



ROUNDABOUT

SEPTEMBER 2022

GREAT TEY

NEWS, VIEWS AND EVENTS IN & AROUND GT TEY

EDITORIAL

My apologies if you were late getting your copy of the September paper but it was due to problems at the printers, resulting in the delay of delivery and distribution to all the people who kindly put the papers through your letterbox.

This leads me to remind everyone that this paper is uploaded every month to the village website, after the hard copy has been delivered, where you can check old copies or read the latest, should you not have received a copy. So there is no excuse to miss reading every issue!

My sincere thanks to a contributor and reader who most generously donated the cost of one month's printing. I am sure this person would prefer to remain anonymous, but you know who you are and I thank you.

As we get closer to the Christmas period I must remind you to let me know of any event or party you have planned for our community that you would like promoted in this paper. This also applies to anything you may be planning for the New Year because, due to the difficulty of getting sufficient articles and the festive holiday, this paper is not published in January.

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BOTTLE STALL AT CHURCH FETE

Each time I run this stall I am amazed at the generosity of Great Tey and Little Tey Villagers, so once again I would like to thank all the people that donated bottles to The Bottle Stall at the Fete. As usual it was very busy and, I think, very enjoyable for everyone who bought a ticket and won a bottle. It was also enjoyed by those who bought a ticket and did not win because they came back again and again!

We were able to add approx £350.00 towards Church fund so it was a good day all round. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE.

Norma Tregoning.

THE QUEEN'S FUNERAL

Many thanks to Terry and Natalie for opening up the Pub on Monday to allow anyone in the Village who wished, to watch the procession on their two screens, within a communal group. Thanks also for the sandwiches and the apple pies, it made a remarkable day even more special sharing the experience with other people. It was very much appreciated.

Harvest Supper

The Barn, Bucklers Farmhouse

on

Saturday, October 15th

@ 7pm

Tickets £12

Can be purchased by ringing

07543635469



DRAFT AGENDA GT TEY PARISH COUNCIL

Sorry, but no agenda this month due to postponement and late running of Parish Council meeting.

Space left but nothing to fill it!

1ST GREAT TEY SCOUTS GROUP

1st Great Tey Scouts are excited to announce that we will be reopening our scout troop in the village on Wednesday 5th October. We will be meeting in the village hall between 19.15 – 20.30 each week. So we are looking for young people between 10.5 – 14 years old to join our Scout troop.

This month our scouts organised the car parking at the village church fete. Matthew and Rose ran a games stool at the fete to raise money towards their world scout jamboree fundraising which was well supported.

All sections of the 1st Gt Tey scout group including Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Young leaders attended a two night camp at Thorington Scout camp on the weekend of 9th September. Everyone had a fantastic time, it was a great weekend and was nice to have all sections camping together. We would like to thank the village fund for the donation towards the camp that allowed everyone to have such a enjoyable weekend.



1st Great Tey REOPENING Wednesday 5th October!

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We are an active and community based Group situated in Great Tey. We are part of the Colchester North Scout District, which in turn is part of the Essex Scout County.

Scouting provides fun, challenge and adventure to over 500,000 members, and all of their leaders in the United Kingdom.

The aim of the Scouting Association is to encourage the physical, mental, and spiritual development of young people so they may take a constructive place in society. Scouting tries to achieve this aim by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based upon the Scout promise and law.

The 1st Great Tey Scout Group offers an active programme for 6 years upwards in Beavers, Cubs & Scouts. You are welcome to come along for a visit or taster if you want to see what we are about. Everyone is welcome to come along and get involved – uniforms are not required for new members! Please get in touch to find out more or if you would like to join – 1stgreatteygroup@gmail.com or call AJ Watson on 07946671596

SEWING CLASS

Although we are still small in numbers we are quite an enthusiastic group, and hopefully we will have some interesting items made up and wearable before long. This group now includes a quilter, so anyone interested in sewing in general is welcome to come along. We all help each other to finish our chosen projects.

We meet on the first Monday in the month – this month will be Monday 3rd October, from 3pm – 4.30pm in the Village Hall. The cost is £10.00 per person per session, with the money going to the swimming pool fund, after hall hire is deducted. Everyone is welcome.

Norma Tregoning

EYES DOWN - BINGO

We had an excellent turnout after the summer break in September and it was good to meet up with you all again.

The next Bingo Session will be held at the Village Hall on Thursday, 13th October 2022 between 2.00 pm and 4.00 pm.

Please advertise us to your relatives and friends so we continue to boost our numbers. It is a very social occasion with 6 games of Bingo for £1, and £2 for endless tea, coffee and cake.

Bingo is held normally on the 2nd Thursday of the month between 2.00pm to 4.00 pm.



Beryl Brewer

GREAT TEY COMMUNITY POOL

Not much to report regarding events for the funding of the pool, except the Halloween Disco on Wednesday 26th October (half term) from 6 - 8pm at the cost of £5.00 per child. A light party tea and a Disco, plus prizes for best dressed Halloween outfit and most interestingly carved Pumpkin. Come and join in the fun.

We will also have a Santas's Grotto again, at the Village Hall during the Table Top Sale at the end of November, which was very popular last year and hopefully will be again.

Great Tey Community Pool Fundraising Committee



GREAT TEY WI

Last month we had a very enjoyable time "trying" to do Macrami. Abi Freeman, demonstrated how to do it, and we just had to follow what she taught us. Some of us were very good and some of us were not so good!

This month will be another interesting evening as Pinky Patel (famous for her Daal) will be telling us about the history of Henna and hopefully be demonstrating how she does the beautifully intricate designs.

We meet on the first Tuesday in the month at the Village Hall - this month it will be on 4th October at 7.30pm. Visitors are welcome to join us.

Great Tey WI Committee



Christmas Jumper Disco Party at The Chequers

**Saturday 12th November
7pm - midnight**

**Prize for best and worst jumper
Raffle/Buffer**

Tickets £10.00 each

**All proceeds to Dementia UK/
Admiral Nurses**

**Tickets available from
Christine Potter, Linda Thomson
or The Chequers**



VILLAGE CRICKET MATCHES 2022 - The Players win again

Village cricket returned to Great Tey in style this summer with the successful reprise of our two annual matches – one in June and a second match in September.

Simon Mann and his team prepared an excellent wicket for both matches – thank you. Those who played described the wicket as 'bowler friendly'. Our summer refreshments were provided by the uniform groups and then, in September, the Colliers were on hand with tea and cakes as a fundraiser for the global scout jamboree in South Korea. Our umpires were all called John (which makes things easier). A huge thanks to all of these individuals who were integral to the success of these village events.

And the matches were a success. Players were cheered on by a large crowd (more than most cricket clubs get!) and the games were played in warm sunshine and good spirits.

June

The Players (The Chequers) won the toss and put The Gentlemen into bat. Peter Wakeling struck a nearly six for The Gentlemen but this was a rare boundary in a rather disappointing batting display on a fast wicket. Batters fell regularly with Paul King (1 wicket for two runs) and newcomer Matt Sullivan (2-2) the pick of the bowlers. The Gentlemen posted 83-6 off their 20 overs with only Sam Collins, Peter Wakeling and Mr Wides getting into double figures.

The game was over in 10 overs with Henry Dow (28) and Matt Sullivan (26) leading the way for The Players. Freddie Brooks took his first wicket (of many I am sure) in the Great Tey village games but couldn't dislodge his father Alec who hit the winning run. The Players batted on for practice and posted an excellent 117-4.

September

The Players came into the September match full of confidence after winning the last two village games. This meant the lifetime match score between the Players (Chequers) and Gentlemen stood at 17 wins each. The crowd were full of anticipation – who would win the 35th match between these old rivals and take a lead in the series?

The Players batted first and runs came quickly with Paul King playing a cultured innings (18 runs) whilst Jack Perfect-Brown (28 not out) and Matt Sullivan (27 not out) relied on boundaries. Sam King finished off the innings with 23 not out. Only Neil Spicer and, first timer, Josh Whitehead managed to take wickets and The Players posted a formidable looking 125-2.

The reply from The Gentlemen was rather measured (slow) and batters got themselves out before they could settle in. A fine 20 from John King was the only

highlight as The Gentlemen could only post 73-9 off their 20 overs. Seven different bowlers took a wicket each for The Players making it a real team effort.

So, a clean sweep for The Players in 2022 sees them take a lead in the lifetime series of 18 – 17 over The Gentlemen. Roll on next summer!

GREAT TEY FOOTPATH WALKING GROUP

Sunday 18 September 2022 - Our shorter afternoon walk around Stisted Village was well supported and really enjoyed by all. Two very fit members even decided to walk from Great Tey to Stisted (10 miles) and join us at our starting place near Stisted Church making their total walk just over 12 miles, well done Chloe & Emma!!



Sunday 16 October 2022 - Afternoon local walk to Chalkney Wood taking in the beautiful Autumn colours, approx 5 miles, meet Great Tey Village Hall car park at 3pm, or for those who prefer to drive/walk, then 3.45pm to 4pm in the car park/layby in Earls Colne Road/Tey Road beside Chalkney Wood.

Monday – Wednesday 14 - 16 November 2022 - Our first away walking break in three years!! This time we are visiting Rye & Camber Sands in East Sussex. We plan to stay in the area for two nights in budget accommodation and complete a number of interesting walks over the three days returning late afternoon on Wednesday 16 November. For more information, please contact Peter Wakeling on 01206 211887.

Sunday 20 November 2022 - Afternoon local walk around Great Tey, 4-5 miles, meet 2.30pm in village hall car park.

Sunday 11 December 2022 - Coming up, Ramblers/Cyclists special Christmas Carol Service in Lawford Church near Manningtree, preceded by a walk in the Lawford area followed by lunch, then the Carol Service commences at 3pm. Meet 9.30am in Great Tey Village Hall car park.

Sunday 18 December 2022 - Also coming up, morning local walk followed by something seasonal in The Chequers afterwards, 3-4 miles, meet 10am Great Tey Village Hall car park.

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

Peter Wakeling, 01206 211887, email: peteanddil@hotmail.com

Jane Pearson, 01206 210855, email: drjanepearson@gmail.com

Kenny's SESAW News

Life can be up one day and down the next. Before the sad loss of our Queen last month, our ladies were enjoying running a Rummage Sale in the middle of another heatwave. They raised over £1500 and some of the visitors were also interested in acquiring a new pet, much to Mum's delight.

Now, in keeping with the melancholy mood, Autumn has arrived and we turn our thoughts to the months ahead. The Christmas Fair in November is our last event of the fundraising season and volunteer numbers have dropped so we have stopped accepting donated items until next year. Some of our supporters sell online so if you have anything special, please leave a message on the answerphone or email sue.wilson317@btinternet.com before bringing them in. We will, of course, continue to accept CLEAN bedding and towels but NO PILLOWS, CUSHIONS or feather duvets.

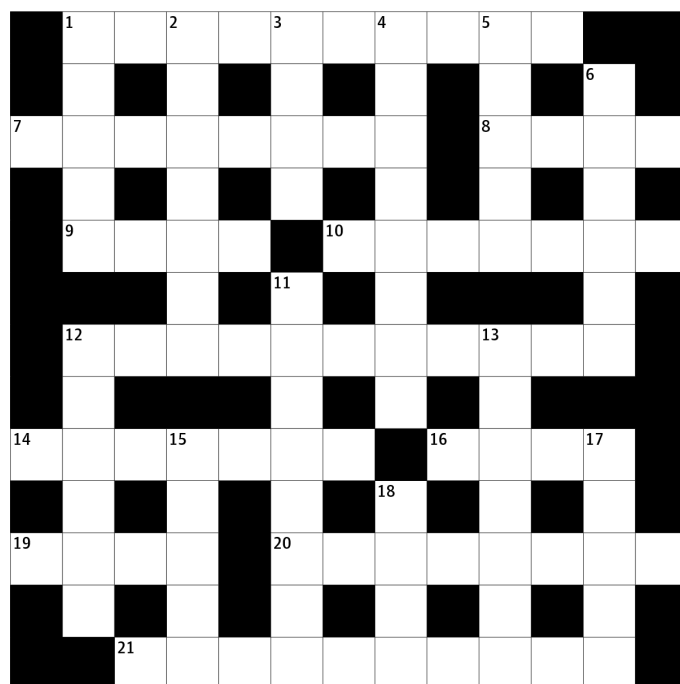
Our Volunteers enjoy their days at SESAW as can be seen in the photo. If you would like to help care for the cats, dogs, rabbits or chickens, please leave a clear message with your name and number on 01787 210888 or email info@sesaw.co.uk. New volunteers can be sure of a warm welcome from all of us, including me, Kenny (the Boss) Chihuahua!

Suffolk & Essex Small Animal Welfare, Registered Charity No.1124029, Stoke Road, Leavenheath, CO6 4PP. Tel: 01787 210888, www.sesaw.co.uk



R&A QUICK CROSSWORD

Answers on back page



Across

1. Stout staff used by mountain climbers
7. Thorny shrub with red blossoms, native to Japan (8)
8. Something used in baking and roasting (4)
9. Hoofed grazer (4)
10. Area that includes China, Mongolia, Korea, Japan and most of Siberia (3,4)
12. Vicissitudes (3,3,5)
14. Praise (7)
16. Spike — insult (4)
19. Injure and leave permanently disfigured (4)
20. Bighead (8)
21. Living side by side (2-8)

Down

1. Grant (5)
2. Mastery (7)
3. Hammered spike (4)
4. Holder of leaves for a brew (3,5)
5. Selected one thing rather than another (5)
6. In opposition to (6)
11. Holder of powdered tobacco (8)
12. Transfer data from one computer to another (6)
13. Quarrel bitterly (7)
15. J's coded lover? (5)
17. Explode (5)
18. Raised platform (4)

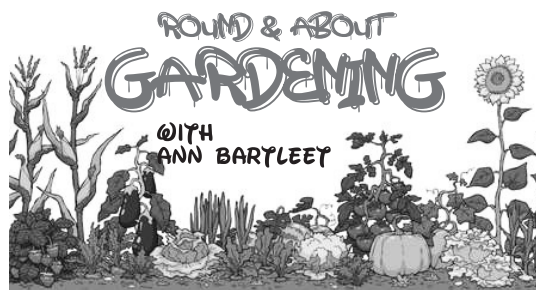
GARDENING NOTES October 2022

Lawns!

I don't know about yours, but my lawn is looking pretty miserable! Like everyone else's, mine has been brown all over for most of the summer. As I write it is looking a bit greener in patches, but I am not sure how much of it is going to recover. I am not too fussy about the grass. I think this is a reaction to my father who would spend Sunday afternoons on his hands and knees digging out dandelions with my mother's kitchen knife. A bit of an obsessive! For years I didn't do anything about the clover, dandelions and speedwell which made up most of the lawn. However, when it got to the stage of having almost no grass at all I thought it needed taking in hand, so I now get some help in managing it.

In spite of the help, it looked so bad and was 99% brown thatch, I thought the time had come for a bit of professional advice so I got in touch, and here is the advice I got.

Grass is surprisingly resilient. As long as the draught doesn't start too early in the growing season, the roots will retain enough living tissue to come back even if the top growth seems to be dead. For those of you with long memories, lawns struggled much more in 1976 because the lack of rain started much earlier than this year and many lawns didn't recover and had to be re-seeded.



So, what can we do to help sort the grass out this autumn, ready for next year? My reaction had been to scarify it to get rid of all that brown thatch – quite the wrong thing to do, I was told! The new grass, which is likely to grow through the thatch, is tender and scarifying it will just destroy the new growth and perhaps the whole plant. The best thing you can do is to aerate the grass because the hot weather means that the soil has become compacted. You can hire a machine to do the aerating for you, if you have a large lawn. If it is just a small patch or you are feeling energetic you can drive a fork about two inches into the lawn at about 9 inches apart, all over the lawn. This will help the soil and new growth. At the same time spreading gypsum on the grass will help regrowth along with a proprietary winter feed. If you can't find gypsum in your local garden centre, you can certainly find it on line.

If the worse comes to the worse you can always put some seed on any bare patches that haven't recovered next spring, but with a bit of luck.....!

GREAT TEY & BEYOND CALENDAR

The Great Tey and Beyond 2023 calendar is now available to buy, it's the fourth calendar produced from views sketched by Karen Delderfield and Yvonne Cooney. Made up mostly of Great Tey sketches it also includes views from neighbouring villages Earls Colne, Chappel, Coggeshall and Little Tey.



The price this year remains at £8.50 as our printers, Spingold Design and Print, have very generously kept their charges to a minimum.

Calendars are on sale now at The Chequers and later in September will be available from Barron's Mobile Shop and Ecolnes Refillery in Earls Colne. We are very grateful for their support. We can also hand deliver to homes in Great Tey, Earls Colne or Chappel and can post within the UK at the cost of £1.65. Please email me if you would like us to do this for you.

All profits from calendar sales will be donated to St Helena Hospice.

Thank you for your support, Yvonne Cooney Email:- gtteycalendar@btinternet.com

CHURCH NEWS October 2022

This month the highlight will be a Harvest Festival in Great and Little Tey churches. In Great Tey we will be decorating the church with autumn flowers as well as fruit and this year we are hoping for lots of pumpkins again (see elsewhere in the Newsletter). Do join us if you can.

Services during October

- 2 October 10.00am **Harvest Festival** (Little Tey)
- 2 October 10.00am Morning Service (Chappel)
- 9 October 10.00am Benefice Communion (Little Tey)
- 16 October 10.00am **Harvest Festival** (Great Tey)
- 23 October 6.30pm Evensong (Little Tey)
- 23 October 10.00am Benefice Communion (Wakes Colne)
- 30 October - there will be no service in the Benefice as it is the 5th Sunday in the month.

Don't forget if you would like more information in addition to the above, you can opt to receive John Carr's weekly email. Please contact him on carrjc@gmail.com to join.

The Fete

Many, many thanks to everyone who helped make the Fete a great success again this year.

It was a bit windy and perhaps not quite as warm as the swimmers would have liked, but everyone seemed to have enjoyed themselves. Thank you to everyone who came and joined in the fun.

This year we had a bumper number of individual helpers which makes it difficult to thank you all individually. All we can say is that it wouldn't have happened without you.

Our thanks to all those enterprises who sponsored a raffle prize; Classic Pot Emporium, The Barn Restaurant, Livelands, Poplar Garden Centre, The Swan Chappel, the Post Office Chappel, Swim to Swim, The King's Head, Allerton's Fashions and Chappel Post Office. As a result, we made £2,000 for church funds – a great result, thank you all.

Harvest Supper

Please note that we are holding it at Bucklers Farmhouse again this year. It is held in a traditional Essex Barn, which everyone who came last year, thought felt the right sort of venue for this celebration of 'harvest home'. The Supper will be held on Saturday 15th October, at 7pm. We have applied for a licence and hope to have some live music again this year.

Tickets are £12 – please ring or leave a text on 07543635469, if you would like one. Do ring if you would like a lift to Bucklers Farm.

PUMPKIN TIME!

Help us decorate the church with pumpkins at Harvest Festival this year.



Bring your pumpkin to the church porch either on Saturday 1th October or better still on Sunday

morning, the 16th from 9.30 onwards and join us in celebrating the end of Harvest.

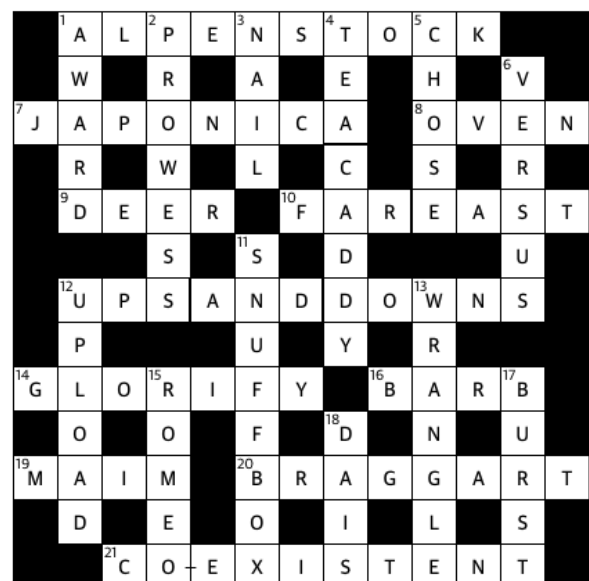
We will light tealights in some of the pumpkins so please have a go at carving your pumpkin. Hints and tips can be found by Googling or looking at YouTube.

After the service (which won't be too long!) tea and coffee will be served.

Traditionally the congregation brought fruit and vegetables for anyone in the parish struggling to feed their family to the harvest festival service. Nowadays we welcome produce in any form – tins are fine! We will give them to a good cause.

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THE CHEQUERS

Opening Hours

Weekday lunchtimes from 12pm – 2:00pm & Wednesday evenings from 6pm – 8:30pm
we offer a set menu – 2 Courses £13.50, 3 Courses £15.95

Monday – Closed all day

Tuesday – 5:30pm – 10.30pm

Wednesday/Thursday – 12.00pm – 3.00pm 5:30pm – 10.30pm

Friday – 12.00pm – 3.00pm 5.00pm – 11.30pm

Saturday – 12.00pm – 11.30pm

Sunday – 12.00pm – 8.00pm

(food served Wednesday to Sunday)

UPCOMING EVENTS

16th October, Sunday – Quiz Night – Book your table -maximum 6 people per team

5th November, Saturday – Bonfire Night – Bring a firework (please drop off a week before so we have an idea of how many people will be coming along) BBQ also available during the evening

November, Sunday – Quiz Night – date to be confirmed

12th November, Saturday – Dementia fund raising evening – with Disco – further details next month

26th November, Saturday – Themed menu – further details next month

Please note: the website shown on an internet search of The Chequers Great Tey is not owned by us and the information is out of date.

Tel: 01206 210814

Facebook: The Chequers-Great Tey (The new page has a hyphen in between words, the old page belongs to the previous tenant of The Chequers)

Instagram: The Chequers-Great Tey the_chequers_great_tey

Email: thechequersgreattey@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you @ The Chequers.

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