tickets available from Nancy Richardson 01787 472216.

**Halstead Town Council Summer Fun** at Weavers' Court. Saturday 24th July - Sleak Balloons with 200 balloons to give away from 10am until supply is exhausted

Saturday 31st July - Face Painting from 10am to 3pm

Saturday 7th August - Face Painting from 10am to 3pm

Saturday 14th August - Ceramic painting from 10am with 100 pieces to be painted

Saturday 21st August - Ceramic painting from 10am with 100 pieces to be painted

Saturday 28th August - Sleak Balloons with 200 balloons to give away from 10am until supply is exhausted.

**Concert** at the Parish Church of St Peter ad Vincula, Coggeshall on Saturday 17th July, 7.30pm. Coggeshall Camerata Janette Ruocco

**Boot Sale.** Halstead Town Football Club with Halstead in Bloom invite you to a Boot Sale at the Football Club, Rosemary Lane, Halstead. Gates open for sellers at 9am, cost £5.00 per car, £8.00 per van. Buyers welcome from 10am. Bar will be open and refreshments will be available. Dates are: 11th July, 8th August, 12th September & 10th October.

**Acorn Children's Centre, Beridge Road, Halstead. Acorn CC offers play sessions and development skills FREE to the Under 5's.** Support is also available at the Centre or in your home. Contact Nicola Berners on 01787 477162 for more information.

**Rainbow Children's Centre, based the Rural Area covering Sible Hedingham, Belchamp St Paul, Ridgewell, Bulmer, Weathersfield, Finchingfield, Great Bardfield and Steeple Bumpstead.** Come along and have lots of fun the FREE Stay & Play groups for 0 - 5 years. Contact Louisa Ings on 07500 864641

**The Valley Children's Centre, Why not come along and join in the fun at The Valley Children's Centre, Park Lane, Earls Colne,** activities for 0-5 years in a warm friendly environment. Contact Liz Foster on 01787 223673 for more information.

**Colne Community Drum Circle. Every Thursday 7.30 - 9.30 at Earls Colne.** Good Company - Great Fun! All equipment and refreshments provided. No musical experience required - everybody welcome. Donation £5. Tel: Graham 01787 222232. Email: [grahamgame@aol.com](mailto:grahamgame@aol.com). [www.drum4good.com](http://www.drum4good.com)

**Coggeshall Carpet Bowls. Try for free any Tuesday evening 7pm to 9pm** at Coggeshall Community Hall. For further information ring Christine on 01376 563971

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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 AY, JAKY - (Band frontman)
- 2 HER MEN COLLAPSE - (US model)
- 3 ME IN ME - (Rapper)