

# WHAT'S ON

## IN MALDON DISTRICT

Further information on any of the following events can be obtained from  
**Maldon District Tourist Information Centre, Wenlock Way, Maldon.**  
**Tel. 01621 856503.**

### BOX OFFICE EVENTS

**The Tourist Information Centre is your one-stop shop for events information and ticket purchases.**

15<sup>th</sup> March Talk: 'Cockleshell Heroes' Combined Military Services Museum  
 4<sup>th</sup> April Maldon Choral Society Plume School, Fambridge Rd  
 11th April Hermitage Ensemble All Saints' Church, Maldon

**Discount Tickets for Colchester Zoo, Adventure Island and Sea-life Adventure – buy now use any day**

**Theatre Tokens, the perfect gift for any occasion, available all year. Valid in local and London theatres.**

**Enquiries & Credit Card Hotline: 01621 856503**

### MARKET DAYS IN MALDON DISTRICT



**Thursdays & Saturdays** - General Market Butt Lane Car Park. Enquiries: Terry Frost 07816 872727  
**Thursdays** – Maldon Country Market, Maldon Town Hall Foyer, 9.15am – 11.45am.

**1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of month** – Antique and Collectors Fair, The Bewick Suite, Swan Hotel 9am - 4pm.  
 Enquiries 01702 230746 or 07788 583379.

**1<sup>ST</sup> Saturday of month** (except Jan & Aug. Extra market last Sat July) – Second Hand Market, Town Hall. 9am – 3pm. Enquiries: Mrs Norman 01702 544063

**Bank Holiday Markets** – B.H. Mons Mar - Sept. Promenade Park. 10am – 4pm.  
 Enquiries: Paul Irvine 07768 574407.

#### FARMERS' MARKETS

**1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of month** Swan Hotel. 10am onwards. Enquiries: Stuart Howard 07526 979274

**Last Sunday of month** Maldon Town Football Club. 10am – 1pm. Enquiries: 01621 853762

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month** Carnival Hall Burnham-on-Crouch 9am – 12.30pm.  
 Enquiries Jo Broughton 07932 627574.

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of month** Parish Rooms, Church St, Tollesbury. 8am – 12 noon.  
 Enquiries: Samantha Glennie 07986513228

**14/2/09, 15/8/09, 17/10/09, 19/12/09** RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 10am – 2pm. Enquiries . 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)



#### Fitsteps walks

A range of accompanied walks throughout the District are available varying in length from 1 – 3 miles. The walks take place three times a week and are led by up to three trained volunteers and are suitable for all levels of fitness. They are ideal for those who are new to exercise, recovering from an illness or just wish to make new friends. The walks include town and country, ancient woodland, seawalls and marinas.  
 Enquiries: 01621 854477 or 07960 168859. [www.fitsteps.org.uk](http://www.fitsteps.org.uk)



#### FREE SWIM SESSIONS AT BLACKWATER LEISURE CENTRE, PARK DRIVE

Maldon District Council in partnership with Mid Essex Primary Care Trust is offering free swimming until 31 March 2009 at all public sessions. Swim timetable available from the Tourist Information Centre. A wristband system will operate during busy sessions.  
 Enquiries: Tourist Information Centre 01621 856503.

# MARCH 2009



## Guided Tours of the Moot Hall

Saturdays until 31<sup>st</sup> October

2pm & 3.30pm

15<sup>th</sup> century building featuring medieval spiral brick staircase and 18<sup>th</sup> century courtroom.

Panoramic views from the roof across the Blackwater Estuary.

Donations appreciated. Enquiries: 01621 857373.

### ★ Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March

Sayers Jazz Club. Blue Boar, Maldon. 8.30pm. The Washboard Syncopators. Admission £5.

Lunchtime Concert: Penelope Lynex and Christopher Roberts. United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 1pm.

Cello and piano. Programme will include Mendelssohn, Paul Hindemith, Schumann and Cassado.

Enquiries: Martin Pollard 01621 858178

Essex Book Festival presents Susan Sellers. Burnham Library. 7pm. Susan Sellers explores the life-long rivalry between Virginia Woolf and her sister and reveals her dramatic new interpretation of Virginia's suicide in her debut novel, Vanessa and Virginia. Tickets £4/£3. Enquiries: 01206 573948 [www.essexbookfestival.org.uk](http://www.essexbookfestival.org.uk)

Maldon Town Neighbourhood Action Panel Meeting. Maldon Town Hall. 7pm.

Enquiries: PC Alison King 01621 852255.

### ★ Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March

Maldon Flower Arrangement Club. Mary Griffiths presents: 'Kaleidoscope'. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. 7.30pm. Bring & buy stall, sales table, raffle and refreshments. Members competition – an arrangement to include a bottle. Visitors welcome, £4.50. Enquiries: Merie Keeble 01621 856354.

Live Music. Terence Ruffle (solo). Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon. Enquiries: [www.terenceruffle.co.uk](http://www.terenceruffle.co.uk)

Live Music. The Mighty Bosscats. Blue Boar, Silver Street, Maldon. Enquiries: [www.themightybosscats.com](http://www.themightybosscats.com)

### ★ Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Lambing Weekend. Marsh Farm Country Park, South Woodham Ferrers. 10am – 5pm. See the newborn lambs, meet Little Bo Peep and help her find her sheep. Talks and demonstrations by the shepherd in the sheep shed. Enter a ballot to take part in the lambing night watch. £6.25 adults, £3.75 children, £4.50 concessions. Enquiries: 01245 321552 [www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk](http://www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk)

### ★ Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Craft Jumble Sale. Carnival Hall, Burnham-on-Crouch. Annual sale of craft materials. 10am – 1.30pm. Enquiries: Vicky 01621 782867.

Sid Bolan Big Band. All Saints' Church, Maldon. 7.30pm A 15 piece big band performing a wide selection of music from the 1930's to 1960's. Admission £5.

St Clare's Craft Circle 'a Bit of a Do'. Althorne village hall. 11am – 3pm. In aid of Farleigh hospice.

Enquiries: 01621 857727.

Have a go at Orienteering. Promenade Park, Maldon. 10am – 11.30am. Suitable for all fitness levels, ages and abilities. Organised by Essex Stragglers Orienteering Society.

Enquiries: Julie Laver 01206 826152 <http://stragglers.info>

Choral Concert: 'Illuminati'. United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 7.30pm. Unaccompanied choral music covering a wide range of sacred and secular pieces, from English madrigals to Italian motets and modern arrangements of traditional folksongs. Retiring collection in aid of Christian Aid.

Enquiries: 07841 514765 [www.illuminatichoir.org.uk](http://www.illuminatichoir.org.uk)

Mental Health Awareness Training Day. The Octagon, St Mary's Church. 10am – 4.30pm. Concerning pastoral and spiritual care. Learning how to work with people who have mental health issues.

Enquiries: Father Louis Darrant 01621 857191.

'Bit of a Do 4'. Althorne Church Hall. 11am – 3pm. Crafts, gifts, crockery, books, silent auction, home-made refreshments. In aid of St Clare's Hospice and St Andrew's Church.

Chelmer & Blackwater Ramblers Walk. Meet at Wickham Bishops Village Hall Car Park. 10.15am. A 10 – 12 mile walk. Enquiries: 01621 740324.

Live Music. 'England's Pride'. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge.

Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)

Live Music. 'Old School Disco'. The Warwick, High Street, Maldon. Enquiries:

[www.myspace.com/the\\_warwick](http://www.myspace.com/the_warwick)

★ **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

Talk: 'WW11 Operation Frankton 'Cockleshell Heroes''. Combined Military Services Museum. 7.30pm doors open 6.30pm. Operation Frankton, The Cockleshell Heroes Raid. The Museum holds the last remaining early produced 'Cockle' Canoe and a range of items owned by Marine Sparks, one of the two survivors of the raid. A former Royal Marine will recreate the Operation for you, using Sparks own words. He will also tell the tale of Hasler and Sparks incredible escape through occupied France and into Spain and how Sparks was arrested as a deserter when he eventually reached home. £6. Tickets available from Tourist Information Centre 01621 856503.

Maldon & Dengie Ramblers Walk. Meet at Butt Lane car park, Maldon . 10am A 7mile walk.

Enquiries: Alan Seager 01621 858071 or Joy Rodgers 01621 741223 [www.maldondengieramblers.org.uk](http://www.maldondengieramblers.org.uk)

Science and Engineering Sunday. Fascinating experiments and demonstrations at the Museum of Power, Hatfield Road, Langford. Enquiries: 01621 843183. [www.museumofpower.org.uk](http://www.museumofpower.org.uk)

★ **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

Third Monday Debate. Maldon Library. 7pm – 8pm with live broadcast on Saint FM 94.7FM. Subject: 'The Future of Local Businesses in the Downturn'. Four local speakers prepare a 5 minute statement of their views then the audience are invited to join in the debate. Enquiries: John Cassels 01621 773010 [www.saintfm.org.uk](http://www.saintfm.org.uk)

★ **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

Maldon Film Club. 'Persepolis' Maldon Town Hall. 8pm.

Enquiries: 01621 788233 [www.maldonfilmclub.info](http://www.maldonfilmclub.info)

Talk: 'Hyde Hall – The Dry Garden'. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. Talk for Maldon & Heybridge Horticultural Society. Seed Swap, plant sale, raffle and shop. £1 members, £2 non-members.

Enquiries: Liz Dunkin 01621 854371 [www.mhhs.co.uk](http://www.mhhs.co.uk)

★ **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March**

Drama; 'Return To Akenfield'. Maldon Town Hall. 7.30pm. An Eastern Angles production based on the book by Ronald Blythe. A kaleidoscopic view of a village in a state of flux, subject to the forces of globalisation, intensive farming, and migrant workers. Enquiries: 01473 211498 [www.easternangles.co.uk](http://www.easternangles.co.uk)

Live Music. 'The Rhythm Pack. Bewick Suite, Swan Hotel, Maldon. Enquiries: [www.bewicksjamnight.com](http://www.bewicksjamnight.com)

★ **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

Sayers Jazz Club. Blue Boar, Maldon. 8.30pm. Sayers Storeyville Jazz Band with Carol Braithwaite. Admission £5.

★ **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March**

Live Music. Sean Dillon. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon. Paul Weller tribute and Ska covers.

★ **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April**

Art Exhibition : ' In the Company of Trees'. Maeldune Heritage Centre. (Until 31<sup>st</sup> March)Thurs & Fri 1pm – 4pm, Sat 10am – 4pm. (From 1<sup>st</sup> April) Mon – Fri 1pm – 4pm, Sat 10am – 4pm. A joint exhibition of work by Fiona Cordasco and Anthony Nicholson featuring textile pieces, paintings and collages. Enquiries: 01621 851628.

★ **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> & Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**

Lambing Weekend. Marsh Farm Country Park, South Woodham Ferrers. 10am – 5pm. See the newborn lambs, meet Little Bo Peep and help her find her sheep. Talks and demonstrations by the shepherd in the sheep shed. Enter a ballot to take part in the lambing night watch. £6.25 adults, £3.75 children, £4.50 concessions. Enquiries: 01245 321552 [www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk](http://www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk)

★ **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March**

Junior Rangers Club 'Spring Safari'. Promenade Park. 10am – 12noon. A new free club for youngsters aged 7-12 years to join in park activities and events. Pre-booking essential. Enquiries: Louise Flavell 07931 594785.

'Simply Britney' Tribute Show. Maldon Town Football Club. Starring Kimberley Dayle. Live singing. Britney Spears tribute show and disco. Tickets £15 including buffet. Enquiries: 01621 853762 [www.cool-note.com](http://www.cool-note.com)

Quiz Night. West Maldon Community Centre, Sunbury Way. 8pm. Bring your own glass, drink and nibbles. £3 per person. Enquiries: Sue 01621 840951.

Have a go at Orienteering. Promenade Park, Maldon. 10am – 11.30am. Suitable for all fitness levels, ages and abilities. Organised by Essex Stragglers Orienteering Society.

Enquiries: Julie Laver 01206 826152 <http://stragglers.info>

Live Music. Oasis tribute band 'Oacis'. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge. Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)

Live Music. Mick West. The Welcome, Fullbridge. Maldon.

★ **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March**

Maldon & Dengie Ramblers Walk. Meet at Providence Rd car park, Burnham-on-Crouch. 10am A 6 mile walk followed by a 4 mile walk at 1.15pm.

Enquiries: Alan Seager 01621 858071 or Joy Rodgers 01621 741223 [www.maldondengieramblers.org.uk](http://www.maldondengieramblers.org.uk)

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★ **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

Essex Book Festival presents Martin Newell. Maldon Library. 7.30pm. Broadcaster, songwriter and rock musician Martin Newell presents poetry for people who don't like it and for those who do. A lively humorous evening of Martin's unique take on life. Tickets £6.50/£4.50. Enquiries: 01206 573948 [www.essexbookfestival.org.uk](http://www.essexbookfestival.org.uk)

★ **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March**

Sayers Jazz Club. Blue Boar, Maldon. 8.30pm. Barry Tyler's Original Dixiland Jazz Band. Admission £5.  
Drama; 'Return To Akenfield'. Purleigh Village Hall. 7.30pm. An Eastern Angles production based on the book by Ronald Blythe. A kaleidoscopic view of a village in a state of flux, subject to the forces of globalisation, intensive farming, and migrant workers. Adults £7.50, concessions £6.50. Enquiries: 01621 850739 [www.easternangles.co.uk](http://www.easternangles.co.uk)  
Information Day for Disability Services. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. 2pm – 4pm. View displays and talk to representatives of organisations such as the Stroke club, Vision Impaired, Parkinson's Disease Society and Viking Community Transport. Find out more about the services available to support people living with a disability. Enquiries: Sarah Laskar 01621 851891 [sarah@maldoncvcs.co.uk](mailto:sarah@maldoncvcs.co.uk)

★ **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

Charity Barn Dance to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration of the Essex Wildlife Trust.  
Do-si-do to the Hosepipe Band at Marney Tower, CO5 9US. Tickets £12.50 per person. Doors open at 7pm, entertainment 8pm 'til late. Enquiries and tickets: Zoë Wood on 01621 862996 [zoew@essexwt.org.uk](mailto:zoew@essexwt.org.uk)  
Live Music. Steve Forward. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon.  
Live Music. Tim Aves-Son Henry Band. Blue Boar, Silver Street, Maldon.  
Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/beatrootsclub](http://www.myspace.com/beatrootsclub)

★ **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

Kite Weekend. RHS Garden Hyde Hall, Rettendon. 10am - 4pm. Hyde Hall provides a dramatic backdrop for kite flying; flying demonstrations, buggy rides and children's kite making workshops. Bring your own kite. £5.50 adults, £2 children. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)  
Lambing Weekend. Marsh Farm Country Park, South Woodham Ferrers. 10am – 5pm. See the newborn lambs, meet Little Bo Peep and help her find her sheep. Talks and demonstrations by the shepherd in the sheep shed. Enter a ballot to take part in the lambing night watch. £6.25 adults, £3.75 children, £4.50 concessions. Enquiries: 01245 321552 [www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk](http://www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk)

★ **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

Wickham Bishops Club of Jazz. Wickham Bishops Village Hall. 8pm. Doors open 7pm. Legends of the Great Bands of the 60's. Bring your own drinks and glasses. Enquiries: Derek 01621 892015 or Gordon 01621 891717.  
St Clare's Craft Circle Spring Fayre. Plantation Hall, Heybridge. 10am. In aid of Farleigh hospice. Enquiries: 01621 857727.

Have a go at Orienteering. Promenade Park, Maldon. 10am – 11.30am. Suitable for all fitness levels, ages and abilities. Organised by Essex Stragglers Orienteering Society.  
Enquiries: Julie Laver 01206 826152 <http://stragglers.info>

'Passion – 400 years of Romantic Song'. United Reformed Church, Maldon. 7.30pm. Elizabeth Holliday, soprano, entertains with a recital including Mozart, Puccini and Quilter. Tickets £5.  
Enquiries: [lizzie@lizzieholliday.co.uk](mailto:lizzie@lizzieholliday.co.uk) [www.lizzieholliday.co.uk](http://www.lizzieholliday.co.uk)

Live Music. 'My Mind's Eye'. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge.  
Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)

Maldon WEA Study Day Lectures: 'A Trip up the Blackwater' and 'The Port Books of Maldon'. United Reformed Church Hall, Maldon. 10.30am for 11am. A unique opportunity to hear firstly a talk about the wide ranging history that is to be found along the shores of the River from its mouth up to Maldon and secondly one which will reveal much fascinating information about life in the town and on the Hythe, the ships and their owners, trade and economy as recorded between 1565 and 1702 in the Port Books which are kept in the National Archives at Kew. Fee: £10. Enquiries: David Leslie 01621 857057 or John Cane 01621 856847.

★ **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

Daffodil Dog Walk. Promenade Park. In aid of Marie curie Nurses. £5 per person. Prizes for best dressed dog and walker. Enquiries: 01920 468956 [www.mariecurie.org.uk](http://www.mariecurie.org.uk)  
Indoor Car Boot Sale. Maldon Town Football Club. 10am – 1pm. Enquiries: Carole 01621 894953.

# APRIL 2009

## ★ **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April**

Maldon Film Club. Mystery Film. Maldon Town Hall. 8pm.

Enquiries: 01621 788233 [www.maldonfilmclub.info](http://www.maldonfilmclub.info)

## ★ **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**

Talk: 'The Poor Laws in the Parish of Sandon'. United Reformed Church Hall, Maldon. 7.45pm. Talk by Dr Roger Beckett on behalf of the Maldon Society.

Invitation To View – History. Layer Marney Tower, near Colchester. 11am. Guided tour by the owners with refreshments. Tickets from Mercury Theatre 01206 573948. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

## ★ **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April**

Live Music. Blackwater Sunset. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon. Blues/rock.

Live Music. The Junkyard Aliens. The Cups, Wantz Rd. Maldon. Enquiries: [www.junkyardaliens.piczo.com](http://www.junkyardaliens.piczo.com)

## ★ **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April**

Langford & Ulting Art Exhibition. Langford & Ulting Village Hall, Maldon Rd, Langford. 10am – 5pm. Annual exhibition attracting hundreds of exhibitors and visitors. Homemade refreshments available. Adults £1, under 12's free. Enquiries Caroline Spong 01621 855220.

## ★ **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April**

Maldon Choral Society present: 'The Armed Man' by Karl Jenkins. Plume School, Fambridge Rd. 7.30pm. the choir will be supported by the Plume School Choir, Maldon Youth Choir and the PAMS choir. Orchestra led by Emma Penfold. Tickets will be available from Tourist Information Centre Adults £7, Under 18's £3.00.

Enquiries: [www.maldonchoralsociety.org.uk](http://www.maldonchoralsociety.org.uk)

Hermitage Ensemble. St Lawrence Rural Discovery Church, St Lawrence. 7.30pm. £10 including glass of wine. In aid of Friends of St Lawrence Church.

Enquiries: John Barnes 01621 779267 or 01621 779319. [www.hermitage.seenworks.com](http://www.hermitage.seenworks.com)

Have a go at Orienteering. Promenade Park, Maldon. 10am – 11.30am. Suitable for all fitness levels, ages and abilities. Organised by Essex Stragglers Orienteering Society.

Enquiries: Julie Laver 01206 826152 <http://stragglers.info>

Young Tollesbury Amateur Players present: 'Mudlarks II'. Tollesbury Centre. 2pm \* 7.30pm. A hilarious production with the return of Captain Blackboot in 'Captain Blackboots and the Wallamagrumba'.

Enquiries: 01621 869818.

Live Music. Terry Batt plays/sings R'n'R. The Warwick, High Street, Maldon.

Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/the\\_warwick](http://www.myspace.com/the_warwick)

## ★ **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April**

Bottle Feed the Lambs. Layer Marney Tower, near Colchester. 12 noon – 5pm. Feeding times at 1pm and 4pm each day. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

## ★ **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April**

Beaks, Bunnies and Baa Lambs. Marsh Farm Country Park, South Woodham Ferrers. 10am – 5pm. Newborn chicks, bunnies and lambs. Bottle feed the orphan lambs, find the bunnies in the log cabin and follow the duckling trail. £6.25 adults, £3.75 children, £4.50 concessions. Enquiries: 01245 321552 [www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk](http://www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk)

## ★ **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April**

Maldon Film Club. 'The Night of the Sunflowers' Maldon Town Hall. 8pm.

Enquiries: 01621 788233 [www.maldonfilmclub.info](http://www.maldonfilmclub.info)

Soup Lunch for SWANS. Maldon Little Ship Club, Hythe Quay. 12 – 2pm. Minimum contribution £2.50.

Enquiries: Diana Rogers 01621 853841. [dianarogers2@btinternet.com](mailto:dianarogers2@btinternet.com)

## ★ **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

Illustrated Talk: 'Historical Ecology'. Friends Meeting House, Butt Lane, Maldon. 8pm. An Essex Wildlife Trust event. Talk by Adrian Knowles of EECOS on some aspects of the ways in which wood and farm names, field patterns and other clues can reveal changes to the countryside over past centuries.

Enquiries: Phil Luke 01621 853969 [phil@boxlodge.demon.co.uk](mailto:phil@boxlodge.demon.co.uk)

## ★ **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April**

Lunchtime Concert: Patrick McCarthy. United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 1pm. Patrick is a tenor soloist and conductor of the Witham Choral Society. Accompanied by Peter Dollimore.

Enquiries: Martin Pollard 01621 858178

Maldon Town Neighbourhood Action Panel Meeting. Maldon Town Hall. 7pm.

Enquiries: PC Alison King 01621 852255.

- ★ **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April**  
Live Music. 'Navacross'. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon.  
Live Music. The Mighty Bosscats. Blue Boar, Silver Street, Maldon. Enquiries: [www.themightybosscats.com](http://www.themightybosscats.com)
  
- ★ **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April**  
The Hermitage Ensemble. All Saints' Church, Maldon. 8pm. From St Petersburg in Russia, the concert follows the evening service and consists of Russian orthodox music and folk music. Tickets £8 from Tourist Information Centre. Enquiries: Mrs Clarke 01621 740374.  
Old Brentwood's Big Band. Wickham Bishops Village Hall. 7.30pm. Bring your own glasses and drinks. Admission £10 including supper. In aid of Little Haven's Children's Hospice and Essex Air Ambulance.  
Enquiries: Graham Harvey 01621 891206  
Live Music. 'The Surfrats' Bewick Suite, Swan Hotel, Maldon.  
Enquiries: [www.bewicksjammight.com](http://www.bewicksjammight.com) or [www.terenceruffle.co.uk](http://www.terenceruffle.co.uk)  
Live Music. 'Medicine'. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge. Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)  
Live Music. Kingsmen. The Welcome, Fullbridge. Maldon.
  
- ★ **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April**  
Olde Tyme Rally. Museum of Power, Langford. 10am – 5pm. Classic vehicles, music, craft stalls, family entertainment, historic machinery and miniature train rides. Enquiries: 01621 843183.  
Live Music. '2 Miles Hi'. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge. Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)
  
- ★ **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> & Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April**  
Steam Weekend. Mangapps Railway Museum. Burnham-on-Crouch.  
Enquiries: 01621 784898 [www.mangapps.co.uk](http://www.mangapps.co.uk)  
'It's Easter!' Layer Marney Tower, near Colchester. 11am – 5pm. Easter egg hunt, egg & spoon race, Easter quiz, bottle feed the lambs. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)  
Easter Egg Hunt, Bonnets and Bobtails. Marsh Farm Country Park, South Woodham Ferrers. 10am – 5pm. Take part in the Easter Egg hunt, hunting from egg to egg, collecting the letters and then re-arranging them to claim your chocolate prize. Meet the bunnies of all sized including the Easter Bunny. Bring your own Easter bonnet or make one on the farm and enter the parade and competition at 4pm each day. £6.25 adults, £3.75 children, £4.50 concessions. Enquiries: 01245 321552 [www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk](http://www.marshfarmcountrypark.co.uk)
  
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- ★ **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April**  
Maldon Beer Festival. Maldon Town Hall. Details to follow. Enquiries: [www.dengiecamra.org.uk](http://www.dengiecamra.org.uk)
  
- ★ **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April**  
Children's Seed Sowing. RHS Garden Hyde Hall, Rettendon. 11am – 1pm. Drop-in workshop allowing children to make their own flower pot from old newspapers, then planting a seed. £5.50 adults, £2 children. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)
  
- ★ **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April**  
Maldon Flower Arrangement Club. Janneke Jones presents: 'Going Dutch'. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. 7.30pm. Bring & buy stall, sales table, raffle and refreshments. Members competition: A decorated box for Easter. Visitors welcome, £4.50. Enquiries: Merie Keeble 01621 856354.
  
- ★ **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April**  
Robbie Williams Show. Maldon Town Football Club. Tribute show starring Mike Andrews as Robbie with late night disco. Tickets £18 including buffet. Enquiries: 01621 853762 [www.cool-note.com](http://www.cool-note.com)  
Live Music. Doll Set Tones. The Warwick, High Street, Maldon. Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/the\\_warwick](http://www.myspace.com/the_warwick)  
Live Music. Stingrays. The Welcome, Fullbridge. Maldon.
  
- ★ **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April**  
Live Music. Steve Curtis Band. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge.  
Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)
  
- ★ **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**  
Talk: 'Period Gardens in Essex'. Purleigh Village Hall. Maldon & Heybridge Horticultural Society joint meeting with Purleigh Gardeners Club. Seed Swap, plant sale, raffle and shop. £1 members, £2 non-members. Enquiries: Liz Dunkin 01621 854371 [www.mhhs.co.uk](http://www.mhhs.co.uk)

★ **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May.**

Art Exhibition : Peter Gammans. Maeldune Heritage Centre. Mon - Fri 1pm – 4pm, Sat 10am – 4pm. Works in watercolour and acrylic, Peter is inspired by the Essex countryside. Enquiries: 01621 851628.

★ **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

Coffee Morning. Purleigh Village Hall. 10am. Linen and lace stall, cakes, books, bring and buy, raffle. £2 including refreshments. In aid of Maldon Carers. Enquiries: Diana Johnson 01621 828490.

★ **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

Maldon Drama Group present: 'One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest'. Maldon Town Hall. 7.45pm. Doors open 7pm. Written by Dale Wasserman. Contains strong language. Licensed bar. Adults £5.50, concessions £4.50, balcony £6.50. Tickets available from Tourist Information Centre. Enquiries: 01621 856503.

## Gardens Open

### Regular Openings

**Wickham Place Farm Gardens**, Wickham Bishops. Fridays from 24<sup>th</sup> April – 31<sup>st</sup> July and 7<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> August. 11am – 4pm. Refreshments and plant sale. £3 adults. Open for charity Sundays 17<sup>th</sup> May & 5<sup>th</sup> July 2pm – 5pm.

Groups by appointment. Enquiries: 01621 891282 [www.wickhamplacefarm.co.uk](http://www.wickhamplacefarm.co.uk)

**Glen Chantry**, Ishams Chase, Wickham Bishops. Fridays and Saturdays 15<sup>th</sup> May – 15<sup>th</sup> August. Open for charity 5<sup>th</sup> June and 3<sup>rd</sup> July. 10am – 4pm. £3.50 adults, 50p child.

Enquiries: 01621 891342 [www.glenchantry.demon.co.uk](http://www.glenchantry.demon.co.uk)

### Village Gardens Open

Tollesbury Open Gardens. Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June. 11am – 5pm. Over 25 gardens open to view plus scarecrows. Refreshments, plants and raffle. £4 adults, £3 concessions, accompanied children free. Enquiries: Pam Laurie 01621 869406.

### National Gardens Scheme

**Casa Mia**, Rookery Lane, Great Totham. Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May & Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July. 1pm – 5pm. Groups by appointment June – Aug. £2.50 adults, children free. Enquiries: 01621 891152.

**4 Fernlea Rd, Burnham-on-Crouch**. Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July. 2pm – 6pm. Groups by appointment June – Aug. Combined with One Brook Hall Cottages. £4.50 adults. Enquiries: [www.franklins.f2s.com](http://www.franklins.f2s.com)

**One Brook Hall Cottages**, Steeple Rd, Latchingdon. Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July. 2pm – 6pm. Groups by appointment. Combined with 4 Fernlea Rd £4.50 adults, children free. Enquiries: 01621 741680.

**Ulting Wick**. Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September. 2pm – 5pm. Incorporating talk in Ulting Church. £3 adults, children free. Enquiries: 01245 380216.

★ **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

Race Night. Latchingdon Football Club. Including a fish & chip supper. Bar available. In aid of Purleigh Playing Field Association. Enquiries: 01621 828312.

Live Music. Stevie King's Bluecats. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon.

★ **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

Sing Eva Cassidy. Mundon Victory Hall. 10am – 4pm. Singing workshop. £32 including music refreshments and lunch. Enquiries: Ann Barrett 01621 776788 [singannie@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:singannie@dsl.pipex.com) [www.beginnersplease.com](http://www.beginnersplease.com)

Wickham Bishops Club of Jazz. Wickham Bishops Village Hall. 8pm. Doors open 7pm. Dave Stradwick's Sussex Jazz Kings. Bring your own drinks and glasses. Enquiries: Derek 01621 892015 or Gordon 01621 891717.

Live Music. Full Mental Racket. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge.

Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)

Live Music. The Dirty Work Blues Band. The Welcome, Fullbridge. Maldon.

★ **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April**

Essex Bike Safe. Millfields, Burnham-on-Crouch. 9am – 4pm. Motorcycle event aimed at promoting safety including assessed rides, demo bikes to ride, clothing accessories and training. Police marine section, Essex Air Ambulance, Police Helicopter, children's entertainment. Enquiries: 01245 240600 [www.essex.police.uk/bikesafe](http://www.essex.police.uk/bikesafe).

★ **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

Maldon Film Club. 'The Band's Visit'. Maldon Town Hall. 8pm.

Enquiries: 01621 788233 [www.maldonfilmclub.info](http://www.maldonfilmclub.info)

# MAY 2009

- \* **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May**  
Live Music. Wheelchair Willie Band. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon.
- \* **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**  
Annual Art Exhibition. Purleigh Village Hall. 10.30am – 8pm (Fri), 10.30am – 6pm (Sat), 11am – 4pm (Sun). Exhibition of work from local artists in mixed media. Art for sale. Refreshments available. Admission £1 including free catalogue. In aid of Purleigh Village Hall. Enquiries: 01621 828270.
- \* **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**  
Live Music. Fly and the Zimerons. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge.  
Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)  
Live Music. Chris Wren. The Welcome, Fullbridge. Maldon.  
Live Music. The Surfrats. The Cups, Wantz Rd. Maldon.
- \* **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May**  
Guild of Essex Craftsmen Craft Fair. RHS Garden Hyde Hall, Rettendon. 10am - 4pm. A three day craft extravaganza. £5.50 adults, £2 children. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)
- \* **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September**  
Splash Park opens. Promenade Park, Maldon. Every weekend 11am – 5pm. Daily 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May inclusive and 20<sup>th</sup> July – 4<sup>th</sup> September inclusive 11am – 5pm. Thursdays 4<sup>th</sup> June – 16<sup>th</sup> July inclusive 11am – 2pm.  
Enquiries: Tourist Information Centre 01621 856503.
- \* **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**  
Annual Plant Sale. Purleigh Playing Field. 10am. Refreshments available. In aid of The Friends of Purleigh Church. Enquiries: 01621 828270
- \* **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May**  
Steam Weekend. Mangapps Railway Museum. Burnham-on-Crouch.  
Enquiries: 01621 784898 [www.mangapps.co.uk](http://www.mangapps.co.uk)  
Kite Festival. Layer Marney Tower, near Colchester. 11am – 5pm. Bring them, build them, fly them!  
Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)
- \* **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May**  
Maldon Society Talk and AGM. United Reformed Church Hall, Maldon. 7.45pm.
- \* **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May**  
Live Music. Twisted Logistics. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon.  
Live Music. The Mighty Bosscats. Blue Boar, Silver Street, Maldon. Enquiries: [www.themightybosscats.com](http://www.themightybosscats.com)
- \* **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May**  
Quiz Night. West Maldon Community Centre, Sunbury Way. 8pm. Bring your own glass, drink and nibbles. £3 per person. Enquiries: Sue 01621 840951.
- \* **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May**  
Walk for Life. Starting from Heybridge Basin or Paper Mill Lock. Sponsored walk in aid of Farleigh Hospice.  
Enquiries: 01245 457408.  
Live Music. Americana hosted by Bob Cullum. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge.  
Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)
- \* **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May**  
Maldon Film Club. 'Lars and the Real Girl'. Maldon Town Hall. 8pm.  
Enquiries: 01621 788233 [www.maldonfilmclub.info](http://www.maldonfilmclub.info)
- \* **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May**  
Lunchtime Concert: Anglian Shades. United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 1pm. Jazz trio; piano, bass and drums performing jazz, latin and blues. Enquiries: Martin Pollard 01621 858178.
- \* **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May**  
Tollesbury Amateur Players present; 'Allo 'Allo. The Centre, Tollesbury. Adapted from the TV series by Jeremy Lloyd and David Croft. The adventures of Renee who is trying to hide a stolen priceless portrait in a sausage in his cellar. Includes the hidden British airmen, the girls of the Resistance and the German officers.  
Enquiries: 01621 869818.

★ **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

Coffee Morning. Purleigh Village Hall. 10am – 12 noon. Cake stall, crafts, bric-a-brac, bring & buy stall, books and toys. Admission by donation including refreshments. In aid of St Clare's Hospice.

Enquiries: 01621 891237 or 01621 850739.

Live Music. Usual Suspects. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon.

★ **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

Tollesbury Wick Marshes Open Day. An Essex Wildlife Trust 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary event. An opportunity to see this important grazing-marsh nature reserve from the inside. Lots of new-born lambs and calves to see. Refreshments available. Enquiries: Mike Sandison 01621 741351.

Live Music. Wheelchair Willie's Blues Band. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge.

Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)

★ **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

Trash 2 Fash. Maldon Town Hall. Fashionable re-cycling event creating fashions out of junk materials. Organised by Maldon Leo club. Enquiries: 01621 857394 or 0771 324 3804.

Invitation to View – History. Layer Marney Tower, near Colchester. 11am. Guided tour of the house and gardens by the owners with refreshments. Tickets from Mercury Theatre 01206 573948.

Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

Talk: 'Medicinal and Culinary Herbs' by John Webster. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. Maldon & Heybridge Horticultural Society. Seed Swap, plant sale, raffle and shop. £1 members, £2 non-members.

Enquiries: Liz dunkin 01621 854371 [www.mhhs.co.uk](http://www.mhhs.co.uk)

★ **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May – Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June**

Art Exhibition : 'Treasures From the Sea'. Maeldune Heritage Centre. Mon - Fri 1pm – 4pm, Sat 10am – 4pm. The Night and Day textile Group present a colourful and interesting exhibition of contemporary textile work .

Enquiries: 01621 851628.

★ **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

Live Music. Paul Nichols. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon.

★ **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

Wickham Bishops Club of Jazz. Wickham Bishops Village Hall. 8pm. Doors open 7pm. 'Tribute to Monty Sunshine'. Bring your own drinks and glasses. Enquiries: Derek 01621 892015 or Gordon 01621 891717.

Live Music. Stephen Foster-Pilkington. The Warwick, High Street, Maldon.

Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/the\\_warwick](http://www.myspace.com/the_warwick)

★ **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

Dance Festival and Classic Cars. Layer Marney Tower, near Colchester. 11am – 5pm. Join in with a variety of dancing and see the classic cars on display. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

★ **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> & Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May**

Steam Weekend. Mangapps Railway Museum. Burnham-on-Crouch.

Enquiries: 01621 784898 [www.mangapps.co.uk](http://www.mangapps.co.uk)

★ **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May**

Children's Farm Animal Days. RHS Garden Hyde Hall, Rettendon. 10am - 4pm. The garden turns into a mini farm with ponies, sheep, goats, rabbits, guinea-pigs, chickens, turkeys, ducks, mice and chicks. £5.50 adults, £2 children. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May**

Maldon Film Club. 'The Darjeeling Ltd'. Maldon Town Hall. 8pm.

Enquiries: 01621 788233 [www.maldonfilmclub.info](http://www.maldonfilmclub.info)

★ **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May**

Sounds of the Rat Pack Show. Maldon Town Football Club. Rat Pack tribute show singing all the favourites from Frank, Dean and Sammy. Starring James Hearn. Tickets £15 including buffet.

Enquiries: 01621 853762 [www.cool-note.com](http://www.cool-note.com) [www.myspace.com/soundsoftheratpack](http://www.myspace.com/soundsoftheratpack)

Live Music. Local Band Showcase with Claire Wyatt. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon.

Live Music. Andy Robinson Band. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge. Enquiries:

[www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)

Live Music. Ard Luck. The White Horse, Mundon. Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/ardluck](http://www.myspace.com/ardluck)

★ **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May**

Live Music. The Surfrats. The Welcome, Fullbridge. Maldon.

★ **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May**

Summer Show. Museum of Power, Langford. 10am – 5pm. Classic vehicles, music craft stalls, family entertainment, historic machinery and miniature steam train rides.

Enquiries: 01621 843183 [www.museumofpower.org.uk](http://www.museumofpower.org.uk)

## JUNE 2009

★ **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June**

Country Walk for the over 50's: Purleigh Views. Meet at Purleigh Village Hall. 10am. A five mile walk taking in views of the Rivers Crouch and Blackwater and around the water tower.

Enquiries: 07960 168859. [www.fitsteps.org.uk](http://www.fitsteps.org.uk)

★ **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

Talk: 'Danbury and Lingwood Commons'. United Reformed Church, Maldon. 7.45pm. Talk by Richard Wallison behalf of the Maldon Society.

★ **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

'Visions of an Old Campaigner'. Purleigh Village Hall. 7.30pm. One man show. Tickets £7. In aid of Purleigh Playing Field Association and Purleigh Village Hall. Enquiries: 01621 828312.

Live Music. Toad. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon.

★ **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

Sing A Cappella. St Peter's On the Wall, Bradwell. 10am – 4pm. Singing workshop. £29 including music refreshments and lunch. Enquiries: Ann Barrett 01621 776788 [singannie@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:singannie@dsl.pipex.com) [www.beginnersplease.com](http://www.beginnersplease.com)

Tolleshunt D'Arcy Village Fete. Enquiries: Dawn Pitt 01621 860428 [www.tolleshuntdarcy.co.uk](http://www.tolleshuntdarcy.co.uk)

A Celebration of Handel. All Saints' Church, Purleigh. 7pm. A concert with the Southend Bach Choir. Tickets £5. Enquiries: 01621 828119.

★ **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

999 Emergency Services Day. Riverside Park, Burnham-on-Crouch.

Enquiries: Carrie Sawkins 01621 875879.

Purleigh Open Gardens. 2pm – 5.30pm. Ploughman's lunches served from 1pm. Afternoon teas, plant sales. Programmes available from Purleigh Village Hall. Admission £2.50 per person. In aid of Purleigh Church and The Friends of Purleigh Church. Enquiries: 01621 850739.

★ **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June**

Lunchtime Concert: Christopher Roberts and Allan Granville. United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 1pm. Piano duets performing Bach, Rachmaninov, Debussy, Walton and Schumann.

Enquiries: Martin Pollard 01621 858178.

★ **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June**

Maldon Flower Arrangement Club. Demonstrations by Shirley Perkins. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. 7.30pm. Bring & buy stall, sales table, raffle and refreshments. Members competition ; a foliage arrangement. Visitors welcome, £4.50. Enquiries: Merie Keeble 01621 856354.

Live Music. The Mighty Bosscats. Blue Boar, Silver Street, Maldon. Enquiries: [www.themightybosscats.com](http://www.themightybosscats.com)

★ **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

Maldon Arts Festival. Enquiries: Colin Baldy 01621 856526 [www.handmadeopera.co.uk](http://www.handmadeopera.co.uk)

★ **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

Blackwater Country Show. Enquiries: 01621 858150 [www.blackwatercountryshow.co.uk](http://www.blackwatercountryshow.co.uk)

Live Music. The New Giants. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge.

Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)

★ **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June**

Invitation to View – History & Garden. Layer Marney Tower. 11am. Guided tour of the house and garden by the owner. Tickets from the Mercury Theatre 01206 573948. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

★ **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June**

Talk: 'Gothenburg Botanic Gardens' by Ray Drew. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. Maldon & Heybridge Horticultural Society. Seed Swap, plant sale, raffle and shop. £1 members, £2 non-members.

Enquiries: Liz Dunkin 01621 854371 [www.mhhs.co.uk](http://www.mhhs.co.uk)

★ **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

Burnham RiverFest. Enquiries: 01621 784962 [www.burnhamfestival.com](http://www.burnhamfestival.com)  
Tollesbury Open Gardens. 11am – 5pm. Over 25 gardens open to view plus scarecrows. Refreshments, plants and raffle. £4 adults, £3 concessions, accompanied children free. Enquiries: Pam Laurie 01621 869406.

★ **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

Burnham Art Trail. Enquiries: Tracey Saunders 01621 782385 [www.burnhamarttrail.co.uk](http://www.burnhamarttrail.co.uk)

★ **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

Live Music. Toad. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge. Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)

★ **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June**

East Essex Heavy Horse Show. Museum of Power, Langford. 10am – 5pm. Magnificent shire horses and wagons, craft stalls, family entertainment, historic machinery and miniature steam train rides.  
Enquiries: 01621 843183 [www.museumofpower.org.uk](http://www.museumofpower.org.uk)

★ **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

Shakespeare in the Park ; The Merry Wives of Windsor'. Promenade Park Amphitheatre.  
Enquiries: Tourist Information Centre 01621 856503. [www.mactheatre.co.uk](http://www.mactheatre.co.uk)

★ **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

St Clare's Craft Circle Tea at 3. Hazelwood Court, Oak Rd, Heybridge. 2pm. In aid of Farleigh hospice.  
Enquiries: 01621 857727.

Live Music. Ard Luck. Rose & Crown, High Street, Maldon. Enquiries: [www.myspace.co/ardluck](http://www.myspace.co/ardluck)

★ **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

Blackwater Barge Match. Enquiries: Pat Boss 01621 851147.

Wickham Bishops Club of Jazz. Wickham Bishops Village Hall. 8pm. Doors open 7pm. Martin Bennett and the Old Green River Jazz and Blues Band. Bring your own drinks and glasses.  
Enquiries: Derek 01621 892015 or Gordon 01621 891717.

Blues Brothers Show. Maldon Town Football Club. Blues Brothers tribute full of fun and humour with late night disco. Starring The Cool Guvnors. Tickets £15 including buffet. Enquiries: 01621 853762 [www.cool-note.com](http://www.cool-note.com)

Hog Roast. Badgers Hall, Goat House Lane, Purleigh. 4pm. Admission by ticket only. In aid of The Friends of Purleigh Church. Enquiries: 01621 850739.

★ **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

Henry VIII Birthday Celebrations. Layer Marney Tower near Colchester. 12 noon – 5pm. Celebrate 500 years since Henry III ascended the throne with a Tudor feast and a visit from Henry VIII. Join in Tudor dancing, sword-fighting, archery and games. Hog roast from 1pm – 3pm. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

A Midsummer Night's Dream. Layer Marney Tower. 7pm. A 'family friendly' production performed by the Quantum Theatre Company. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

## JULY 2009

★ **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Talk: 'Medieval Ruins in Essex part 2'. United Reformed Church Hall, Maldon. 7.45pm. Talk by Ken Newman on behalf of the Maldon Society.

★ **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July**

Strawberry Fair. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 10am – 5pm. A family friendly summer festival with music, children's activities, cream teas, food stalls and information on summer berries and fruit. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

Quiz Night. West Maldon Community Centre, Sunbury Way. 8pm. Bring your own glass, drink and nibbles. £3 per person. Enquiries: Sue 01621 840951.

★ **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July**

Country Walk for the over 50's: Wickham Bishops. Meet at St Bartholomews Church. 10am. Taking in the footpath towards Benton Hall and returning along the riverbank. Enquiries: 07960 168859. [www.fitsteps.org.uk](http://www.fitsteps.org.uk)

★ **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July**

Lunchtime Concert: The Watson Trio. United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 1pm. Violin voice and piano. Programme includes Three Folk Songs by McCabe, Vaughan Williams, 'Sit Nomen Domini' by Handel and 'Quia Respexit' by Bach. Enquiries: Martin Pollard 01621 858178

★ **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

Auditions for Maldon Pantomime. Town Hall. 7.30pm – 10pm. Enquiries: Roy Williamson 01621 892498 [secretary@mapspanto.org.uk](mailto:secretary@mapspanto.org.uk) or [www.mapspanto.org.uk](http://www.mapspanto.org.uk).

Maldon Flower Arrangement Club Patricia Bolton presents: 'Romance of the Season'. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. 7.30pm. Bring & buy stall, sales table, raffle and refreshments. Members competition – Garland of Roses. Visitors welcome, £4.50. Enquiries: Merie Keeble 01621 856354.

★ **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July**

Woodham Walter Flower Festival. Details to follow.

★ **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

Jazz Evening. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 7pm – 10pm. Enjoy jazz in the wonderful setting of the garden. Booking essential. Tickets £10. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

Music For A Summer's Evening. All Saints' Church, Purleigh. 7.30pm. A concert with the South Woodham Ferrers Male Voice Choir. Admission £7.50 (£7 for Friends of Purleigh Church), children £4 including refreshments. Enquiries: 01621 828031 or 01621 850739.

★ **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

Maldon Festival of Morris. Hythe Quay, Maldon (Sat) various venues including Prince of Wales, Stow Maries (Sun). 'Greenjackets' and 'Alive and Kicking' host invited morris sides to dance for the day on Saturday. Sunday's events are hosted by 'Dark Horse Border' at local venues.

Enquiries: Sylvie Bullen-Bell 01621 859614. [www.maldonmorris.org](http://www.maldonmorris.org)

★ **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

Sponsored Cycle Ride. Start from Chandlers Quay, the green. 10am. In aid of Cirdan Sailing Trust. Varying distances to suit, families, professionals and clubs. Enquiries: 01621 851433.

★ **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July**

LDN Wrestling. Maldon Town Hall. 7pm for 7.30pm. Enquiries: Tourist Information Centre 01621 856503.

★ **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July**

Auditions for Maldon Pantomime. Town Hall. 7.30pm – 10pm.

Enquiries: Roy Williamson 01621 892498 [secretary@mapspanto.org.uk](mailto:secretary@mapspanto.org.uk) or [www.mapspanto.org.uk](http://www.mapspanto.org.uk).

★ **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

Opera in the Orchard. Bouncers, Wickham Bishops. Two 1-act operas. 'I Pagliacci' and 'Not In front of the Waiter' also known as 'Under the Aspidistra'. Enquiries: Ann Bishop 01621 894112 [www.opera-in-the-orchard.co.uk](http://www.opera-in-the-orchard.co.uk)

★ **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

Maldon Choral Society present: 'HMS Pinafore' by Gilbert & Sullivan. United Reformed Church, Maldon. 7.30pm. Enquiries: [www.maldonchoralsociety.org.uk](http://www.maldonchoralsociety.org.uk)

★ **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

Children's Bug Hunt. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 12am – 3pm. A chance for children to explore the garden looking for bugs and beasties. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free.

Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July**

Auditions for Maldon Pantomime. Town Hall. 7.30pm – 10pm. Enquiries: Roy Williamson 01621 892498

[secretary@mapspanto.org.uk](mailto:secretary@mapspanto.org.uk) or [www.mapspanto.org.uk](http://www.mapspanto.org.uk).

★ **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July**

Wickham Bishops Club of Jazz. Wickham Bishops Village Hall. 8pm. Doors open 7pm. The Chicago Teddy Bears Jazz Society. Bring your own drinks and glasses. Enquiries: Derek 01621 892015 or Gordon 01621 891717.

Heybridge Regatta. Details to follow.

Summer Show. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. Maldon & Heybridge Horticultural Society. Vegetables, fruit. Flowers. Seed Swap, plant sale, raffle and shop.

Enquiries: Liz dunkin 01621 854371 [www.mhhs.co.uk](http://www.mhhs.co.uk)

★ **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July**

Embroidery, Patchwork & Quilting Exhibition. All Saints' Church, Purleigh. 2pm – 5pm (Sat), 12.30pm – 4.30pm (Sun). Demonstrations, sales and stalls. Afternoon teas. Ploughman's Lunches (Sunday only). Admission £2, children free. Enquiries: 01621 850739 or 01621 826988.

Tillingham Flower Show. Details to follow. Enquiries: Tony Pluckrose 01621 778938.

★ **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July**

Falconry Display. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 11am – 4pm. An opportunity to view birds of prey and watch flying demonstrations. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July**

Family Music Day. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 11am – 4pm. An opportunity to try a musical instrument or sit back and listen. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July**

Live Music. Andy Robinson Band. The Millbeach, Goldhanger Rd, Heybridge.  
Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/millbeach](http://www.myspace.com/millbeach)

## AUGUST 2009

★ **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August**

Maldon Carnival. Enquiries: John Haylock 01621 854248.

Live Music. Ard Luck. The Welcome, Fullbridge. Maldon. Enquiries: [www.myspace.com/ardluck](http://www.myspace.com/ardluck)

★ **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August**

Country Walk for the over 50's: Tollesbury Wick Nature Reserve. Meet West Square, Tollesbury. 10am. A six mile route past the marina and along the nature reserve. Enquiries: 07960 168859. [www.fitsteps.org.uk](http://www.fitsteps.org.uk)

★ **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August**

Mad Dogs & Englishmen present: 'Othello'. 7.30pm. Promenade Park Amphitheatre.

Enquiries and tickets: Maldon District T.I.C. 01621 856503.

Children's Bug Hunt. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 11am – 3pm. A chance for children to explore the garden looking for bugs and beasties. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free.

Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August**

Kite Weekend. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 10am - 4pm. Flying demonstrations, buggy rides and children's kite making workshops. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August**

Motorcycle Show. Museum of Power, Langford. 10am – 5pm. Classic and vintage motorcycles and equipment. Trade craft stalls, family entertainment, historic machinery and miniature steam train rides. Enquiries: 01621 843183 [www.museumofpower.org.uk](http://www.museumofpower.org.uk)

Family Farm Day. Layer Marney Tower near Colchester. 12 noon – 5pm. Tractors and farm machinery on display. Tractor rides and demonstrations. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

★ **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August**

Children's Bug Hunt. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 11am – 3pm. A chance for children to explore the garden looking for bugs and beasties. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free.

Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August**

Family Theatre Day. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 11am – 4pm. Belladonna and her Venus Flytrap dispense gardening tips whilst trying to find a morsel for her hungry pets. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free.

Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August**

Lunchtime Concert: Scintillo. United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 1pm. Colchester based string quartet performing a wide range of classical and romantic repertoires. Enquiries: Martin Pollard 01621 858178

★ **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August**

'It's Show Time'. Purleigh Halt, Baron's Lane. Enquiries: Tony Turner 01621 852336

Swing 'n' Sinatra. Maldon Town Hall. 7.30pm. Tickets £9.50 available from Tourist Information Centre.

Enquiries: Chris Smith 01582 766801.

Purleigh Church Tower Open. 2pm – 5.30pm. Spectacular views over the Essex countryside. Exhibitions, sales tables, crafts. Ploughman's lunches from 1pm. Admission to tower £2, accompanied children (over 8) free. Suitable footwear recommended. In aid of Purleigh Church. Enquiries: 01621 850739.

★ **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August**

Family Fun Day. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 10am – 4pm. Story telling, giant collage, entertainers, puppet shows and donkey rides. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August**

Falconry Display. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 11am – 4pm. An opportunity to see birds of prey and watch flying demonstrations. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August**

Family Teddy Bears' Picnic Day. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 11am – 4pm. Bring teddy and a picnic. Children's entertainers and garden games. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August**

LDN Wrestling. Maldon Town Hall. 7pm for 7.30pm. Enquiries: Tourist Information Centre 01621 856503. Family Art and Craft Day. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 11am – 4pm. A range of craft activities including Nature's Pictures. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

★ **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

Burnham Week. Enquiries: Wendy Eagling 01621 782009 [www.burnhamweek.org.uk](http://www.burnhamweek.org.uk)

★ **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August**

Charlotte's Web. Layer Marney Tower near Colchester. 6.30pm, gates open 6pm. A family production performed in the Garden by Theatreworks. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

★ **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> & Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August**

Steam Weekend. Mangapps Railway Museum. Burnham-on-Crouch.

Enquiries: 01621 784898 [www.mangapps.co.uk](http://www.mangapps.co.uk)

Quay Days. Burnham-on-Crouch. Enquiries: Diane Defontaine 01621 784962.

Charity Fashion Show and Sale. Layer Marney Tower near Colchester. 11am – 5pm. Vintage fashion show at 1pm and 3pm. Fun bin liner fashion competition with a catwalk finale at 4pm each day. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

## SEPTEMBER 2009

★ **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

Talk: 'Zeppelins over Southend'. United Reformed Church Hall, Maldon. 7.45pm. Talk by Ken Crowe on behalf of the Maldon Society.

★ **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

Little Totham Pro-Am Music Festival. Enquiries: Vivienne Smith 01621 891660

★ **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September**

English Wine Festival. New Hall Vineyards, Purleigh. 01621 828343 [www.newhallwines.co.uk](http://www.newhallwines.co.uk)

★ **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

Row 4 A Reason. Enquiries: Tina Cottis 01621 841976.

★ **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September**

American and Custom Car Show. Museum of Power, Langford. 10am – 5pm. Classic American and custom cars. Live music, trade and craft stalls, historic machinery and miniature train rides.

Enquiries: 01621 843183 [www.museumofpower.org.uk](http://www.museumofpower.org.uk)

★ **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September**

Lunchtime Concert: Daniel Law. United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 1pm. Piano soloist. Programme includes Brahms Rhapsody Op.79 No2 in G minor and Mendelssohn's Variations Serieuses – Op.54 in D Minor.

Enquiries: Martin Pollard 01621 858178.

Invitation to View – History. Layer Marney Tower near Colchester. 11am. Guided tour by the owners with refreshments. Tickets from Mercury Theatre 01206 573948. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

★ **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

Maldon Flower Arrangement Club. Christine Makings presents 'Story Book of Flowers'. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. 7.30pm. Bring & buy stall, sales table, raffle and refreshments. Members competition – A Story Book. Visitors welcome, £4.50. Enquiries: Merie Keeble 01621 856354.

★ **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

Quiz Night. West Maldon Community Centre, Sunbury Way. 8pm. Bring your own glass, drink and nibbles. £3 per person. Enquiries: Sue 01621 840951.

St Clare's Craft Circle Autumn Fayre. Maldon Town Hall. 10am. In aid of Farleigh hospice. Enquiries: 01621 857727.

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- ★ **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September**  
Heritage Open Days. Enquiries: [www.heritageopendays.org](http://www.heritageopendays.org)
- ★ **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September**  
Autumn Show. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. Maldon & Heybridge Horticultural Society. Vegetables, fruits, flowers pot plants. Seed Swap, plant sale, raffle and shop. £1 members, £2 non-members. Enquiries: Liz Dunkin 01621 854371 [www.mhhs.co.uk](http://www.mhhs.co.uk)
- ★ **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September**  
Maldon Regatta. Enquiries: Siobhan Dellamico 01621 892783 [www.mlsc.org.uk](http://www.mlsc.org.uk)
- ★ **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September**  
Patchwork & Quilting Exhibition. West Maldon Community Centre, Sunbury Way. Organised by Blackwater Quilters. Details to follow. Enquiries: Sue Benbow 01621 868610.
- ★ **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September**  
Burnham Illuminated Carnival Procession.  
Enquiries: John Randall 01621 783134 [www.burnham-carnival.co.uk](http://www.burnham-carnival.co.uk)  
Wickham Bishops Club of Jazz. Wickham Bishops Village Hall. 8pm. Doors open 7pm. Keith Nichols Little Devils. Bring your own drinks and glasses. Enquiries: Derek 01621 892015 or Gordon 01621 891717.
- ★ **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September**  
Northey Island Open Day. 2pm – 5pm. Admission free, donations welcome. Free parking and transport to the island for less able. Toilets and refreshments. No dogs or cycles. Funded by National Trust Enterprise Neptune. Enquiries: 01621 853142 [www.nationaltrust.org.uk](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk)
- ★ **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October**  
Maldon Art Trail. Enquiries: Tourist Information Centre 01621 856503.

## OCTOBER 2009

- ★ **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October**  
Lunchtime Concert: Antoine Mitchell and Jeremy Ballard. United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 1pm. Piano and violin. Haydn and Ravel. Enquiries: Martin Pollard 01621 858178.
- ★ **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October**  
Maldon Flower Arrangement Club. Linda Harman presents: 'Outside In'. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. 7.30pm. Bring & buy stall, sales table, raffle and refreshments. Members competition – 'Autumn Mist and Fruitfulness'. Visitors welcome, £4.50. Enquiries: Merie Keeble 01621 856354.
- ★ **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October**  
AGM Maldon & heybridge Horticultural Society. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. Tallest sunflower competition. Halloween Highlights. Seed Swap, plant sale, raffle and shop. £1 members, £2 non-members. Enquiries: Liz Dunkin 01621 854371 [www.mhhs.co.uk](http://www.mhhs.co.uk)
- ★ **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October**  
Wickham Bishops Club of Jazz. Wickham Bishops Village Hall. 8pm. Doors open 7pm. The Pete Allen Jazz Band. Bring your own drinks and glasses. Enquiries: Derek 01621 892015 or Gordon 01621 891717.
- ★ **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October**  
A Taste of Autumn. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 10am – 4pm. Harvest Festival season with displays, food stalls, children's activities and cookery demonstrations. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)
- ★ **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October**  
Lantern Tour. Layer Marney Tower near Colchester. 7.30pm. Explore the Tower and church at night. Warm up with a glass of mulled wine. Booking essential. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)
- ★ **Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October**  
Children's Pumpkin Carving. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 11am – 3pm. Bring your own or buy a pumpkin and create faces and patterns. Fancy dress optional. Adults £5.50, children £2, RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org.uk](http://www.rhs.org.uk)

## NOVEMBER 2009

- ★ **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November**  
Blackwater Marathon. Details to follow.  
Mind, Body & Soul Charity Exhibition for Kidney Research. Layer Marney Tower near Colchester. 12 noon – 5pm. Stalls, therapists, mediums, clairvoyants and more. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)
- ★ **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**  
Country Walk for the over 50's: Beeleigh Falls. Meet at fisherman's car park via Maldon Golf Club, Langford. 10am. A five mile walk along the towpath to Hoe Mills Bridge. Enquiries: 07960 168859. [www.fitsteps.org.uk](http://www.fitsteps.org.uk)  
Invitation to View – Evening Tour. Layer Marney Tower near Colchester. 7pm. Guided tour by the owners with refreshments. Tickets from Mercury Theatre 01206 573948.  
Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)
- ★ **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November**  
Guy Fawkes Night Bonfire and Firework Display. Enquiries: Tourist Information Centre 01621 856503.  
Rural Crafts Day. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 10am – 3pm. A celebration of rural crafts including hedge laying, charcoal burning, willow weaving, blacksmithing, wood turning and bee keeping. Adults £5.50, child £2 RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org](http://www.rhs.org)
- ★ **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November**  
Maldon Flower Arrangement Club Gala Evening. Plume School. 7.30pm. Janet Hayton presents; 'Glad tidings'. Bring & buy stall, sales table, raffle and refreshments. Visitors welcome, £4.50.  
Enquiries: Merie Keeble 01621 856354.
- ★ **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November**  
Lunchtime Concert: Fiona Hill. United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 1pm. Clarinet/Saxophone playing English music spanning three centuries. Enquiries: Martin Pollard 01621 858178
- ★ **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November**  
Wickham Bishops Club of Jazz. Wickham Bishops Village Hall. 8pm. Doors open 7pm. The alan Gresty/Brian White Ragtimers with Special Guest. Bring your own drinks and glasses.  
Enquiries: Derek 01621 892015 or Gordon 01621 891717.
- ★ **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November**  
Talk: 'Marks Hall Arboretum' by Jonathan Dukes. United Reformed Church Hall, Market Hill. Maldon & Heybridge Horticultural Society. Seed Swap, plant sale, raffle and shop. £1 members, £2 non-members. Enquiries: Liz Dunkin 01621 854371 [www.mhhs.co.uk](http://www.mhhs.co.uk)
- ★ **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November**  
Quiz Night. West Maldon Community Centre, Sunbury Way. 8pm. Bring your own glass, drink and nibbles. £3 per person. Enquiries: Sue 01621 840951.  
Christmas Fayre. Plantation Hall Heybridge. 2.30pm. St Clare's Craft Circle In aid of Farleigh hospice.  
Enquiries: 01621 857727.
- ★ **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November**  
Late Night Shopping Evening. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. Until 9pm. Stock up on gifts and plants.  
Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org](http://www.rhs.org)

## DECEMBER 2009

- ★ **Thursdays 3<sup>rd</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> December**  
Victorian Shopping Evenings. Enquiries: Tourist Information Centre 01621 856503.
- ★ **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**  
Late Night Shopping Evening. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. Until 9pm. Stock up on gifts and plants.  
Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org](http://www.rhs.org)
- ★ **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December**  
Christmas Craft Fair. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 10am – 3pm. The guild of Essex Craftsmen present a quality craft fair. Adults £5.50, child £2 RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org](http://www.rhs.org)
- ★ **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December**  
Santa Special day at the Museum of Power, Hatfield Road, Langford. Train rides to Santa's Grotto (pre-booked tickets required). Enquiries: 01621 843183. [www.museumofpower.org.uk](http://www.museumofpower.org.uk)

★ **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

Christmas Fair. Museum of Power, Langford. 10am – 4pm. Christmas fair with Santa, charity decorated Christmas trees, craft stalls and music, historic machinery and miniature train rides.

Enquiries: 01621 843183 [www.museumofpower.org.uk](http://www.museumofpower.org.uk)

★ **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

Country Walk for the over 50's: Christmas Walk in Burnham. Meet at Millfields. 10am. A five mile walk via the sea wall to Marsh Road finishing with tea and mince pies at a local venue.

Enquiries: 07960 168859. [www.fitsteps.org.uk](http://www.fitsteps.org.uk)

★ **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

St Agnes Fountain Concert. Maldon Town Hall. Acoustic carols for Christmas.

Enquiries: Tourist Information Centre 01621 856503. [www.stagnesfountain.co.uk](http://www.stagnesfountain.co.uk)

★ **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

Lunchtime Concert: Megan Hill, Ben Markham and Paul Johnson United Reformed Church, Market Hill. 1pm. Violin, piano and organ/flute. Young musicians playing a selection of their studies and favourite pieces.

Enquiries: Martin Pollard 01621 858178

★ **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Wickham Bishops Club of Jazz. Wickham Bishops Village Hall. 8pm. Doors open 7pm. The Keith Nichols All Stars. Bring your own drinks and glasses. Enquiries: Derek 01621 892015 or Gordon 01621 891717.

The Magic of Christmas. RHS Garden Hyde Hall. 10am – 3pm. Listen to Christmas tales and make your own natural tree decorations. Hot chestnuts, music, flower arranging demonstrations and donkeys. . Adults £5.50, child £2 RHS members free. Enquiries: 01245 400256 [www.rhs.org](http://www.rhs.org)

★ **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Nativity in the Barn. Layer Marney Tower near Colchester. 3.30pm – 5pm. Story telling, carols, mulled wine, mince pies and a visit from Father Christmas. Enquiries: 01206 330784 [www.layermarneytower.co.uk](http://www.layermarneytower.co.uk)

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## JANUARY 2010

★ **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January**

Sponsored Rowing Race. Hythe Quay. Enquiries: Maldon Little Ship Club 01621 854139 [www.mlsc.org.uk](http://www.mlsc.org.uk)

★ **Fridays 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> January, Saturdays 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> January, Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January.**

Maldon Pantomime. 7.30pm Friday. 2.30pm & 7.30pm Saturday.

Enquiries: Roy Williamson 01621 892498 [secretary@mapspanto.org.uk](mailto:secretary@mapspanto.org.uk) or [www.mapspanto.org.uk](http://www.mapspanto.org.uk).

## SEPTEMBER 2010

★ **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

(Provisional Date) Maldon Regatta. Enquiries: Siobhan Dellamico 01621 892783.