GREAT TEY FOOTPATH WALKING GROUP

January - Well we kicked off the New Year with a bang as 19 members joined us for our annual 'London Literary Walk' led by Paul Burns. This time it was centred around the Soho and Fitzrovia districts. Although icy cold,



we all enjoyed a beautiful winter's day as Paul introduced us to a quite different history to the one perhaps most people would expect. Our thanks go to Paul for organising this really interesting and informative day.

Sunday February 16th - This month it's 'Snow-drop time' and we plan to go in search of these little gems around Great Tey. The walk is between 3-4 miles and we meet in the Village Hall car park at 2.30pm.

Saturday March 14th & Sunday March 15th -

Coming up, firstly our AGM & Social Evening is on Saturday 14th March 2020. All members are reminded and indeed invited to join us at 7.30pm. It will be held at 25 Chrismund Way, Great Tey as in the past. Once all the formalities are completed the social element will begin with wine & food. Please confirm your attendance by email/phone beforehand, see contact details below.

Then on **Sunday March 15th** we have another local walk, this time the emphasis is on 'Lambing' so it will be centred around one of our local sheep farms. We meet in the Village Hall car park @ 2.30pm. Whilst this is a family walk and anyone is welcome to join us, regrettably as it is across fields, prams or pushchairs are ill advised.

For more information about any of our guided walks, please contact the following:-

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Jane Pearson 01206 210855

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THE DRIFTERS GIRL - The new musical at the Garrick Theatre in London

I have booked a coach and tickets (approx 53 seats) for the new Musical "The



Drifters Girl" with Beverly Knights on Wednesday 25th November, 2020 for the 2.30p matinee performance. The price is £55.00 for tickets and coach with a pick-up at Marks Tey Hotel at 9.45am (plus £4.00 for parking) and Great Tey Village Hall at 10.00am.

If anyone is interested in going would they please put the whole amount per person into an envelope (with name, address and contact number) and put/post it through my letter box at The Old Vicarage, Chappel Road, Great Tey, Colchester, CO6 1JQ (next door to the Village Hall) preferably before 19th February when the tickets must be paid for. Thank you



I also still have 3 seats left for the Musical "Only Fools and Horses" on Monday 17th February 2020 for the 7.30pm evening performance. The price is £70.00 for ticket and coach. If anyone is interested, or knows anyone who may be interested, please put the full amount per person into an envelope and put it through my letter box at The Old Vicarage, Chappel Road, Great Tey, Colchester, CO6 1JQ (next door to the Village Hall). Thank you.

Norma Tregoning (07712250458)

WINTER BOWLS LEAGUE TABLE - 17/01/2020

After 30 games the league has just passed the half way mark. The games have been very competitive and, as yet, there have been no yellow cards or sending –offs!

But this could all change as the competition gets more intense with another 18 games to go. At the moment, the Hot Shots lead the way but there is not a lot in it. Next session is on the 31st January.

Team	Played	Won	Drew	Lost	For	Against	Points
Hot Shots	30	20	1	9	144	86	61
Pee Bees	30	19	1	10	140	96	58
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Poles Apart	30	13	5	12	130	105	44
Youth Club	30	11	2	17	95	143	35
The Ringers	30	10	4	16	88	142	34
Guns 'n Roses	30	7	4	19	72	111	25

VILLAGE FUNDRAISING CHALLENGE - SUNDAY 17th MAY 2020

How would you like to join in a one day challenge to walk the entire footpath boundary of Great Tey Parish (approx 13 miles) and help raise funds towards the proposed swimming pool adjacent to Great Tey Primary School?

In doing so, and apart from helping raise funds for this really great asset, it will make you aware of how big and beautiful the countryside is around where we live!! You can do it individually, as a family, or as a group.

If you think 13 miles is too long, then you can do it as a relay instead and each do a section. Whichever you decide, put the date in your diary and apply for an entry form now. Apply to: Peter Wakeling 01206 211887 Email: peteanddil@hotmail.com

Coming soon Tey's Got Talent!

Brush up on your talents and take to the stage.

Interested Acts to contact Sarah on teycrossbarn@ amail.com



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GREAT TEY PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meets in the Village Hall on the second Tuesday in every month at 7.30pm. The Clerk, David Williams, is contactable on 01787 224895 or **greatteyparishcouncil @outlook.com**

DEDICATE A SNOWDROP

Celebrate and remember the life of a loved one this February with a Snowdrop.

St Helena Hospice has commissioned 1,500 commemorative snowdrop flowers which have been hand-crafted in metal by the British Ironwork

Centre. The Snowdrops will create a display at the beautiful Beth Chatto Gardens from 14th – 16th February 2020.



St Helena Hospice is giving people the chance to dedicate a Snowdrop in memory of a loved one in return for a donation to support local hospice care, and after the display your Snowdrop is yours to keep, or give as a gift. This is not limited to just those who have used hospice services; anyone who wishes to remember and celebrate someone special is welcome to dedicate a Snowdrop.

The display will be open to the public from Friday 14th to Sunday 16th February, giving visitors the opportunity to reflect on the life and memories of a loved one. Visitors will also have the option to write a message for their loved one on remembrance boards which will be proudly displayed throughout the weekend at Beth Chatto Gardens.

Following the display, the boards will be moved to St Helena Hospice's Learning & Development Centre, where people have the chance to view the boards again and share in a moment of reflection.

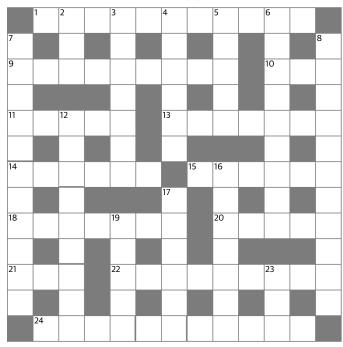
Essex based solicitors, Fisher Jones Greenwood is the headline sponsor for St Helena Hospice's Snowdrops. The appeal is also being supported by sponsors Perrywood Sudbury and East of England Co-op Funeral Services.

Snowdrops are available now for a suggested donation of £30 to St Helena Hospice, which could help a child dealing with the death of a parent to work with the Children and Families Bereavement team to channel their feelings with activities such as decorating a flowerpot and planting their own snowdrops.

St Helena Hospice's Snowdrops are very limited so to guarantee yours please visit www.sthelena.org. uk/snowdrops.

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Across

- 1. Film or book making profits (11)
- 9. Staying power (9)
- 10. Yellowish-brown (3)
- 11. See how the land lies (informal) (5)
- 13. Put in order organise (7)
- 14. The man (anag) uplifting song (6)
- 15. Intellectual capacity (6)
- 18. Can be upheld (7)
- 20. Groom (oneself) with evident vanity (5)
- 21. Mongrel (3)
- 22. Volume of liquid used in cooking (9)
- 24. Has an unhappy outcome (4,2,5)

Down

- 1. Boy (3)
- 3. Funeral procession (7)
- 4. Author of Pilgrim's Progress, d.1688 (6)
- 5. Remove fleece (5)
- 6. Far reaching (9)
- 7. Coronary (5,6)
- 8. All the time (11)
- 12. Make a rapid escape (3,3,3)
- 16. Ecstacy (7)
- 17. Take into custody (6)
- 19. Public swimming pool (5)
- 23. Distant (3)

Following a very enjoyable Christmas, with the children involved in lots of activities including our Christmas Fete, Christmas Performances, Carol Singing, a trip to the Panto and a delicious Christmas Lunch, we have settled back into a hopefully calmer



term! Our oldest children in Woodpeckers Class are learning about ID this term and investigating what creates our identity; whether our identity can change and how we can protect our identity, particularly online.

Robins Class are learning about Mountains, Rivers and Coasts as part of their work in Geography.

Sparrows Class, for children in Y1 and 2, are learning about The Enchanted Woodland and are looking forward to a trip to Abbotts Hall Farm in Great Wigborough to do some den building, scavenger hunting and toasting marchmallows around the bonfire.

Our youngest children in Ducklings Class are learning about traditional stories and are enjoying acting out their favourites.

This term, we are also enjoying lots of after school extra-curricular clubs and activities, including Tennis, Cricket, Football, Dance, Gymnastics and Film Club. At lunchtime, we are keeping warm in Library, Knitting, Colouring, Computing and Lego Club rather than spending the whole time outside!

As I write this, we are looking forward to our Candlemas Community Worship on Friday 31st January at 11.00am in St. Barnabas church. Our Easter Community worship is at 11.00am on Friday 3rd April, also in church, and we would love to see you there.

Best wishes,

Lucy Overton



GREAT TEY DROP IN

We had a good number of people come to the DROP-IN last month and hopefully it will continue to carry on so. Not only do we now have home made cakes and tea/coffee, but this month we had people playing Dominos and card games, apart from those people who came just to meet with friends and have a chat. We also have our residential IT expert for all your queries and questions on your computer. All this in one place and for only £1.00 entry!!

We meet on the 2nd Thursday in the month – this month it will be Thursday 13th February 2020 from 2.00-4.00pm in the Village Hall. Come along and join us.

Norma Tregoning

EYES DOWN - BINGO

The next Bingo Session will be held at the Village Hall on Thursday, 27th February 2020 between 2.00 pm and 4.00 pm.

A great afternoon with prizes to be won. Tea and cakes available – so do come and join the fun and have a chat with your friends. Bingo takes place on the 4th Thursday of each month.



Beryl Brewer

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