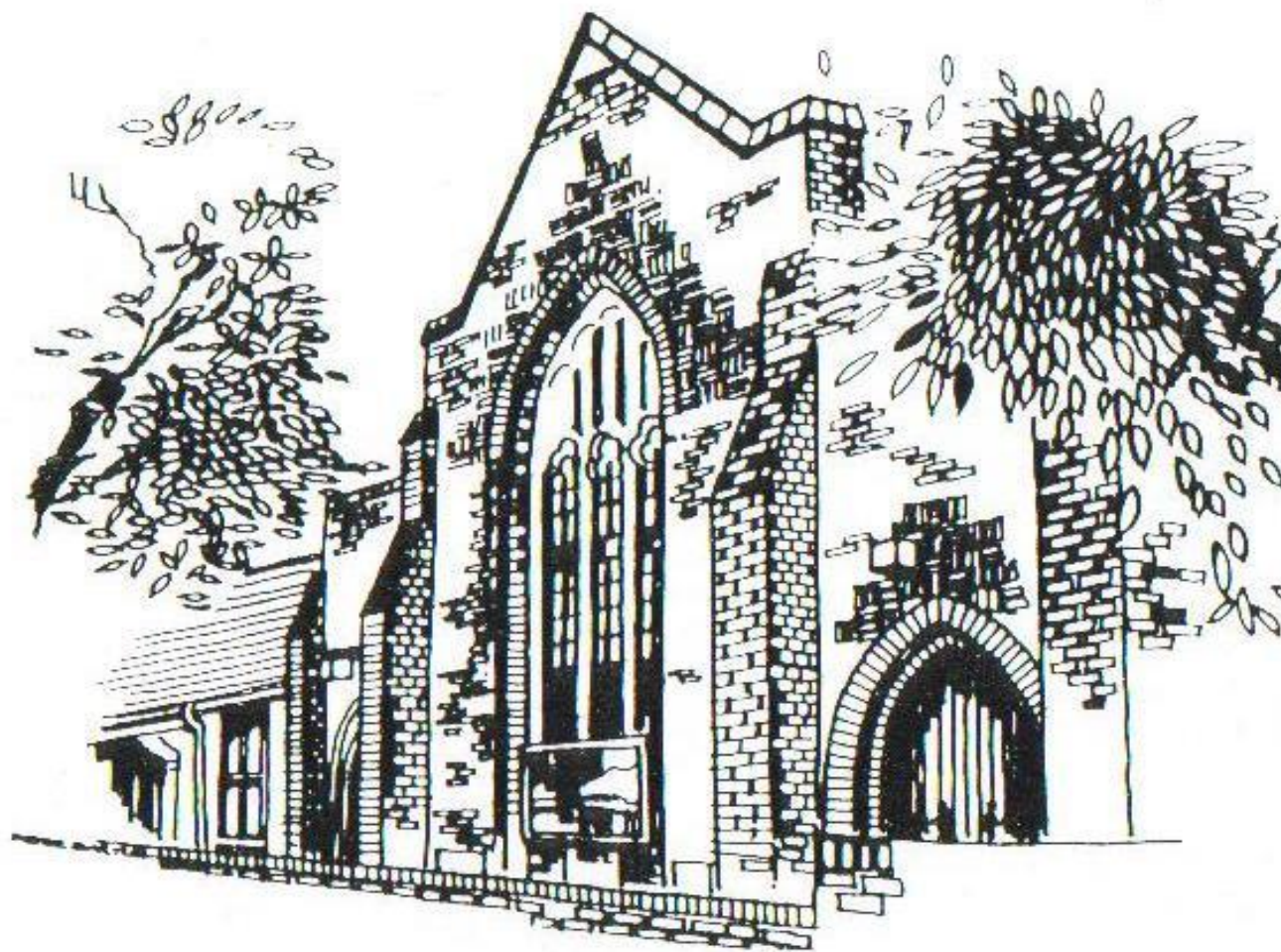




The Magazine
of
**Highams Park Baptist
Church**

Cavendish Road, E.4.



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CHURCH PROGRAMME

At the time of writing

Current Covid Safety Arrangements

- Please stay at home if you show any Covid symptoms - a recording of the service will be available later on the church website
- It is your choice whether you wear a mask in the building or not, please feel comfortable whatever your choice, hand sanitiser will remain available, and we are continuing with increased ventilation and cleaning
- If you test positive for Covid after attending a service, please let us know so we can complete extra cleaning and circulate an anonymous information to the congregation to be more vigilant for symptoms.

If there are any concerns, please approach the duty deacon.

Details of Services are given in the Church Diary at the back of the magazine.

Weekly Home Zoom Group is held on Tuesdays at 7.45pm. Please contact Sarah and Paul Raymond for details.



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'How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard'.

I would be very surprised if you knew where that phrase comes from, but it rings true. Death is an inevitable consequence of life but that never makes it easy to bear.

I would never want to compare myself to the new King Charles but can begin to understand his feelings of loss at the death of his mother, having suffered the loss of my own dear Jacquie recently. At such times the support of friends and family cannot be underestimated, there are all the arrangements to be made and people to be contacted. In my case this was relatively easy – the arrangements for the Queen's funeral do not bear thinking about, although he would have had a great deal of help! But keeping busy can make the grief a little easier to bear for a short while.

Death even when expected is rarely welcomed – you may hear people saying that it was 'a happy release' but this usually means that the 'release' has been a long time in coming and that it has been borne by not only the person who has died but those around them.

In hymns and readings given at a funeral comes the phrase 'Death, where is they sting?' If the person who has died has faith, then they are looking forward to eternal life as promised by Jesus and so there is no sting – but for those left behind there are many emotions. They can be happy that their loved one is in a better place but equally they are left with sorrow and grief that they have lost someone dear to them. There is little doubt that the disciples and friends of Jesus were horrified at the manner of his death and suffered much anguish and grief. But he rose again and appeared to the disciples – However, this is not something that is likely to happen to us today but gives credence to the thought of eternal life after death. This was referred to by The Archbishop of Canterbury in his address at the Queens funeral. In fact he linked it with Dame Vera Lynn's song 'We'll meet again', not something you would necessarily expect at a funeral, but it fitted in well with the ethos of the ceremony.

Jacquie was well known for saying that she did not want a lot of fuss and therefore we tried to keep the Service of Thanksgiving simple but meaningful for both the family and those friends attending. The feedback we have received would seem to indicate that we succeeded. On the other hand the funeral of the Queen was necessarily a State occasion with all the pomp that this entails. Perhaps the strangest part of the Queen's journey was the sight of a great many people, all dressed in their uniforms or finery marching down a quiet country lane accompanying the hearse before it turned into the Long Walk at Windsor – this was so British..

But, at the end of the day, the outcome was the same – the person whose life was being celebrated was quietly and reverently passed into the love and care of the Lord they worshipped. In their own ways both Jacquie and the Queen will be remembered for the love and happiness that they brought to family, friends and all that knew them, and this is how it should be. They have left us behind to grieve but secure in the knowledge that we will indeed meet again.

And that phrase – well it comes from: -



“How lucky am I to
have something
that makes saying
goodbye so hard.”

Winnie the Pooh

And the 'something' is surely LOVE

DL

Cavendish Circular



We are now officially into Autumn – The romantic poet John Keats in his poem 'To Autumn' described this time of year as the 'season of mists and mellow fruitfulness'. It is also the time of those lovely views of trees changing colour to those reds and oranges we love so much.

What strange times we live in... You may recall in the last issue we included an article on the Queen's Jubilee and mentioned that our own Doris outranked her in age. And now we have had to come to terms with the Queen's death, the accession of King Charles the Third and also celebrated the one hundred and first birthday of Doris. I also make no apology for noting that the magazine now has an editor rather than two co-editors with the death of Jacquie. She was a marvel at noting any small slips in grammar or spelling when we were producing our bi-monthly efforts. But I shall do my best...

We continue to remember those who cannot attend church regularly at present, including, Mavis Grint, Mike and Marilyn Robinson, Hazel and Mike Ansell and Dorothy and Cliff Tayler. We also remember Margaret Norris and Doris Thorndyke who attend as often as they can despite frail health and thank those who make it possible for them to join in worship on Sundays.

We also think about Rob Edwards who, as you may know, is experiencing serious eye problems due to cataracts which mean that his vision is very severely impaired. It seems that he now has an appointment booked for October 26th rather than the original appointment in January that he was expecting. It appears that cataract operation waiting lists have grown a lot as Covid stopped them for quite a long while.

Your prayers are asked for: -

Emma Dorrington, her mum Jenny, her brothers and all the extended family. Jenny's husband Robert (Emma's dad) died suddenly and unexpectedly on August 15th. They are all in shock.

We have learnt the sad news that Martin Howe died suddenly in early September; it is thought from an aortic aneurism. Please remember in your prayers his wife Rosemary, surviving children David, Julia and Mark and all the grandchildren as they come to terms with his loss and prepare for his funeral.

Stan Bonner, former church member and BB Officer passed away on September 29th, please pray for his wife Sharon, (Jean Owen's daughter), his daughter Carol and the rest of their family at this sad time. This is especially poignant as, in the last magazine, we told of the recent marriage of Jean's grandson Benjamin.

You will be aware that the BBGA group had to close in October 2021. There was no opportunity to celebrate its long history with our Church. But this is to be rectified with a Thanksgiving Service followed by a Lunch. More details can be found later. DL

Harvest Festival

After such difficult times of Covid lockdowns, when everything known to us within our church had to change, finally on Sunday 25th September 2022 our first Harvest Festival followed by a Bring and Share Lunch took place.

The church had beautiful flower displays, reflecting Autumn colours everywhere, and produce adorned the altar steps. The service was taken by Jason and familiar harvest songs which included 'We plough the fields and scatter' and 'All things bright and beautiful' were sung. We also watched a video about the 'Parable of the Sower'.

The service served as a reminder to us of how hard the farmers all over the world work to nurture and produce the crops which feed cattle and put food on our tables. The weather has, particularly this year, shown us how the fine line between our food supply



chain and the hot temperatures is and has caused our farmers to harvest their crops earlier, with less produced. Water too has been in short supply. Many countries regularly suffer drought bringing starvation to their people.

The Bring and Share Lunch was very successful and those who attended enjoyed had the opportunity to chat over lunch and just

be together after such a long time. We were grateful for the hard work which Mandy did, both in the church floral decorations and in organising the lunch. The harvest gifts were taken to The Hub, a food bank which is sited in All Saints Church. It was gratefully received.

There was also a collection which will go to Christian Aid which was so close to our dear sadly missed friend Jacquie Lyus.

Dave Kendrick

There are more pictures later in the magazine.

Jacquie Lyus

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As many of you will know Jacquie died very suddenly on Saturday 13th August. Although she had been having medical treatment for relatively minor conditions her death was due to natural causes. We, the family, take some comfort that she died peacefully and in no discomfort in the home that she loved. Sadly, this is not always the case. In the last issue of the magazine we told of the passing of Ron Long and started off with the following statement:

When we moved to HPB in the 1970's it was like joining a family. We got to know a group of people who did so much to make HPB a well-regarded Church in the Baptist Union. They were heavily involved as Deacons, Elders and in the boy's and girl's groups. They were also very welcoming. Sadly over the years many have passed on, some far too early. We have tried to remember them with tributes in the magazine and we do this now for Ron Long.

Little did we think that Jacquie was to be one of those who passed on far too early...

The funeral was arranged for Friday 9th September with a short Committal Service at the City of London Crematorium followed by a Thanksgiving Service at HPB. Both were led by our Moderator Andrew Willis. We would like to pay tribute to his advice, thoughts and prayers in the lead up to the Service. This he carried out with compassion and in a manner which set just the right tone which was commented on by many at the Service.

The Service was a simple one with favourite hymns, a reading and memories from the family. All mentioned Jacquie's abiding passions – family, friends and the Church. We include some of the memories of each of those topics: -

Family

Dave writes: The family has meant so much to her. They allowed her to be a large part of their lives but more as a friend than a parent. It has been a wonderful two-way relationship and brought her so much. Some people here might know that Jacquie could have worried for Britain and then apologise for that fact - and we are sure to miss her cry of 'don't go out without your coat' said to any child or grandchild going out.

Kate writes: Mum loved music and singing – singing herself, hearing others sing, musical theatre, choirs, folk and popular music from all eras. We spent so many hours together watching and singing along together to YouTube videos of musical performances, the Beatles, the wonderful folk music of the 60's and 70's – mum even enjoyed listening to bands from my era, and probably the best present I ever gave her was a mix tape I made in the early 90's of songs we both would like; which she would play to get her to sleep. And of course, our joint love of Steeleye Span, and going to see them in concert so many times together with dad and Chris.

That is one of the aspects of our relationship that I will miss most – endless discussions on songs, musicals, Eurovision, films (especially bad horror films and great sci fi!), the merits and flaws of various costume dramas, books, Wimbledon performances, current affairs and tv shows. We shared our thoughts and theories on shows like Line of Duty, Pride and Prejudice, Blake's 7, and of course the wonderful Box of Delights, which became an essential part of our family's Christmas, and from which I shall always think of her when watching her favourite scene of Herne the Hunter and Kay in the forest.

Mum adored being a grandparent – you could not want for a more loving, supportive and fun grandmother. It was so obvious it brought her joy, and we will forever be grateful for the time, effort and warm cuddles she gave Tom, Jamie, Thea and Raif. She and dad have always looked after them, played with them - baked cakes, read stories, encouraged and taught them; and watched with happiness and concern as they navigated climbing frames and new adventures. I will always remember the glee with which Thea and Raif would burst forth from the classroom shouting "NANNA, GRANDAD!!!!" whenever they went to pick them up from school, or the unabashed pride on mum's face as she went to see a nativity performance or watched a video of their singing or sword fighting or saw a piece of their artwork. The artist in mum never left her, and she instilled in us all – the grandchildren as well – the joy of drawing and creating; most recently in her teaching Thea how to knit and sew. We are so grateful that our own children have had the privilege of such love and support in their lives.

Jon writes: I'm grateful for the countless text conversations as Andy Murray kept a nation on tenterhooks at Wimbledon. And I'll never forget the moment we sat on the sofa together on Christmas Eve and watched the final episode of The Box of Delights as snow began to fall outside.

These moments include the many birthdays, Christmases, the holidays, the long car rides to school, the small moments, the days that fall through the hourglass without complaint - all these moments we shared have begun to rush back, moments when, without me realising it, she was preparing me for life.

Matt writes: My theme today is to be that of abundance, an appropriate topic for our setting. Firstly, there was an abundance of food; nobody who ever sat at table with us left hungry. Most, if they were still able to move under their own power, would stagger off into contented oblivion. Others, beached, recumbent, or precariously listing, would then be presented with further courses, morsel piled upon morsel, "Better too much than too little", was the family dining motto as the third slab of some monstrous and possibly soon-to-be extinct animal was merrily slapped onto the plate.

There was also an abundance of concern. This is natural territory for Mothers, but Mum raised this to an Olympian level of participation. No sooner had an offspring's foot crossed the threshold than their entire being would be subject to an examination of their physical and emotional state that would have exposed Freud as a fumbling amateur. A stray and disobedient hair might speak to her of a profound personal crisis; a lip whose structural integrity was several measures short of being advertised as 'stiff', could herald a prolonged inquiry into everything ranging from daily dietary habits to whether a larger duvet was required. This doesn't mean to say that her judgement was flawless; only Mum could have gazed upon my 18-stone frame and wondered whether I was eating enough. But I suppose that is the definition of love. If this all sounds a bit flippant, I can only apologise. Partly this is because Mum possessed a wonderful capacity for being teased. Just the right mixture of naivety, itself a powerful symbol of a generous nature, and a liberal dash of the ability to be a good sport. Then there was her laugh. Rather like fingerprints and the outer part of the ear, it is such a distinctive part of a person. So, how to describe Mum's laugh to the uninitiated? It wasn't a booming guffaw which unloosened the floor, or a long, rolling chuckle, that puts one in mind of a playful tickle, but a sudden, almost high-pitched gasp of humorous delight as if it was the first time she had ever laughed and was surprised and delighted by the sensation of it. A sound quite unlike anything else in nature. Unreplicable and sadly irreplaceable. Much like Mum herself.



Friends

As you can imagine, we have received many cards of sympathy and condolence and almost without fail they mention friendship. Jacquie had a deep, undemanding love for her friends and this was returned. She had known some of them for up to seventy years.

Jon: You all knew our Mum in your own way. She was a unique part of your lives, just as she was a big part of ours. If you were to close your eyes right now and remember her, I'm almost certain she'd be smiling or laughing, in the memory you recalled. That's as it should be. As she'd want it.

Kate: Mum's friendships were of the utmost importance to her – and we were so lucky we were brought up around her lifelong friends, which in turn, instilled in us the importance of friendship in our own relationships. I am so grateful that my parents have always taken an interest in our friends, and our hobbies. Even though, frankly, most of my hobbies left mum constantly worrying for my safety, she always took great interest in, and was supportive of them; always engaging with my friends, and baking cakes for our events – one of my friends wrote on my announcement of her passing that mum's blueberry muffins, which fuelled our exploits in battle, were the stuff of legends! We shared cinema visits, and she loved coming along with my friends and I to see new films, and to Leicester Square with Chris and I to see the Rocky Horror Picture Show Live for her 68th birthday. She showed me the joys of seeing live musical theatre – first with *'Joseph'*, then various productions of our favourite *'Jesus Christ Superstar'*, *'Phantom of the Opera'* on my 18th birthday, *'West Side Story'* and many more.

Church

Dave: The Church has always played a large part in Jacquie's life whether it was teaching in Sunday School or being a Deacon she tried to give something back.

And then there is the magazine – we have been editors for about eighteen years and future issues will not have such excellent proof-reading - Jacquie was so good at this as well as remembering everything that needed to go into the Cavendish Circular. In fact about the only time that we argued, was whether or not something should go into the magazine or if it needed changing – she was a bit of a perfectionist in that respect. This came from her love of words – she loved crosswords and codewords. She had a liking for the Evening Standard puzzles and so, every weekday evening, I would print them out and at odd moments she would sit quietly and tackle them.

She also enjoyed the Times newspapers puzzles and one of the few good things to come out of the pandemic was the fact that they printed a whole extra page of puzzles four days a week and then of course there was Wordle! She insisted that it all helped stave off dementia and that certainly seemed to work.

This love of words was carried through to the Open University where she got to relish writing on history and the Arts as part of her degree studies

I somehow feel that I have slightly failed to encapsulate what Jacquie has meant to me and the family. But how do you put fifty plus years of the two-way love that we shared into words?

I am, however, secure in the knowledge that she will not be forgotten for the best of reasons by many people and that is a huge comfort and a memorial to a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

Dave Lyus



Many Thanks

As a family we owe a huge debt of gratitude to all those many people that have sent cards, kept us in their prayers and generally supported us at what has been a very sad time. Although it is usually invidious to name names of people who have helped, we feel that we have to mention certain of them. Firstly Jason Close who seemed to have started to arrange the use of the church almost before we had even had thoughts in that direction, he also arranged for the organist who made such a difference to the service. He also made contact with Andrew Willis the moderator and this led to him contacting us and then playing such a pivotal role in both the Committal and the Thanksgiving Service. Our arrangements for the Thanksgiving Service could not have gone very far without Rob and Mandy Edwards – Rob printed the Order of Service and set up the music we wanted played before and after the Service. Without Mandy there would have been no refreshments and her advice and help was invaluable. This is not to mention all the other people who helped serve teas, move chairs and the hundred and one other things that made the Service a fitting tribute to Jacquie.

They all have our never-ending thanks

Dave Lyus and family

Nice day for a ride out

On a day recently, when the weather was too good to stay indoors, Dave Lyus, Dianne and myself decided to pay a visit to Crews Hill nurseries. Having arrived, looked around a little and after getting suitably refreshed with coffee etc we decided to go to somewhere Dave had never visited before - Myddelton House Gardens.

Myddelton House Gardens is close to Forty Hall, Enfield and was the life-long home of Edward Augustus Bowles. He was one of Britain's most famous self-taught gardeners, artists and expert botanists. Following being successful in gaining a Heritage Lottery Fund in 2011, much work was done to restore the house and grounds to its former glory.

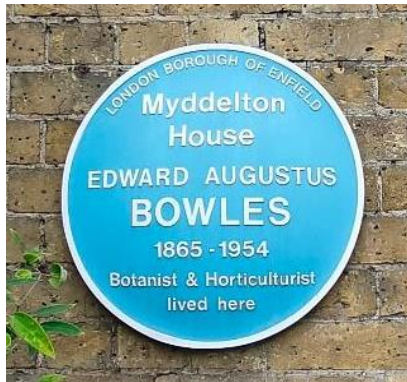
Boasting an impressive range of flora and fauna there's something to stimulate the senses each season, from an extensive snowdrop collection, colourful spring crocuses, dazzling summer irises and the 109-year-old wisteria which turns a brilliant blue when it flowers during May. The grounds also contain bountiful heritage kitchen gardens, a pond terrace and rock gardens - the last resting place of E.A. Bowles.

Among the gardens are a number of artefacts of local and national interest such as a part of Old London Bridge and the Enfield Market Cross.

The grounds also have a café with covered outdoor seating. Although the menu is limited, light snacks and hot/cold drinks are available.

Myddelton House Gardens are open all year round 10.00 - 16.00 except Christmas Day and Boxing Day. Entrance is free although there is a small charge if you use the car park.





With the help of the internet, more information as to the gardens can be found...

The gardens at Myddelton House, are not your usual garden associated with a grand house, it has been subject to considerable renovation in the early 21st century. Many of the features that Bowles created remain, including the rock garden (though this is now largely wild), the wisteria that he planted

across a bridge that once crossed the New River, and his so-called "lunatic asylum" of horticultural oddities, such as the corkscrew hazel that he developed after abandoning plans to construct a Japanese garden. The old Enfield market cross was salvaged to become the centrepiece of the rose garden, while two lead ostriches, dating from 1724, that once stood beside the wisteria bridge, have been restored after years of vandalism and are



now housed in the museum. On one of the walls overlooking the kitchen garden, Bowles' initials that he carved in 1887 can still be seen. Two clumps have been maintained of the highly invasive Japanese knot weed, whose architectural qualities Bowles admired. Bowles also grew a gigantic gunnera, which flourished at Myddelton despite its hard water and dry, gravelly soil, and dwarfed a schoolgirl named Miss Malby whom Bowles photographed beside it in 1927.¹ More generally, he had an eye for unusual and uncommon plants, one of his favourites being

yellowroot, which is rarely grown in British gardens, but whose "quaint beauty" he appreciated. Among Bowles' methods of pest control was to go out at night with a torch and a hatpin to eradicate slugs! Bowles continued to chair committees of the RHS until a few weeks before his death in 1954. His ashes were scattered on the rock garden at Myddelton House. Bowles had no family of his own and the house and gardens passed to the University of London. They are now owned and managed by the Lee Valley Regional Park Authority. They are well worth a visit...



Dave Kendrick

17th Waltham Forest Boys Brigade & Girls Association.

Thanksgiving Service and Lunch.

Sunday 23rd October

10am at HPBC

As most of you will know, it was decided in October 2021 to close the 17th Waltham Forest Company BBGA (formally 17th South Essex). This was due to Covid and a number of other reasons. We, as part of a service, only did the formal part of laying up the Company Colour.

We thought that now that things are returning to normal it would be good, to hold a Thanksgiving service and Celebration of the life of 17th Waltham Forest BBGA Company, along with a lunch.

Also, the 17th Pals Battalion Band will hopefully play before and after the service. Some of them are former Officers and boys.

This would have also been our 80th milestone.

Date	Sunday 23rd October 2022	
Place	Highams Park Baptist Church.	
Plan	9.30am	Band will march and play to Church.
	10am	Thanksgiving and Celebration of Life - Service.
	11.15am (Approx.)	Band will Play.
	11.15am to 12 noon	Drinks and refreshments.
	11.30am to 2pm	Lunch.
	Showing of recording, photos and other items.	
	Time to chat and share our times in BBGA.	

So, we can plan for numbers in regard to catering and seating for the day, could I ask that you email or text me if you are planning to attend and how many, so we can make sure there enough food. Please could you let me know by 20th October.

This wonderful event is open to all, so please do pass this information on to anyone that was connected or a member of the 17th Waltham Forest BBGA or a supporter of us and Highams Park Baptist Church. Let's try and make it a fitting end to a great company and movement, that gave so many of us happy memories and times together.

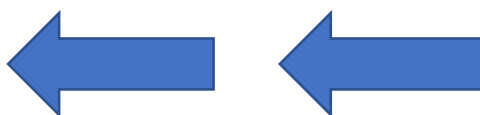


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The Clocks go BACK

At 2.00 am on Sunday 30th October the clocks go back one hour and British Summer Time ends for another 6 months but why?

This is not a new idea - The idea of summertime or daylight-saving time was mentioned in 1784 by Benjamin Franklin, the American inventor, scientist, and statesman. He made the lighthearted suggestion that moving the time of daylight ahead by one hour would allow the longer working day and save the use of candles. Later came a Briton named George Vernon Hudson, who moved to New Zealand and had an interest in biology - his job gave him leisure time to collect insects and led him to value after-hours daylight. In 1895, he presented a paper to the Wellington Philosophical Society proposing a two-hour daylight-saving shift, and after considerable interest was expressed by the government, he followed up in an 1898 paper.

However, it wasn't until 1907 that a serious proposal for daylight saving time was made in Britain by William Willett. His idea was much more complicated than what we use now - he laid this out in a pamphlet "The Waste of Daylight". In it he proposed that the clocks should be advanced by 80 minutes in four incremental steps during April and reversed the same way during September. The evenings would then remain light for longer, increasing daylight recreation time and also saving £2.5 million in lighting costs. He suggested that the clocks should be advanced by 20 minutes at a time at 2 am on successive Sundays in April and be reversed in September. The outbreak of the First World War made the issue more important, primarily because of the need to save coal. Germany had already introduced the scheme when the bill was finally passed in Britain on 17 May 1916 and the clocks were advanced by an hour on the following Sunday, 21 May, enacted as a wartime production-boosting device under the Defence of the Realm Act. It was subsequently adopted in many other countries. There have been moves to cancel the bi-yearly changes but so far they have come to nothing - and that is why we still do it.....

DL



Highams Park Food Aid, or 'The Hub', was originally set up to provide food to people in Highams Park and Chingford community who needed support during the COVID-19 pandemic.



The Hub has grown from a small concern, preparing 10 food parcels a week, to a fully-fledged food bank. Since April 2020 the Hub has supported over 300 families struggling with food poverty and has provided over 30,000 food parcels. The Hub now provides food and essential household items for individuals and families in the E4 area. Anyone who finds that they need to use the Hub is given, following a referral, a time and day they can visit and that then becomes their 'slot' they can use each week. A list, for either individuals or families, is given to them from which they can choose items, from the well-

stocked shelves, they need. Food very near to its 'use by' or 'best before' date is also always freely available as is an assortment of bakery items.

The Hub provides a non-judgemental service for the community, run by the community. The Hub is open every Tuesday and Thursday, between 11am-1pm, at All Saints Church in Highams Park. They also host a community café on Wednesdays 11am-2pm.

When Tony and I recently visited The Hub, to take produce donated by those at the Harvest service at HPBC, we were amazed by the extremely friendly, caring atmosphere of everyone volunteering there.

Tables were set out for people to sit, have a cup of tea or coffee, or just enjoy fellowship with each other. Someone was also on hand to provide help with anyone worried with personal debt problems. There was also someone from Social Services to support/advise, wherever they could, with any other issues affecting the clients.

Plans are being made to try to get the Hub to add an extra later opening time so that anyone who works, for example, and might not be able to use the present opening times, can be helped.

More volunteers are always needed so perhaps you could lend a few hours a week to support this very worthwhile venture.

You have read what The Hub can do but it needs to have supplies to pass on to those who need them. Anything that you can donate will be gratefully received

Dave Kendrick



The Hub's Shopping List

We are currently in need of the following items:

- Nappies Size 4 & 7
- Oil & Washing up Liquid
- Coffee & Hot Choc
- Jam & Plain Flour
- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Porridge Oats & Honey
- Soap Powder & Bleach



Mandy Edwards has kindly sent us more pictures of our Harvest Festival Service: -



The Highams Park Society presents: -
Saturday Afternoon Cinema
Four From 1946
 A Season of Four Classic Movies from 1946

1946 was a great year for the cinema. The Second World War was over and there was a real sense of relief and a degree of optimism in the air. Last month's film 'Captive Heart' was a classic wartime love story but was released in 1946 as were these three box office hits.

The next film will be on Saturday 15th October at Highams Park Baptist Church. Doors open at 1.30pm and the film is at 2.00pm. Entry is £3 for members and £5 for non-members. The entrance fee includes tea, coffee and hand-made cakes.



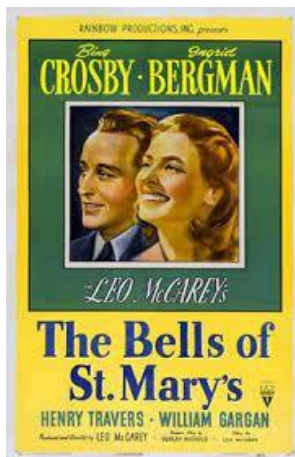
Road to Utopia (1946) – Saturday 15th October

Road to Utopia is the fourth of the famous 'Road to....' Movies. The film is about two vaudeville performers at the turn of the twentieth century who go to Alaska to make their fortune. Along the way they find a map to a secret gold mine. In 1947 this was nominated for an Oscar for the Best Original Screen play.

Piccadilly Incident (1946) Saturday November 19th



Piccadilly Incident is a 1946 British drama film directed by Herbert Wilcox and it stars Anna Neagle, Michael Wilding, Coral Browne, Edward Rigby and Leslie Dwyer, Wilcox teamed his wife Anna Neagle with Michael Wilding for the first time, establishing them as top box-office stars.



**The Bells of St. Mary's (1946)
 Saturday 17th December**

The Bells of St. Mary's is the Christmas Presentation and will include Christmas Lunch – bookings open from 19th November

Oh, The Weather!

I am sure that you all have memories of the extremely hot weather that happened a few weeks ago. The grass turned brown and felt crunchy underfoot – it is amazing how quickly it recovered!

But one positive factor was that in the park it became possible to see the outline of some of the prefabs that had been built there after the war.



Fortunately the heatwave did not last too long – but then came the rain and only a short way from where the picture above was taken the River Ching flooded...





Are you good with numbers?

Mandy has sent us a quiz based on numbers found in the Bible – Just a few to try this time...

1: (Sons of Jacob) multiplied by (number of Jesus' disciples) (Genesis 35:12) x (Matthew 10:2) = _____

2: (Books of the Bible) minus (days of rain on Noah in his ark) (Genesis ... Revelation) - (Genesis 7:12) = _____

3: (Number of fish caught by Simon Peter in miraculous catch) plus (days of creation) (John 21:11) + (Gen1:31 ... Gen 2:1) = _____

4: (Times that the priests walked round Jericho) multiplied by (plagues upon Egypt) (Joshua 6:11-15) x (Exodus 7-12) = _____

5: (Days that Jesus fasted in the wilderness) divided by (number of gospel writers) (Matthew 4:2) / (Matthew ... John) = _____

6: ((Number of Psalms) plus (tribes of Israel)) all divided by (number of gifts brought to Jesus by the wisemen) (Psalms + Genesis 49:28) / (Matt 2:11)
= _____

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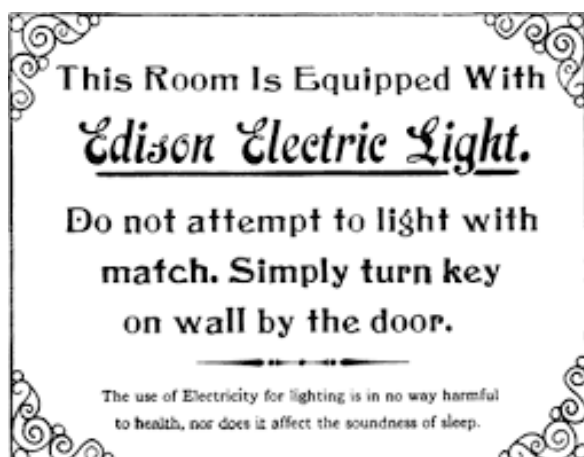
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Answers at the back of the magazine – how did you do?

Highams Park Snippets

In recent issues we have highlighted some of the businesses that advertised in the Church magazines in the 1930's. This time we have two more, and these were not just local companies.

It would be difficult in these times of rising prices to ignore gas and electricity – we would find it hard to do without either. Nowadays each of these utilities is provided by a number of different suppliers but it was not too long ago when we in Highams Park would deal with the London Electricity Board and British Gas – in fact both these still had a showroom in The Avenue in the 1960's.



If you wanted electricity supplied in the 1930's then you looked locally. Electricity had been around for some time – in fact the first house to be lit by it was in 1878 and this was followed by Mosely Street in Newcastle, the first electrically lit street in 1879. However domestic supply did not really become significant until after the First World War. The Electricity (Supply) Act passed in 1926, led to the establishment of the national grid. But

who was it that used our church magazine to get the news of electricity supply to the man in the street? Well, it would appear to have been Walthamstow Council! As you will see from the advertisement you could rent nine lighting points and one socket for a 'wireless' for under 4 old pence (about 1.5 new pence) a week. This must have been before the time of domestic appliances – although you may have seen pictures of an electric iron plugged into a light fitting..

ELECTRICITY—

In all walks of life Electricity plays an important part and YOU can make more use of it by installing it in your house for all domestic purposes.

For an average sized house requiring nine lighting points and a plug for "Wireless" an installation can be rented at 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. per week (4/1d. per quarter).

Call or write for full particulars :

WALTHAMSTOW COUNCIL'S SHOWROOM,
212, HIGH STREET. (TELEPHONE: W'STOW 0643).

G. R. SPURR,
BOROUGH ELECTRICAL
ENGINEER.

HOURS :
9 A.M.—6.30 P.M.
CLOSE 1 P.M. THURSDAYS.



HOT WITHIN—COOL WITHOUT.

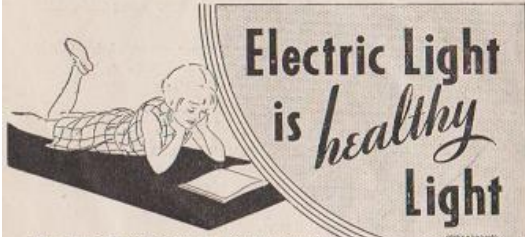
That's the thermal storage type of Electric Water Heater.



In the Kitchen the 1½ gallon size is the embodiment of usefulness for washing-up and tea making at a cost of about one penny a day for current. Including wiring, this Fairy of the Kitchen costs only 3/- per quarter to hire—less than ha'penny a day.

INSPECTION INVITED.
Borough of Walthamstow
Electricity Showrooms,
24, The Avenue, E.4.

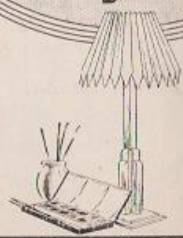
Electric Light is healthy Light



Electric Light is bright and safe and cheery. It spreads into every corner, making the home a happy and healthy place to live in. It is cleaner and is free from the troublesomeness of other forms of lighting.

Come to our Showrooms and inspect the many attractive lighting fittings displayed and obtain full information upon the many advantages of Electric Light.

24, THE AVENUE, E.4.
Electric House, Church Hill, E.17.



And then, of course there was Gas...

— GAS —

A service which never lets you down.

COOKING. — LIGHTING. — HEATING.
HOT WATER. REFRIGERATION.

Lea Bridge District Gas Company.

Chief Office : GAS WORKS, LEA BRIDGE ROAD, E.10.

Showrooms :
261, High Street, Walthamstow. 16, The Avenue, Highams Park.

This was obviously a very local supplier. Those of us of a certain age may remember the big gasometer in Lea Bridge Road, quite near the station. In fact, since I am a certain age plus, I can remember going there with my grandmother in a very cold winter to get a bag of coke and taking it back to her house (close by) on the back of an ancient pushchair.

What is worthy of mention is the noting that gas can be used for lighting – and in some houses it was still used rather than electricity. A good light but very fragile mantles!



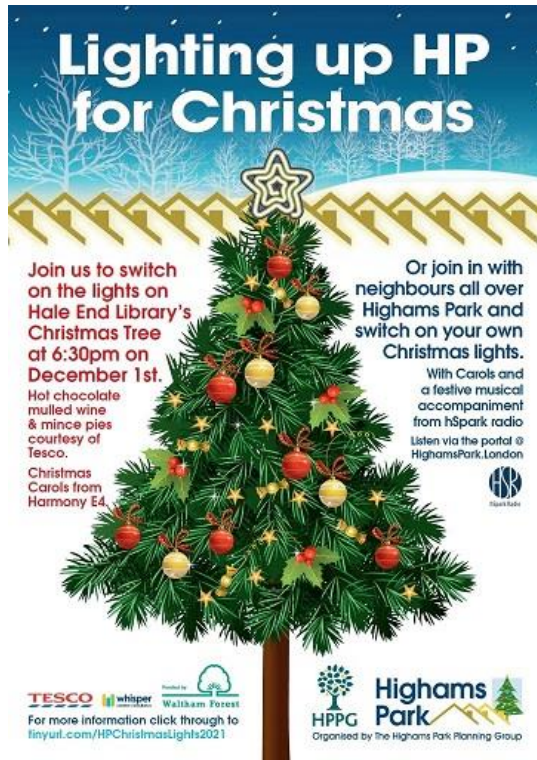
Hot water could come from a wall mounted geyser, or a floor standing tub called a 'copper'. Heating was not for central heating but the ever-present gas fire. Cooking was the gas stove. And then there was mention of refrigeration which sounds very strange to us these days. But I can vouch for its existence as my parents had one for many years. It looked just the same as a normal fridge until you looked

underneath and saw a gas flame!

Just a quick walk down to The Avenue and you would probably find the latest gas or electric appliance. Those were the days...

Christmas is coming...

In fact, according to many shops, it has been coming for some time - it seems to start in September, but we felt that you might like to know about two events that are actually happening in Highams Park in December.



Lighting up HP for Christmas

Join us to switch on the lights on Hale End Library's Christmas Tree at 6:30pm on December 1st.
Hot chocolate mulled wine & mince pies courtesy of Tesco.
Christmas Carols from Harmony E4.

Or join in with neighbours all over Highams Park and switch on your own Christmas lights.
With Carols and a festive musical accompaniment from hSpark radio
Listen via the portal @ HighamsPark.London

TESCO **whisper** **Walsham Forest**
For more information click through to tinyurl.com/HPChristmasLights2021

HPPG Highams Park
Organised by The Highams Park Planning Group



Christmas Fayre
Highams Park Station Car Park
& Signal Walk

Sunday 11th December
organised by
Highams Park
Planning Group

Both look worth attending, so start Christmas in a local way...



Are you good with numbers?

And the answer is....

- 1: (Sons of Jacob) multiplied by (number of Jesus' disciples) (Genesis 35:12) x (Matthew 10:2) = (12) x (12) = 144
- 2: (Books of the Bible) minus (days of rain on Noah in his ark) (Genesis ... Revelation) - (Genesis 7:12) = (66) - (40) = 26
- 3: (Number of fish caught by Simon Peter in miraculous catch) plus (days of creation) (John 21:11) + (Gen1:31 ... Gen 2:1) = (153) + (6) = 159
- 4: (Times that the priests walked round Jericho) multiplied by (plagues upon Egypt) (Joshua 6:11-15) x (Exodus 7-12) = (13) x (10) = 130
- 5: (Days that Jesus fasted in the wilderness) divided by (number of gospel writers) (Matthew 4:2) / (Matthew ... John) = (40) / (4) = 10
- 6: ((Number of Psalms) plus (tribes of Israel)) all divided by (number of gifts brought to Jesus by the wisemen) (Psalms + Genesis 49:28) / (Matt 2:11) = (150 + 12) / (3) = 54
- 7: (Number of people saved from the flood) multiplied by (number of others crucified with Christ) (1 Peter 3:20) x (John 19:18) = (8) x (2) = 16
- 8: (Age of David when he became King of Israel) plus (number of years that David reigned) (2 Samuel 5:4) + (2 Samuel 5:4) = (30) + (40) = 70
- 9: ((Number of times Naaman dipped himself in the River Jordan) minus (number of true Gods)) all multiplied by (pieces of silver that Jesus was betrayed for) (2 Kings 5:14 - 1 Timothy 2:5) x (Matthew 26:15) = (7 - 1) x (30) = 180
- 10: (Talents given out by the master in the parable) plus (virgins who had enough oil for their lamps) minus (number of gates of New Jerusalem) (Matthew 25:15) + (Matthew 25:2) - (Rev 21:21) = (8) + (5) - (12) = 1

CHURCH DIARY

October

Sunday 2nd	10 am	Morning Service Led by Amanda Edwards
Thursday 6th	7.30 pm	Church Council Meeting
Sunday 9th	10 am	Morning Service with Communion Led by Dr. Paul Davis
Sunday 16th	10 am	Morning Service with Sunday School Led by Ian Morris
Sunday 23rd	10 am	All Age BBGA Thanksgiving Service Led by Jason Close
Sunday 30th	2 am	CLOCKS GO BACK
Sunday 30th	10 am	Morning Service with Communion Led by TBC

November

Thursday 3 rd	7.30 pm	Church Council Meeting
Sunday 6th	10 am	All Age Morning Led by Sandeep Christian
Sunday 13th	10 am	Remembrance Day Morning Service with Communion - with Sunday School Led by Robert Jenkins
Sunday 20th	10 am	Morning Service with Sunday School Led by Amanda Edwards
Sunday 27th	10 am 11.30 am	Morning Service with Communion Led by Andrew Willis Followed by Church Member meeting