

Havering-atte-Bower

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September 2017

Horseman Sunday - 8th October at 1230

Rev'd David Anderton will be taking the service on the green in what is now a well established and enjoyable occasion. Both horses and dogs are welcome. It is open to riders who have horses stabled within the village. Please note that the only access is through the gate at the bus stop end of the green. It is essential that riders have public liability insurance. Hopefully the weather will be kind. There will be tea and cakes in the church hall afterwards.

Habcos AGM - Thursday November 23rd at 7.30pm

This will be held in the Pepperell centre of St Francis Hospice, all welcome. We will be electing committee members for the next year and, as always, some fresh faces will be welcome, very much so. Please let Jenny know if you could be interested. We are delighted that Laura Hill will be coming to give a talk about the Pemberton rose project and how all of us that have roses can work together with the Hospice for the future.

Tortoise and owner reunited

Lorna Tyler advised of a tortoise she had found and asked us to circulate the info by email which Michael did to residents in North Road and around the village green. As a result, the lost tortoise was reunited with Charlie Carter who has had Lucky for 14 years and was very happy to see him again. He was in good health having been well cared for by Diane Sampson in the meantime.



Pemberton roses

We hope many of you were able to view the Gardeners World programme showing the roses in the village. Perhaps Michael made a mistake in vounteering to plant the remaining roses along the farm hedgerows. They are tough and resilient but he had not allowed for the weeds and the lack of spring rainfall. There are some 200 in total, planted along hedge of the large field by Orange Tree Hill below The Bower House, some in North Road just below the school but on the opposite side of the road and some in Broxhill Road up the hill from Brokenbacks. He has had them all watered and weeded on several occasions but needs a bit of help. Some of them flowered this summer and we all really hope that there could be a good show in future years.

Michael has had some kind offers of help to care for and nurture the roses in North Road but wonders if any of you would like to keep an eye on some of the others, to adopt them. Please let him know, he would be very grateful. Also, if anyone has a good photo of their roses please let us have one for the record and possibly for a future newsletter.

Travellers

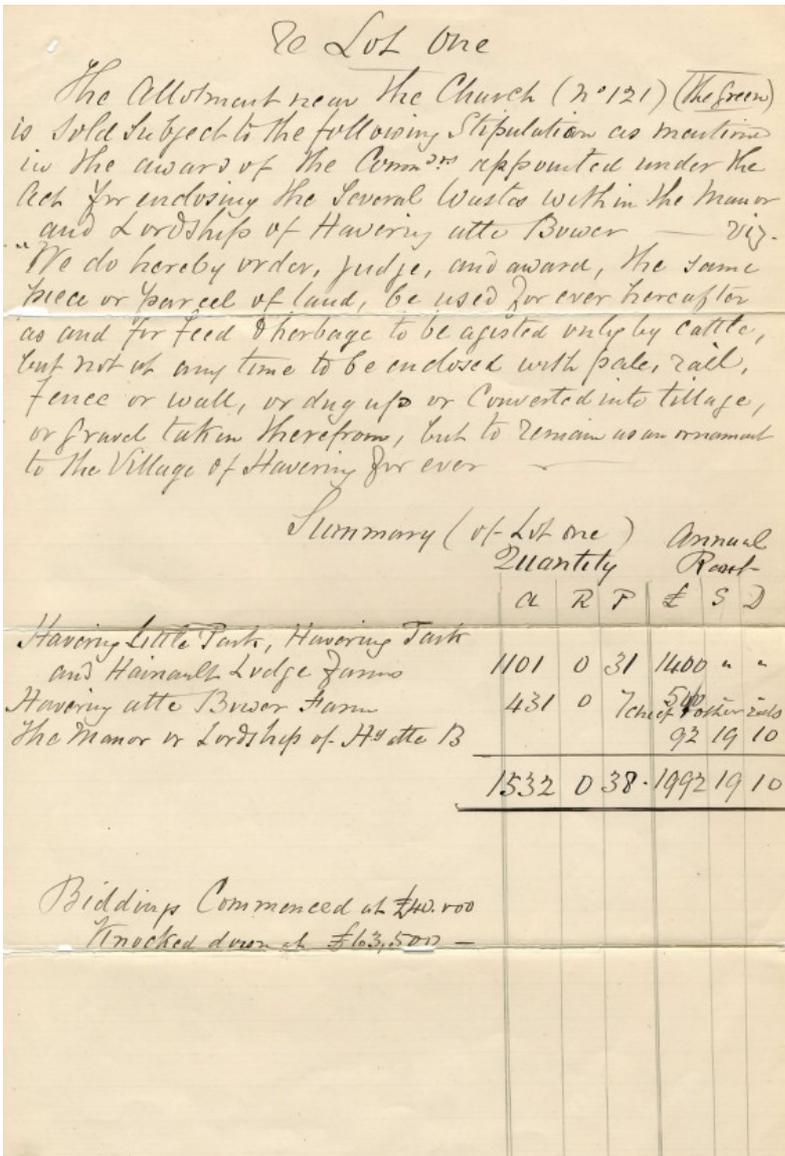
As many of you will know the travellers caused mayhem at Tesco, Gallows Corner on Monday 4th and after being evicted were seen searching for somewhere to stay here in the village. We are aware still of the need for better communications between all the parties though we, as Habcos, are beginning to be informed much better. Looking ahead, we are waiting to hear of further steps that might be taken and will keep you informed. Do please let us have any information you may come across on travellers likely movements at any time and as soon as possible. Even minutes can sometimes be vital.

The Green, Havering-atte-BowerTo Remain as an Ornament for the Village of Havering for Ever ' This Declaration, first recorded around 1813/1814 has endured since George III held the Manor of Havering. At that time the measurements of The Green were noted as 1 acre, 1 rood and 8 perches.

The Crown, during the reign of George IV, sold the Manor, including the Green, by Auction. It was purchased by Hugh McIntosh, the above quotation being carefully specified in the sale catalogue.

Following the death of Mrs McIntosh in the 1920's, the Rev. Harold Smith feared for the future of The Green. The huge McIntosh Estate was being broken up and sold off. Harold Smith was so concerned that he purchased The Green himself. Then in 1935 the Reverend sold The Green to Romford Urban District Council for a nominal sum, making sure that the original wording of the Georgian Commissioners was included in the legal bill of sale. This protected the future of our Village Green.

Maggy is currently carrying out some further research into the history of Havering-atte-Bower. She is not necessarily just focussing on the grander, well known buildings or inhabitants. If anyone has memories, anecdotes and particularly photographs of the village, including aerial views - please get in contact with her by email at maggyfarley@hotmail.com or by phone at 01708 768660.



London Open House

As usual both the Bower House and The Round House will be taking part in Open House. The Bower House is open on Saturday 16th and The Round House on Sunday 17th September

The Bower House is open on the Saturday from 10am to 4pm with tours every 15 minutes from 11am. It is a Grade 1 listed building from 1729, designed by Henry Flitcroft with a huge staircase mural by Sir James Thornhill.

The Round House is open on the Sunday with four tours at 1030, 1200, 1400 and 1530. Tours should take around 60 minutes but for one reason or another, it is often nearer to 90 minutes. Only 15 can be accommodated at a time so pre-booking is necessary. Please email Michael Heap if you would like to come. There is currently some space remaining only on the 1030 tour.

There is some parking for the disabled infirm but, otherwise, if you are coming by car, please park in Bedfords Park.

Open House now includes a great many buildings and activities opening specially over the weekend. Further information can be found at <https://openhouselondon.open-city.org.uk/>

Carols on the Green - Sunday 10th December 6.30pm Please put this in your diary and join everyone on the green to start the Christmas festivities

Christmas at St John's Church

All are welcome to our Christmas services as we celebrate the good news and the mystery of Jesus Christ - Emmanuel, God with us.

Sunday 10th December - 6pm



Carols on the Green

Your favourite carols followed by mince pies, tea, coffee or mulled wine (service lasts about ½ hour).



Sunday 17th December - 6.30pm



Carols by Candlelight

Traditional readings and carols followed by Mince pies and cold drinks in church (service lasts about an hour).



Christmas Eve

9.30am - Contemplative Communion Service

(Service lasts about 50 mins).



6.30pm - Carols in the Stable

A relaxed family celebration of the Christmas story followed by mince pies and cold drinks in church (service lasts about an hour).



11.30pm - Midnight Communion

The traditional welcoming of the new born Christ with carols (service lasts about 50 minutes).



Christmas Day - 10am

Family Celebration Service

An informal celebration of the birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ. Bring your favourite Christmas present! (Service lasts about an hour).
NB. This service is at St James Church, Chase Cross Road, Collier Row

*Christ
Our Savior
is born!*



Remembrance Day Commemoration 2017 St John's Church - Friday 10th November - 10:30am



Last year on the 11th November we held a short service of remembrance in St John's Church which the older children from Dame Tipping School attended and contributed to. The village memorial to those from the parish who lost their lives in the 1914-18 conflict is on the south wall of the church and the memorial to those who died in the 1939-45 war is in the churchyard, close to the gate onto the Green.

We will be holding a service again this year at St Johns. As Remembrance Day falls on a Saturday, it will be on **Friday 10th November** starting at 10.30am aiming to hold the 2 minutes silence at 11am. Kathryn Waters, Head-teacher at Dame Tipping and I invite you to join us for the service as across the generations we remember the men and women who died in the service of their nation.

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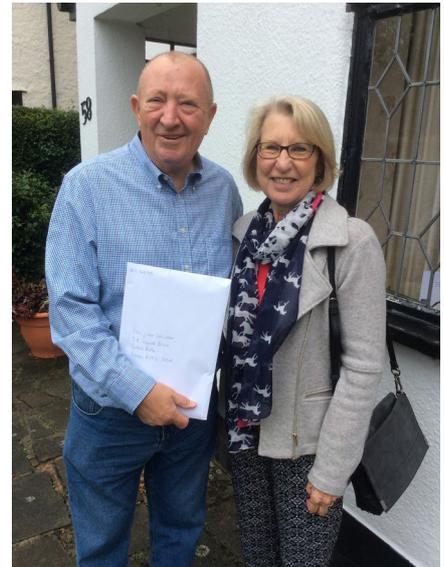
Charity Quiz Night in aid of Great Ormond Street Hospital Renal Transplant Unit, Transplant Games & Recreational Fund. Saturday 7th October 2017 At Bower Hall, Havering-atte-Bower. Table Quiz – Raffles – Prizes – Maximum of eight people per team £5.00 per person entry fee, all proceeds go directly to the charity. Doors open at 7.00pm for a start at 7.30pm. Seating is limited to 100 people on a first come first serve basis. Please bring your own food and drink.

For bookings and more information please contact Chris Steward 07748 593780

The GOSH Transplant Games and Recreational fund is a charity which sponsors Great Ormond Street renal patients allowing them access to sports to aid their rehabilitation after transplant or donation. The fund provides equipment, travel and accommodation for patients and their families from all over the UK. Find out more at www.tgrf.co.uk

Traffic petition

Many thanks to all who supported our traffic petition. We achieved well over 600 signatures from residents and those who use and are affected by traffic in the village. Nearly 90% of households signed the petition. Jenny delivered the petition to Councillor John Crowder who will present it to the full council meeting on Wednesday September 13th. Some of the committee will be attending in support and we will let you know the outcome.



SAINT FRANCIS HOSPICE CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 25th
November 2017

10am - 4pm

Saint Francis Hospice,
Education Centre,
Havering-atte-Bower,
RM4 1QH

Enjoy a glass
of mulled wine while
soaking up the festive
atmosphere. Browse
our collection of **gifts,
crafts, jewellery
and toys.**



Search Saint Francis Hospice
Registered Charity No. 275913

For more information visit
sfh.org.uk or call 01708 771427.

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living with dignity

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