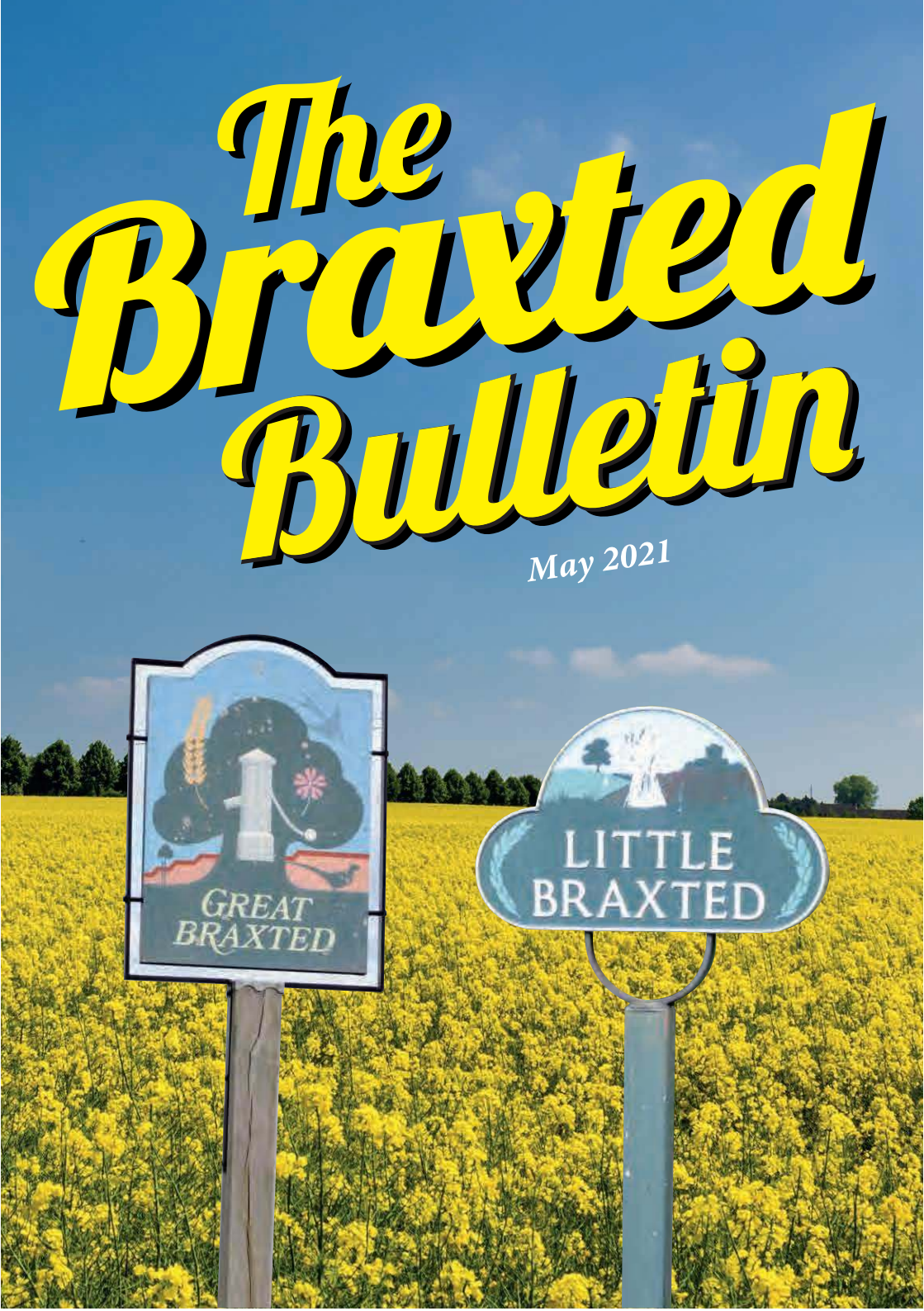
The Braxted Bulletin

May 2021



VILLAGE INFORMATION

Clerks to the Parish Councils:

Great Braxted Sarah Gaeta Tel 07307 891134

Little Braxted Gordon Musset Tel 01376 520103

Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator:

Great and Little Braxted Mandy Chapman Email: thebraxtedsneighbourhoodwatch@yahoo.com

Non-urgent contact for Police: 101, Online https://www.essex.police.uk/.../af/how-to-report-a-crime/

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Water 0345 7820999, **Electricity** 0800 0294285

Responsibility for Essex Highways:

Essex County Council 0845 603 7631

Library Information: Wickham Bishops Library

Wickham Bishops Library will re-open on Monday 12th April

Opening hours will be 2pm - 5:30pm on Mondays and Wednesdays, 9am - 5pm Saturdays

Next Parish council meetingsings

Great Braxtedd Gt Braxted PC next meeting May 6th

Email: **greatbraxtedpc@gmail.com**
Website: **https://e-voice.org.uk/greatbraxtedparishcouncil/**

Little Braxted - All meetings are held at the Braxted Bakery, and start at 7.00 p.m.

The next dates are: To be confirmed Email the following for details: **littlebraxtedpc@hotmail.com**

All members of the public are welcome to attend either PC meeting

WELCOME TO MAY

A month where we enjoy two bank holidays, and some might even enjoy dancing around the Maypole. Here are a few other memorable dates for you to enjoy in May, Star Wars Day May the fourth, Clean up your room day May 10th. If you know anyone that does not access Facebook and would like a copy emailed to them, please let me know lee.kane01@hotmail.com

Braxted Facebook Groups

Those interested, in local updates, including stories found in the Braxted bulletin and other local issues, please feel free to join the following Facebook groups , **by either** searching for 'Great Braxted Residents' or using the below link for Great Braxted, or requesting to join 'Little Braxted' group via Facebook message to Ali Aldi.
https://www.facebook.com/groups/1637978482902828/

Honour....High Sheriff of Essex

Simon Brice of Colemans Farm, Little Braxted Lane has been appointed as the High Sherriff of Essex for 2021/2022.

This is an historical and honorary position dating back to Saxon Times and is for one year only.

Congratulations to Simon. GBPC

GREAT BRAXTED PAVILION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

Help required to clean the pavilion 2 hours per month
Flexible times to suit.
Please contact Sarah Mann (Secretary) for further details.
Sarahm66@btinternet.com or phone 892821.

Roy Copsey - RIP

It is with great sadness that we report of the passing of Roy at Broomfield Hospital on 14th April 2021. He died of pneumonia, not Covid 19. He was 86 years old.

He was a stalwart of Braxted for very many years and an active member of the community. He served at one time as a Parish councillor; he ran the Braxted Whist club; he had been a member of various village clubs including the Garden club; and at one time looked after the playground, and cut the grass there.

He was an active member of All Saints Church and supported his wife Sue who was a Churchwarden and latterly the Verger. He also was responsible for managing the building of the extension of the church including the provision of toilets and a small kitchen.

He had many interests which included gardening, golf, model railways, etc.
He will be greatly missed and all our prayers and sympathies are with Sue, Stephen, Dawn, Simon, Ian, and all the grandchildren, great grandchildren and family and many friends. There will be a memorial service towards the end of June. Full details will be in the next Bulletin

St Nicholas' Church Little Braxted

In the Ecclesiastical Parish of Wickham
Bishops with Little Braxted

Gathered worship continues; observing Government guidelines
Information below is correct at time of going to press

IN AND FROM OUR PARISH

Services from St Bartholomew's will be streamed on Face Book Live
Sunday Order of Service and Weekly Pew Sheet are posted on the website www.churchinwickham bishops.org.uk
Services below are all at St Bartholomew's except where shown

Sunday 2nd 10.30 am	**EASTER 5** Holy Communion
Sunday 9th 10.30 am	**EASTER 6** ***Rogation Sunday*** Holy Communion
Thursday 13th 7.30pm	**ASCENSION DAY** – Marking the beginning of **Thy Kingdom Come** – 9 days of prayer https://www.thykingdomcome.global/
Sunday 16th 9.00am 10.30am	**EASTER 7** Holy Communion [BCP] at St Nicholas' Little Braxted. Service of the Word offered by the Sunday Praise Team.
Sunday 23rd 10.30am	**PENTECOST** Holy Communion
Sunday 30th 10.30am	**TRINITY SUNDAY** Holy Communion
WEDNESDAYs 10.00am	Holy Communion
MONDAYs and FRIDAYs 10.15am	**Morning Prayer on Zoom** [please email revhilary@btinternet.com if you wish to be part of this so we can send you the link]

To Book a Pew until restrictions are lifted text
07902 453893 for St Nicholas' and 07910 109396 for St Bartholomew's

Priest-in-charge	Rev Hilary Le Sève	01621 892867
Churchwardens	Barry Cousins	01621 891355 / 07902 453893
	Graham Wingrove	01621 891844

Events commemorating the 900th Anniversary of the founding of St Nicholas' remain suspended, and are currently being rescheduled. Watch the website and this page for new details.

Volunteers needed to support local COVID-19 vaccination programme

Your local NHS is getting ready to deliver a COVID-19 vaccination programme and they need your help.

They are looking for volunteer stewards across Essex and Suffolk to be at the forefront of the local fight against the virus – you could be part of it!

As a volunteer steward, you will help the vaccination process run smoothly and safely.

Local vaccination stations will be open from 8am-8pm seven days a week. Volunteers are asked to commit to individual sessions of four hours plus 15 minutes handover time.

This is an exciting opportunity to play your part in protecting the community and saving lives.

If you are interested in volunteering please email epunft.businesssupport.volunteering@nhs.net

For more information visit https://eput.nhs.uk/vaccine-recruitment

The Thurstable & Winstree Team Ministry

ALL SAINT'S GREAT BRAXTED
CHURCH NEWS MAY 2021

At last churches are open again. However we must maintain wearing masks and keep social distancing. Hand sanitization is necessary. Due to pressures we will have to restrict services to 2 or 3 per month (see below) if you wish to attend please book in with Christine and that means we can keep records for test and trace.

We can now hold weddings and two have taken place in April already but with restricted numbers. This will change soon.

Roy Copsey has sadly died aged 86 and there is a note elsewhere in this Bulletin. There will be a private family cremation then a Memorial service towards the end of June

We share the village notice board with the parish council and it is shortly to be removed for repair. It will soon be back but information will also be available via the village and parish council Facebook pages.

Services for the coming month are

Sunday 2nd May Communion at 11.15 am
Thursday 6th May WEDDING at 1 pm
Sunday 16th May Morning service (Matins) at 11.15am
Sunday 30th May Communion 2 at 11.15 am
Sunday 6th June Communion (followed by a Baptism)

Contacts: Rector	Revd. Anne-Marie Renshaw	01621 815260
Churchwardens	Mike Puttick	01621 816830
	Ken Hornett	01621 891424
Admin Assistant	Christine Hall [office hours]	07421 078981
Website:	www.tk-tiptree-braxted-benefice.org.uk	

Join legions of gardeners and say “no” to the mow this May to help our bees, butterflies, wildlife and us!

Plantlife’s No Mow May campaign doesn’t ask you to do much. In fact, it asks you to not do anything at all…

Just lock up your lawnmower on May 1st and let the wild flowers in your lawn bloom, providing a feast of nectar for our hungry pollinators.

Let it grow… let it groooow…

At the end of the month, on the Bank Holiday Weekend, join in with our nationwide “Every Flower Counts” survey to discover how many bees the UK’s lawns can feed. Not only will you receive your very own “nectar score” (which will tell you have many bees your lawn can feed), you’ll help us learn more about the health of the nations’ wild flowers.

https://www.plantlife.org.uk/uk/discover-wild-plants-nature/no-mow-may

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- Information about of services translated, in large print, audio, braille or Easy Read
- A priority number that you can call 24 hours a day
- A dedicated specialist team who will contact you by phone or text message, to keep you updated during a power cut
- Tailored support if you need this such as home visits, hot meals, advice and keeping your friends and relatives updated

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Great Braxted Trucam Patrols, speed camera checks

Please see below for statistic in regard to speed camera checks now taking place regularly in Great Braxted, as part of the Parish Council initiative in response to community concerns.

Parish / Town Council	Month	Total Number of Hours
Great Braxted	Mar-21	2
Number of Tru Cam Patrols	Hours Spent on Tru Cam	Number of Offenders
3	2	6

https://e-voice.org.uk/greatbraxtedparishcouncil/
The above referenced website is updated by our parish clerk, and includes local information, including planned road closures, as well as news from Maldon District council including campaigns, news and bulletins.

News from District Councillor

I am now halfway through my term as your District Councillor and I would like to say how rewarding it has been to be the councillor for the Great Totham ward. Being able to provide answers, solutions, advice and support to many of the residents that have contacted me. Dealing with your issues and to either provide solutions directly, or help residents go to the relevant person or body.

The last 2 years at times have been personally challenging, however I think the long term outcome for myself has been of benefit. I have also worked hard to deal with some of the long-term issues that both the Totham ward and the Maldon district. I hope that over the next 2 years, they will come to fruition.

It has been very good to meet so many residents and I hope that as we come out of lock down there will be more opportunities to do so again. I hope in the very near future that I will be able to reinstate surgeries, where you can come and meet with me.

Please contact me at any time either by email or telephone 01621 890809
cllr.richard.siddall@maldon.gov.uk

Stay safe and well
Richard

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SUPPORT FOR VIRTUAL GET TOGETHERS

Are you interested in an online meet up for a coffee and a chat?

Would you prefer a game of virtual bingo with friends?

Or perhaps you want to learn a new skill?

Whatever you fancy, we can help make it happen!

We can offer as much or as little support as you need. Whether it's joining an existing group in your village or starting up something new, feel free to give us a call.

Nicky Plumb Moat Foundation 07711438513
Amy Melton United in Kind 07458 300900

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HOW TO TREAT CORONAVIRUS SYMPTOMS AT HOME

TEMPERATURE

- ✓ Get lots of rest.
- ✓ Drink plenty of fluids (water is best) to avoid dehydration - drink enough so your pee is light yellow and clear.
- ✓ Take paracetamol or ibuprofen if you feel uncomfortable.

COUGH

- ✓ Lie on your side or sit upright instead. Avoid lying on your back.

- ✓ Try having a teaspoon of honey to help ease a cough. But do not give honey to babies under 12 months.

If this does not help, ask a non-isolating friend or family member to seek advice from a pharmacist on your behalf.

BREATHLESS

- ✓ Keep your room cool. Try turning the heating down or opening a window. DO NOT use a fan as it may spread the virus.

- ✓ Try breathing slowly in through your nose and out through your mouth, with your lips together.

- ✓ Sit upright in a chair relaxing your shoulders.

- ✓ Lean forward slightly - support yourself by putting your hands on your knees or on something stable like a chair.

Try to stay calm if you're feeling breathless. Anxiety can make it worse.

Call 999 for an ambulance if you or someone you care for:

- are struggling to breathe
- are coughing up blood
- have blue lips or a blue face
- feel cold and sweaty, with pale or blotchy skin
- have a rash that does not fade when you roll a glass over it
- collapse or faint
- become confused or very drowsy
- have stopped peeing or are peeing much less than usual

Tell the operator you might have coronavirus symptoms.

DO NOT GO TO A PHARMACY

If you or someone you live with has coronavirus symptoms, you must all stay at home.

If you're concerned about your symptoms and need medical advice, **use the NHS 111 online coronavirus service.**

GETTING HELP WHILE YOU'RE STAYING AT HOME

The Essex Wellbeing Service can help you while you have to stay at home (self-isolate).

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- Look around the area and see if there is anyone obviously looking for their lost pet.
- Report to the local council (dog warden); it is the law and they may already have had the dog reported as missing. You can find details of your local dog warden on-line here: www.gov.uk/report-stray-dog
- If you can, take the dog to a local vets for them to scan for a chip.
  In most cases they will then be able to call the owner if dog is chipped, or call the local dog warden to collect if not.
- In Scotland you should also report to the police.
- Also check in the 'Lost' section of the DogLost website to see if this dog has been reported as missing. www.doglost.co.uk/dog-search.php?status=Lost
- Many of our volunteers in the area do have scanners so may be able to come out and scan the dog for you. You can ask on local DogLost pages if anyone can help or call our head office for more information.
- Register the dog on the DogLost website: www.doglost.co.uk
  and share on Social Media such as Facebook / Twitter, local DogLost pages and groups.
- You can also print posters from this dog's page using the View Poster button and put up around the area that he / she was found. Don't forget to laminate in case it rains.
- If you can, put Posters in local shops, pubs, garages, supermarkets; everywhere that there are a lot of people. Spread the word to try to find the owners . . .

Thank you for caring!!!

DOG LOST

Stolen & Missing Pets Alliance

Helpline **0844 800 3220** or **01633 673 859** e-mail: admin@doglost.co.uk

THE ESSEX WELFARE SERVICE

0300 303 9988

provide.essexwelfareservice@nhs.net

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SAT - SUN, 10AM - 2PM

THE ESSEX WELFARE SERVICE IS THERE TO HELP YOU FIND AND ACCESS SUPPORT DURING THE COVID-19 CHALLENGE. IF YOU NEED SUPPORT WITH ADVICE, DAILY LIVING TASKS AND WELLBEING, PLEASE CONTACT US.

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VILLAGE ACTIVITIES IN BRAXTED PAVILION & GROUNDS

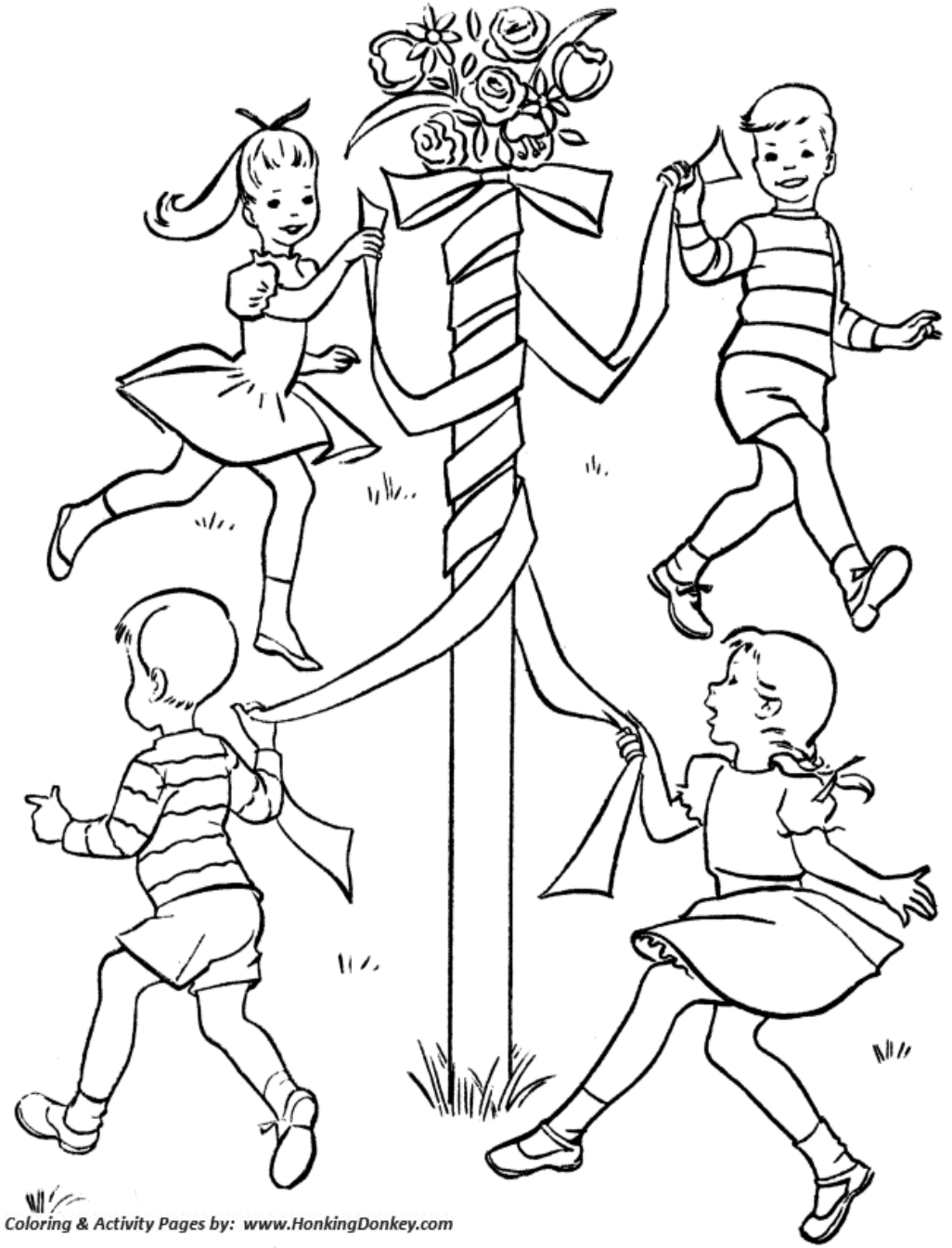
Lettings Officer & Key Holder: Sarah Mann 892821 , email sarahm66@btinternet.com

NOTE: Several of the below regular activities have been suspended including, The Bridge Group, The Art Club and Parish Council meetings, all separately decided to close for the time being. This is in line with government recommendations. There may be others that hold activities within the pavilion building, so please check with organisers before attending. (**It is hoped that activities can restart in June)**

The pavilion itself will be subject to daily checks to ensure it is OK and things such as maintenance, cleaning, decorating and the like will continue, as these do not involve "gatherings" of more than a very few people

Monday	**U3A Bridge Group** 09.30 am, - 12.00 pm (Ken Hornett 01621 891424)
	Braxted Art Club 1pm. David Joyce 01621 891241
	Metafit [keep fit] 6:30pm – 9pm. *Lisa Brand 01621 893720*
Wednesday	**Pilates Class** 4:30pm - 5:30pm. *Maureen Barnes 07718741362*
Thurs& Sat	**Dog Club** Thursday 09:30am-1:30pm, 1st Saturday of the month (Excl Jan), from 10am. *Diane Sawford 01621 893664*
Saturday	**Braxted Bombers Keep Fit (**outdoors when weather good) 8.30am -9.30am. Terry Martin 07976617534
	Summer Cricket matches 1pm
Misc	**Parish Council and Pavilion Committee** Meetings (details of dates in Bulletin)
	Home school intermittently some weekday Wednesday's

** Private hire available from June 21st, UK government willing!*
The cost of the Pavilion is £25 or £10 for residents of Great and Little Braxted.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