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## EDITORIAL

This year we approach the Yomim Noraim with a sense of disorientation and trepidation. In previous years, we confidently made plans on how we would celebrate the Festivals – perhaps with family and friends, here in Bournemouth, maybe in other parts of the country, perhaps abroad. However, this year we have been hesitant to make plans as with the fluidity of the Covid virus situation there is a feeling of uncertainty of them coming to fruition.

Perhaps this should be the way we approach Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur- hesitating, thinking about the future as we consider our past deeds and how we will be judged, and how we could improve ourselves morally and spiritually.

How long the “new normal” will continue none of us knows, but we hope our prayers will be answered so that our lives can begin to return to the old normal. However it is to be hoped that the communal spirit which has prevailed over the past months will continue and the BHC will retain the strength it found to overcome the many obstacles during this time.

Mazaltov on being awarded a well-deserved honour to our Chatanim and Neshei Chayil. May your work on behalf of the Community continue to be an inspiration to others.

*We wish Rabbi and Mrs Jesner and the Community good health and happiness in the New Year, and peace to all Israel.*

CORINNE REIN - Editor

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT ROSH HASHANAH 2020



As I look back over the last few months, I cannot quite believe what we have all been through, what we learned to do, to live with, and more importantly, to live without. Many of you have been shielding, for some, relationships have been tested, and others have been enhanced. Those living on their own had to find ways of coping with the loneliness of isolation, whilst others struggled with the pressure of parenting young children, home schooling, and trying to work from home.

Sadly, there are those who caught the dreaded virus and had to cope first-hand with its assault on their bodies and their spirits. Some of us have lost loved ones during this time – and even though they may not necessarily have died from the virus, we could not come together as families and as a community, to say goodbye, to say Kaddish, or hold and comfort each other at this time of loss.

Nations united in weekly admiration and appreciation, as did we in the UK, for our NHS heroes and essential workers, who continued to care selflessly; staffing our hospitals, policing our streets, ensuring our supermarkets were stocked, delivering our food, taking risks so we could remain safe.

As measures are eased, serious concerns regarding the impact of lockdown on mental health and social well-being emerge; GPs are seeing increasing numbers of youngsters experiencing mental health issues, compounded for some by the stress of the exam results fiasco. The elderly, and many of those who have been shielding, are fearful as they emerge from isolation to a “new normal” of mask wearing, sanitising and social distancing. As we stroll along the East Cliff and look out over Bournemouth Bay at the cruise ships idling there, we recall a previous life.

Human beings are incredibly resilient creatures. We learnt to cope, we adjusted our expectations, and we looked for ways to help others. We switched all our shul services online within days, and introduced a programme of Zoom events, BHC live, not only replacing our normal activities but enhancing them. In the process we have watched BHC members in their 80s, 90s and older conquer zoom and YouTube!

We have remained strong as a community, we have worked together, supported one another, with our amazing BHC team remaining active throughout the lockdown. From the newly formed executive committee who barely had time to get used to their new responsibilities, who took on the additional role as Chessed telephone buddies, to the Shul Shop ladies and gentlemen, who have reorganised and restocked our shop, supplying all our needs. From those who continued to maintain Throop cemetery, so that despite the Government restrictions, funerals could take place in a dignified manner, to all those who ensure the smooth running of our shul. All have played their part in caring for all of us.

We have adopted a cautious approach to restarting services, commencing with Minchah and Maariv two weeks ago, and this morning I attended our first Shacharit service. The strict social distancing measures and sanitising we have put in place are being observed, and those who wish are able to pray together and say Kaddish once more. On September 5th we will be holding our first Shabbat service, and we are hopeful that, as we prepare for the Yomim Noraim, services will once again be held in our beautiful Shul: re-establishing the habit of attending shul services amongst congregants is proving to be a challenge worldwide.

In the month of Elul, as we approach the Yomim Noraim, it is traditional to begin a process of introspection, Cheshbon Hanefesh, the accounting of the soul, where we examine what we have done, how we have succeeded in living the life we want to live, where we have missed the mark and therefore wish to change.

As we prepare for the High Holy Days that begin on the first of the month of Tishrei we move through a time of contemplation, of Teshuvah.

Teshuvah is often translated as repentance, but it is also a time of renewal. We turn from our routine, look within, and imagine new possibilities, new beginnings. We can recreate ourselves and the relationships we have with others, and work toward transforming the world into a better, kinder place.

As we move into the Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services, we gather together for a communal confession, aware that we are imperfect and broken, and conscious of our mortality, uncertain who shall live and who shall die in the year ahead.

This year the events of the past months have brought the uncertainty and fragility of life into sharper focus, we have had time to question our pre-Covid lives, examine our values and reset our moral compasses. We were relieved that the British public rejected an antisemitic Labour party, we recoiled at the senseless killing of George Floyd by a Minneapolis police officer, and more recently, we have been saddened by the plight of migrants fleeing war torn homelands, arriving on our shores, risking death for a better life.

Wherever and whenever injustice is perpetrated, Jewish tradition teaches us that we should stand up for what is right and support those who are treated unjustly. As a people who have experienced violence throughout our history; it is imperative that we stand up against racial injustice.

Our community has been tested, but even without being able to gather in shul for communal prayer, our faith has sustained us. We have adapted to a new normal, shared on-line experiences, celebrated festivals and special occasions together, shared our grief, cared for, and supported each other. This Rosh Hashanah let us commit to make every moment count and as we return to shul services, ensure a daily minyan is a certainty and not an exception. Let us work together to understand how we can help transform BHC into an even more vibrant community: a place where everyone feels welcome and supported, and where we can give even more to our Kehilah and the wider world.

I owe a debt of gratitude for the support given to me by Rabbi and Rebbetzin Jesner, the Trustees, and life President, my superb Vice President Eric Kurt, and the Executive Committee, but most of all to you the members of BHC for giving me the honour of serving you during this challenging time.

Lastly, I would like to wish Mazal Tov to our Neshei Chayil and our Chatanim who richly deserve this recognition.

May the coming year bring the sound of joy, and may our love of Judaism, Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation and of Israel unite us all as a family, a community, and a people.

Harvey and I wish you all **כתיבה וחתימה טובה**  
*Shana Tova U'Metuka*

Dr Josie Lipsith

# A ROSH HASHANAH MESSAGE 5782 FROM CHIEF RABBI MIRVIS



As I reflect on an extraordinary year, my first thoughts are with those whose lives were tragically cut short by the Coronavirus. May their memories be for a blessing and may their families find comfort in their sad loss.

My heart goes out to the many whose health, whether physical or mental, has been affected and to those who are facing severe financial hardship or crises in their personal relationships. The restrictions on social interaction, abrupt changes to our routine and the grip of deep uncertainty have dramatically impacted the fabric of all of our lives in ways that we could never have imagined.

In the years to come, while many will admirably recall our resilience and forbearance during these most trying of times, ultimately the success of our response to this Pandemic will be judged not by how we felt, but by how we acted.

The Torah portion of Nitzavim, which is always read immediately prior to Rosh Hashanah, commences with these words: "You are all standing this day before the Lord your God; your heads, your tribes (shivtechem), your elders and your officers".

In this list of national leaders, 'tribes' appears to be out of place. Mindful of the fact that 'shevet' also means 'staff' or 'sceptre', our commentators explain that the leaders of our people are being referred to according to the item that they carried that symbolised their role. In the same way as 'the Crown' refers to the monarch and 'First Violin' refers to an orchestra's lead musician, a person who leads is known by the instrument of that leadership.

The message that emerges is extremely powerful. You are defined by what you do. The essence of a person is measured according to what they have achieved.

For this reason, we call community leaders 'machers' (makers). 'Macher' is a role that conveys respect, because the people who change the world are not the dreamers and thinkers; the people who change the world are the 'doers'.

On Yom Kippur, we read the book of Jonah, in which the prophet informs the inhabitants of Nineveh of their impending doom.

In response, they fast and repent for their evil ways. The text captures that epic event in just a few words: "God saw their deeds". Their words of apology and their fasting were merely steps towards a life-changing moment. What concerned God was not their protestations, but their actions.

This year, without any preparation whatsoever, every one of our communities was plunged into a crisis of unprecedented proportions.

Your response has been simply magnificent. With our Shuls closed, our communities redoubled their creativity and their altruism. We have never known such an outpouring of compassion, such acts of selfless care for the vulnerable and such generosity in charitable giving.

I have no doubt that such action will remain at the heart of our Covid-19 response for as long as it takes us to overcome the dangers it presents to all of humankind.

As we commence 5781, may Hashem inscribe and seal each and every one of us in the Book of Life, good health, peace and fulfilment.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ephraim Mirvis". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis  
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# RABBI ADRIAN JESNER'S ROSH HASHANAH MESSAGE



**M**y dear Congregants, as I put pen to paper, I am reminded of a television programme that took place every Motzei Shabbat (Saturday evening).

The programme in question was "TWTWTW" "That Was The Week That Was". It was a satirical take on events of that week. Now, fifty years later, I can honestly say that 5780 is "That Was The Year That Was"!

We started the year with a certain amount of trepidation regarding the upcoming General Election. I even made a blessing from the pulpit to thank Hashem for delivering us from the clutches of a Labour victory, to a whopping Conservative one of over 80 seats.

As Purim approached, we all heard about a virus in China called Coronavirus of Covid-19, but it was far away and didn't affect us in any way.....or so we thought. Then the Government ordered the schools to close and put everyone in "lockdown" on Tuesday 17th March. Shul services were no more.

For me, it was a very strange and unsettling sensation, not going through my usual Shabbat routine, joining with the Congregation in prayer, meeting people at the Kiddush, socialising and being face to face with the Congregation; I'm sure many of you have felt the same. On Friday the 20th / Saturday 21st March (Parshat Vayakhel – Pekudei) we began conducting (pre Shabbat) Friday evening services and (post Shabbat) Motzei Shabbat services on "Zoom".

Until then, I had always understood "Zoom" to be hand cream which I have used for years! But now, having been brought into the 21st century, learning this method of communication has enabled me to keep in contact in live time, face to face, with a Bar Mitzvah boy in Italy and with my grandson in London. "Zoom" has allowed me to connect with the community in my Saturday night chats after Bernie Dexter's Havdalah, give sermons and hold services. The community has been able to remain connected with each other through the numerous activities that have been moved on to the "Zoom" platform, and I'm sure that we are all grateful to those that have been involved in making this possible.

For those of you who have suffered bereavement over the last 6 or so months, it has been particularly challenging, with virtual Shiva houses springing up and people from all around the world connecting with each other to give comfort and consolation.

The President and I agreed a modus operandi regarding the resumption of services in Shul, with a cautious approach being taken. We started with Mincha and Maariv on Sunday 2nd August and on the 16th August we opened for morning services, in order to

slowly acclimatise people to the surroundings and make them feel safe and to encourage them to come back to the Shul.

We also sent out a questionnaire to ask you how we can make Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur more meaningful and suit your needs! You are our priority. Please fill this out so that we can help make the coming Yomim Noraim a comfortable, meaningful and safe environment for you.

Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur will be totally different from anything that we have experienced before. We will be creating a Yom Tov atmosphere; actual services will happen in a safe and secure environment. Those unable to attend will be able to experience the traditional, hallowed services of the Yomim Noraim through "Zoom" services, where possible. This will include a "Zoom" service on Kol Nidrei afternoon, prior to the Fast, to allow the atmosphere of Yom Kippur to permeate your homes.

The service will incorporate the "Prayer for the Royal Family", and those for the "The State of Israel", the "I.D.F." as well as the "Refuah Shlema" list, the "Yahrzeit" list and a comprehensive "Yizkor" service, allowing many of you who are unable to come to Shul to feel part of the Congregation.

We say in the prayers throughout the Aseret Yimay Teshuva "Aveenu Malkaynu Mina Magaefa Menachalecha" "Please G-d remove the plague for your heritage"; so relevant for us as we pray a vaccine will be found and remove the dread of Covid -19 from our lives.

I will conclude with the blessing of "Yihee Ratzon Milfanecha" – "May it be your will" "Hashem Elokeynu Velcohay Avotaynu"- "Oh Lord our G-d and G-d of our forefathers" "Sheh Tehiy Hashana Hazot" "That this year should be a blessing for us and our families, a year of comfort for the bereaved, and may we once again raise our glass of wine at Kiddush with the words "Boray Peri Hagefen". The letters of the word "Gefen" stand for three words: the "Gimmel" stands for "Gezunt" (health), the "Pey" stands for "Parnasa" (a living) and the "Nun" stands for "Nachas" "from our children and grandchildren.

*Pamela joins me in wishing the President, Executive, Trustees, the Office staff and the whole Congregation Shana Tova and "Ketiva V'Chatima Tova".*



## **ROSH HASHANAH MESSAGE**

### **President Marie van der Zyl**

This has been a year like no other. The global pandemic has affected life more in a short space of time than any other event in peace time.

Of course, the effects have been experienced worldwide with hundreds of thousands dead and millions more badly affected by this virulent virus. We are a small community but we have been hit heavily.

Sadly, our death rate has been more than double that of the general community and we have lost some wonderful people since March, taken from us way before their time.

It has been a time to mourn but also a time to act. The Board of Deputies lobbied hard to ensure that local councils could not cremate bodies without first consulting with the families of the deceased. This was a fine example of collaboration between Jews and Muslims who shared the same concerns.

We collaborated closely with other community organisations to ensure that UK Jews are received all the help and information possible in the emergency, using all of our resources for the benefit of those affected. We collated a document bringing together all of the special guidelines for Passover this year and devised a card for members of the community to print off, fill out and post through the letter box to neighbours, letting members of the local community know that people are available do a food shop or even just to speak to someone on the phone who is self-isolating. No less importantly, our team has had the sad but necessary duty of collating the deaths we have endured so that we have an accurate record.

Last year, we were in the midst of Labour's antisemitism crisis. Twelve months on and Labour are, in the words of new leader Sir Keir Starmer, "under new management". We set out our Ten Pledges on anti-Jewish racism in January and they were enthusiastically adopted by the new leadership team.

The progress we have seen is very encouraging. The scourge of antisemitism has not disappeared from the Labour Party but the determination to address it and take action where it is needed, as in the case of the sacking of Rebecca Long-Bailey, gives all of us reason to be optimistic after a dark few years.

Even Coronavirus could not completely overshadow the worldwide movement which developed rapidly in response to the racist murder of George Floyd. We in the Jewish community felt we needed to

formulate our own initiative. The result is the Board of Deputies' Commission on Racial Inclusivity in the Jewish Community which is being chaired by distinguished journalist Stephen Bush. We need to make sure that we are accepting of people of all backgrounds and I look forward to making progress on this most important of issues.

Those who know the Board of Deputies will understand we work on a diverse set of issues – indeed so much that it is impossible to list everything in a short message.

We exist to ensure that the UK's Jewish community can live freely, happily and continue to practise our traditions.

We are passionate about protecting our religious freedoms, whether the right to circumcise our baby boys in accordance with our tradition or to ensure that employees are able to take time off for Jewish festivals and follow their Jewish traditions within the law.

Our interfaith activities have certainly made the news – for example our support for the Chinese Uyghur Muslims currently suffering oppression in China, has raised awareness of the problems

Through Pikuach, we supervise religious education in Jewish schools, and, pandemic permitting, we travel the country with the Jewish Living Experience exhibition, educating non-Jewish children and adults about our way of life.

We engage with Government ministers, MPs, local councillors, diplomats, faith leaders and with a huge variety of public bodies on behalf of the community we represent.

We can only do this work with the help of communities across the UK, so I thank you for all the support that you all give. Let's hope the New Year truly does bring health and happiness to all of us.

*Shana Tovah.*



# MAZAL TOV TO OUR CHATAN TORAH



## Mahir Ozdamar

I was born in Ankara, the capital city of Turkey. I am the oldest of three siblings. My parents, having started from very humble beginnings, owned their own shops selling children's clothes and school uniforms.



beating the mighty IBM to the contract.

In 1979 we decided to relocate to the UK, with Anne expecting our first child. I was fortunate to be offered a job with Plessey in Poole, working on the System X project. The firm was part of a consortium of companies developing digital telephone exchanges for British Telecom and they were interested in my experience with the Tadiran system mentioned above. Over the next 16 years

Thanks to their hard work, my sisters and I enjoyed a privileged upbringing. We went to the best school in town and my parents eventually bought a flat in the most prestigious part of town, not far from the Presidential palace.

I worked on various different parts of the System X project. It was an exciting time developing cutting-edge electronic systems. Being a research and development group, we were always looking for new and patentable ideas; I have some patents to my name from that time.

In the 1950s there were some 1500 Jews living in Ankara. In the 1960s and 70s most of them had moved either to Istanbul or to Israel. Today there are less than 10 Jews left, excluding the Israeli Embassy staff. Growing up in a predominantly Muslim country, we knew we were different but we did not feel uncomfortable.

In the late 90s I was instrumental in Marconi buying an Israeli start-up and we spent several months living in Israel whilst we further developed the product and exported it all over the world. In 2002 Marconi ran into financial problems and wanted to close down the operation in Israel. I was able to sell it to an American company and I joined them to ensure the future success of the Israeli operation.

Most of my school friends were Muslims and we remain good friends to this day. Unlike today, we did not experience antisemitism or hatred of Israel; On the contrary, people admired the little, plucky Israel and saw it as a role model.

I am pleased that the company, which is based in Airport City, is still going from strength to strength. This one venture alone resulted in more than \$150m inward investment in Israeli hi-tech and resulted in many millions of dollars of exports, thus securing well-paid jobs for hundreds of Israeli families.

After high school, I went to Middle East Technical University, one of the best universities in the country, to study Physics. After completing the 4-year course I was accepted to Tel Aviv University for post graduate studies in 'particle physics', a branch of physics which concerns itself with the behaviour of sub-atomic particles. Anne and I met during a 1973 New Year party in Tel Aviv at a mutual friend's flat and we got married in the synagogue in Ankara in 1974.

We joined the BHC soon after we moved to the area. I remember my first encounter with Rev Israel Cohen z"l in Shul. He asked me who I was and what I did for a living. Having heard that I worked for Plessey, he said that he was an 'investor' in the company. Our daughters Karen and Liza went first to Yavneh then to Cheder at BHC where Anne taught for many years, which I am sure she will mention in her article. We are grateful for the warm welcome we were given when we became part of BHC.

For the next 5 years we lived in Ankara. I started working in the industry, promoting Israeli companies in Turkey and Anne worked for a prestigious firm of architects. During this time we had some notable successes, selling Israeli military technology to the Turkish Armed Forces during the invasion of Northern Cyprus, and selling Tadiran's computerised Directory Enquiry system to the Turkish Post Office

It has to be said that during the first 25 years of our membership of BHC my involvement was minimal; I was too busy working hard and travelling the world. This changed when I joined the Executive Committee in 2012 with the task of developing the Shul website which is still going strong after 8 years. Then in 2016 after I

retired Ivor persuaded me to stand for the Executive which I was happy to do. It was a privilege to serve the Congregation first as Vice President and then as President. During this time I was fortunate to work closely with Harry Ellis z"l and John Kasmir z"l and benefitted from their experience and wisdom. I am grateful to Rabbi Jesner and Rev Barry Sklan, the trustees, Brian Lassman, Josie Lipsith, the Shul staff and the many volunteers for their support and teamwork during those 4 years.

In 2019 I was privileged to have been elected as the third trustee of the Congregation to join Stephen White and Ivor Weintraub. Without doubt the last few years have given me one of the most outstanding experiences of my life and I look forward to continuing to serve the Congregation in the challenging years ahead.

Throughout my life there have been two things that have stood above all else, my family and my love for Israel. We are proud of the achievements of our daughters Karen and Liza, who have done extremely well for themselves, Karen as a lawyer and Liza as an economist. They have gone on to create their own loving family units with their respective husbands Dan and Gavin. And of course we are proud of our four wonderful grandchildren

Harry, Georgiana, Jacob and Elana who have brought so much joy to our lives. We are fortunate that our family here in the UK get on extremely well with my sisters' families in Israel and Israel is the 'Number 1' holiday destination of choice for us all.

I consider myself to have lived a fortunate life. I have had loving parents and have two wonderful sisters, good friends, a great family of my own and above all an exceptional partner in Anne. She is the rock upon which our family is built. Whatever little I have accomplished would not have happened without her, for which I am truly grateful.

The last few months have been unlike anything else I have experienced in my lifetime. The Coronavirus pandemic has changed our world and will continue to do so for some time to come. No one knows what the new normal is or will be. I want to commend the Executive for doing a terrific job under difficult circumstances and wish them well for the future.

*I would like to thank the Executive for giving me this honour and I congratulate the other honourees. Anne and I wish the entire Congregation a Happy, Healthy and Peaceful New year and well over the Fast.*

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# MAZAL TOV TO OUR CHATAN BEREISHIT-



## David Linz



**I am a relative newcomer to Bournemouth, having retired here from Birmingham in June 2018.**

I was born in Birmingham in 1950, the eldest of two sons to Zena and Jos Linz, who were both born in Birmingham. My mother is still living there in Jewish sheltered housing. She is very active for her age and until lockdown, enjoyed her regular visits to Bournemouth. Hopefully not too long until she comes again.

My education was initially at what was then the Birmingham Hebrew School, now known as the King David School. I then went to a local comprehensive school where I was the only boy to choose domestic science. At 15 I left school to do an apprenticeship in baking with a Day Release course at the College of Food.

My baking career progressed to working in various small bakeries, including a kosher bakery in Leeds, where I mastered the art of challahs and bagels.

The highlight of this job was serving the old Leeds United players such as Billy Bremner with hot bagels on a Saturday night.

My ambition was to have my own bakery and the opportunity came for me to take a franchise on what was known as a hot bread kitchen, a speciality being doughnuts. This was in the days before in-store bakeries and when people still looked for a bakery rather than the supermarket.

In 1998 I was given the chance to give up the unsociable hours of baking and join a family business, managing a school uniform shop. A big career change, but I enjoyed the challenge and stayed until retirement.

I have always been a keen table tennis player, playing at league level for a Jewish team since the age of 15. This team is associated with a social group that is part of the Grand Order of Israel Friendly Society. As well as playing table tennis for them, I was an active committee member.

It was in fact through this group that I met my wife, Lynne, when she moved from Leeds to Birmingham with her family at the age of 16.

She had already met Coreen and Tony Rose, Tony being the younger brother of my mother, Zena. I was instructed by them that I had to ask Lynne to dance. I had to obey my uncle and aunt and the rest is history. We have been married for 48 years and have two children and five grandchildren.

I have enjoyed participating in community activities since moving to Bournemouth, but due to family illness last year and then Lynne fracturing her hip, I had to temporarily step down. Now all is good and I hope that I can continue to contribute to the Bournemouth community for many years to come.

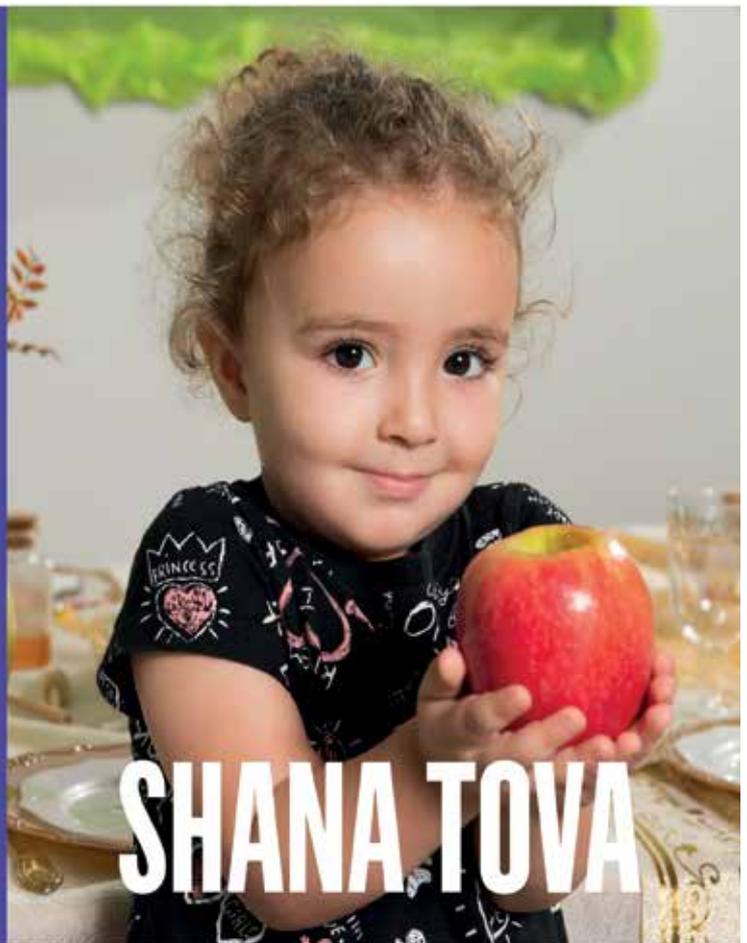
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# MAZAL TOV TO OUR ESHET CHAYIL



## Anne Ozdamar

**S**ussex born and bred, I studied architecture in Bristol and London, graduating in 1972.

I met Mahir when I was working for Israeli architect Ram Karmi in Tel Aviv, most notably working on the drawings for the Faculty of Humanities and the Hecht Synagogue of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem Mount Scopus campus. We married in 1974 and lived in Turkey for 5 years before settling in Bournemouth, where our two daughters Karen and Liza were raised, where our four grandchildren love to come and visit, and where BHC has been an integral part of our lives.

At the same time as continuing my architectural career, I taught in the reception class at Cheder for 10 years between 1986 and 1996. I have also been an active member of the local Emunah committee since the inception of Golda Emunah in 1990, playing my part in organising our annual Chanukah Bazaars, perennial Teddy Bear stalls and countless other functions. Since 2004 I participated in regular sponsored walks, culminating (do I really want to use that word? – was it destined to be the last one?) last year in the Yam le Yam challenge in Galilee; through these walks I have personally raised in excess of £16K for Emunah.

Whilst a novice learning CAD drawing for work, I was encouraged (thanks to Rosamunde Bloom!) to prepare a drawing of the burial plots at Throop Cemetery for use in the Shul Office; this was followed eventually with plans of the other cemeteries. And as I learnt to master Excel spreadsheets, the rather dog eared 100 year old BHC Interment ledger beckoned (thanks again Rosamunde!). Of course, being a perfectionist I couldn't leave any discrepancies between the plans and the ledger unresolved, leading to years of fascinating trawling through graveyard headstone inscriptions and old Shul notebooks, as I became a self-appointed archivist to the Congregation. I am currently working towards ensuring that all those buried in our cemeteries in unmarked graves are remembered with an inscribed headstone. I am also involved in the preliminary planning for Throop Phase 2.

My role as archivist was further enhanced when I researched the evolution of the Wootton Gardens building complex, whilst preparing an article for inclusion in the BHC Centenary book published in 2005; this work included the rediscovery of the original planning drawings found in the Council archives, which of course led to the preparation of a set of CAD plans of the Shul, and which are in regular use in many ongoing discussions. The recent



Grade II Listing of our Prayer Hall brought the building to the attention of the wider public; last September, I was asked to prepare a presentation for a tour during Dorset Architectural Heritage Week, which proved so popular that the organisers have asked us to repeat it in the future.

During Mahir's recent 4 years in office as Vice President and President, and now one

of the trustees, I have been active not only in supporting him and preparing the minutes of Executive Committee meetings, but in my own right on the Executive Committee, responsible for Membership and currently for House, overseeing the upkeep and smooth running of the Shul properties. I count my blessings at my good fortune in having Mahir not only as a life partner but as someone to turn to for wise advice. We have witnessed the activities of the Congregation evolve over the years to suit the needs of the changing demographics; this year especially is proving particularly challenging due to Covid-19.

Josie and Eric are to be congratulated for their strong leadership during this time, and in particular for the evolution of the Chesed buddy initiative and the introduction of Zoom prayer services, meetings, learning etc. which have not only served to keep all our members connected, but have been welcomed for reaching out to many of those who previously felt isolated. As we approach the festival of Sukkot, the arba minim remind us that we can only be strong when bound together; each one of us has different talents and strengths – let us all continue to use these to ensure that our kehillah goes from strength to strength as we face an uncertain future together.

Our time in office has brought home to me just how many of our congregants are actively involved in all aspects of running the Shul, whether in prominent positions or behind the scenes. Whilst accepting this honour of Eshet Chayil in recognition of my own efforts, I would especially like to pay tribute to all those members who work tirelessly behind the scenes but who decline public recognition – you know who you are! We cannot celebrate as usual this year with the traditional kiddush and Simchat Torah lunch with all our extended family and friends; we cannot welcome our children back into the Shul where they grew up, or our grandchildren into the Shul that they too have grown to love.

*However, we can extend our good wishes to every member of our Congregation for a happy, healthy and peaceful and inclusive New Year.*



# MAZAL TOV TO OUR ESHET CHAYIL



## Audrey Samuels

I would like to say firstly that I am the sort of person who is more comfortable working quietly in the background without any fuss and just getting on with the job

I do not make speeches, so having this honour bestowed on me under these surreal circumstances suits me very well!

Life for me started in Slough, Bucks with my parents and brother. My parents were, like many others, very hard working people. My father worked nights at Mars factory whilst, during the day, building up a business as a "Talley man".

My mother started off working at the Hounsditch Warehouse in the East End of London and when my parents moved to Slough she worked in the fashion department of a large high street departmental store. My mother had a gift for fashion and sales; she really could sell snow to an Eskimo. Career focused, she progressed up the ladder of success and became the fashion buyer for all 7 stores of the departmental store and my dad built up an exceptionally good business, enabling him to give up work at Mars.

They both worked hard all their lives to provide a good life for my brother and myself and taught us good work ethics.

My brother and I were chalk and cheese. He was a loveable, gentle person who won a scholarship to a private school. He hated it there and left to take up accountancy. I was the rogue tom boy.

My parents wanted us to have a good Jewish upbringing in an area with a strong Jewish community, so we moved to Kenton, Middlesex, where, for a short while I attended the local secondary school and then, at the age of 14, went to Pitmans College, Wembley.

On leaving Pitmans at the age of 16, I worked in various fields of the entertainment business, meeting and working with many interesting people. It was an exciting time in the 60s and 70s, travelling the country and the States but it was a demanding 24/7 job and I gave it up after about 15 years.

I met Stuart in 1977 through a single, separated and divorce group set up by Rev. Geoffrey Shishler at Kenton shul - I was single and Stuart was divorced with two boys. Stuart and I became firm friends before actually getting together on August bank holiday 1979 and married in the December of 1979 - we just knew it was right. Our wedding was planned and done within 7 weeks at Kenton Shul and The Grosvenor Rooms in Willesden and, no, it was not a shot gun wedding!

By now I was working for solicitors in Wealdstone, Harrow. I started there in 1977 and actually left after 34 years in 2011, when Stuart and I moved to Bournemouth. Through



my secretarial skills, I went on to have my own case files in conveyancing and worked on Lasting Powers of Attorney (LPA's), as well as being office manager.

Stuart and I have a son Robert (married to Alex) and daughter Rachel (married to John). Stuart also has two sons by a previous marriage, Darren (married to Lisa) and Garry (married to Elizabeth). Darren has two girls, Emily and Alice. From Robert and Rachel we have 2 grandsons (Eli aged 5 and

Jack aged 4) and a granddaughter (Willow aged 1) who, as those who know me know, are the loves of my life!

When we moved to Bournemouth, with no intention of working, I was asked to work a couple of days a week for the Reform Shul for maternity cover, which I did till September 2012. Again, having no conscious intention of working, a friend phoned me one day and said they were at their solicitors and the company were advertising a part time position for someone to help with Wills and LPA's 2 days a week. I had never had a CV but sent in an application for the job. I had an interview the following Tuesday and started on the Wednesday. I am delighted to say after 8 years I am still there and love it.

Once settled into our home in Bournemouth it was Stuart who got involved first with the shul. Loving the atmosphere of the Shabbos and evening services and then getting involved cooking for Meet 'n' Munch. I was drawn into the Ladies' Guild, being on their Executive Committee and helping out with Kiddush and Ladies' Guild events including organising one of their most lively and entertaining evenings "Frankie's Guys".

During COVID and lockdown, I have been helping more in the shul office and also the shul shop.

I feel I have been blessed with a good life. From loving parents, a fabulous brother (who sadly died in 2007) but I am so grateful that I have such a closeness with his children in Gateshead, Manchester and Israel). I have my wonderful husband Stuart - who, many who know us, thinks he spoils me rotten. My wonderful children who I am so, so proud of, my grandchildren and last, but not least, the wonderful friends we have made since being in Bournemouth.

As is said by many in Bournemouth, it is hard when away from family, but our friends help close the void. Finally, thank you to President Josie Lipsith, the Trustees and all those who were involved in bestowing this honour on me. It is humbling, especially when there are so many other worthy candidates.

*We love Bournemouth, we love being a part of the community and sincerely hope after we get over COVID-19, the community will thrive and go from strength to strength.*

# HOW TO MAKE SURE YOUR ORGAN DONATION WISHES ARE RESPECTED

## Background

- Since organ donation was first introduced in the 1950s, Judaism has approached the question of deceased organ donation on an individual case-by-case basis.
- The family of the deceased play a key role in the process.
- They often require support not only about understanding the medical issues but also about how organ donation can be done in a way that is consistent with their loved one's faith and cultural traditions.
- At a time of stress and grief, Rabbis and religious authorities can provide support and assistance.
- The Jewish principles of pikuach nefesh (saving lives) and kavod hamet (respecting the deceased) need to be respected.
- During and after the donation process Judaism incorporates another principle which must not be neglected – that of nichum aveilim – giving comfort to the bereaved.

## The New Organ Donation Regulation in England

There is a new organ donation system operating in England. For the Jewish community in England some elements of the system have changed. It is relatively straightforward to ensure your wishes are respected – whether you want to be an organ and tissue donor; if so, whether you want to do so in line with religious considerations; or do not want to donate under any circumstances.

If you want to donate, there is a continued emphasis on eliminating any doubt of the potential organ donor's wishes before the procedure can go ahead. It is vital that we, and our loved ones, trust the system. If possible, confusion must be eliminated. If our loved ones are unclear as to what we wanted, this creates family distress.

The reform that has received most media attention is cultural. Politicians describe the new system as 'opt out' - to use legal language, based on 'deemed consent'. However, there are safeguards to ensure that no one becomes an organ donor without their consent. Communication with families under all circumstances is upheld as 'essential' throughout.

Critically, if an individual has not actively expressed consent, the family or a nominated person can give information that would lead a reasonable person to conclude that (i) the person did not want to be a donor and so donation should not proceed; or (ii) that donation should proceed in line with faith considerations and religious belief and so donation should proceed only in the appropriate way. Organ transplant professionals will

be guided by such information.

If an individual has not actively expressed consent; and family, or a close friend where appropriate, or a nominated person cannot be reached, then organ donation should not go ahead. These safeguards are underpinned by the relevant Human Tissue Authority Code Of Practice for organ donation professionals which has been tabled in Parliament.

## Recommended Next Steps

- Speak to your Rabbi or engage with your religious authority's information on organ donation generally, to help you come to a decision about organ donation.
- You should communicate clearly to your family what your decision is with regard to organ donation, ideally both in a conversation and in writing. The written statement does not require legal countersigning or lodging.
- Log your decision on to the Government's online Organ Donor Register (ODR) at [www.organdonation.nhs.uk](http://www.organdonation.nhs.uk). The ODR is an important indicator to organ donation professionals about your decision. The ODR has the options to register either consent or non-consent.
- If you decide to consent to donation there is an option to indicate that your faith is important and must be taken into consideration as the process goes ahead. This is a critical new innovation which can help ensure your wishes are respected.
- There is a faith declaration on the ODR, which states how organ donation professionals will communicate with your family, and how they will be allowed to discuss the decision with your religious authorities.
- The Board of Deputies is working with all the Jewish religious authorities to ensure that families of potential organ donors can be provided with a phone helpline from which they can seek rabbinic advice. Healthcare professionals should be able to provide this number to families and will also be able to consult it themselves.

Now is the time to ensure your personal wishes are known. We advise you to speak to your Rabbi or religious authority, share your decision with your family, and make your decision clear on the Organ Donor Register at [www.organdonation.nhs.uk](http://www.organdonation.nhs.uk).

**Amanda Bowman**  
Vice President, July 2020

## UIGHURS IN CHINA

**M**y parents used to be avid readers of the Jewish Chronicle, usually devouring its contents every Shabbat.

I seem to have followed their tradition in a more modern way by following the JC on Twitter and reading the news stories they link to. Usually I skim read them, thinking perhaps "that's interesting" or "I didn't know that". But on the afternoon of Thursday 23 July, in a moment I won't forget, I read an article that had me in tears.

Let me explain. My parents, aged 24 and 18, fled from Germany in September 1939 having been put on the train by their parents and told to go. They had witnessed the start of the Holocaust. My mother told me stories of Kristallnacht, of her father being thrown down the stairs; I know my father went through horrors that he was unable to speak about. Every one of my grandparents was murdered so I never knew the joy of being with them that I hope we can give to our grandson. It's all so close and personal to me that I am unable to cope with reading or hearing more about the horrors nor can I attend important events such as those on Holocaust Memorial Day.

The article in the JC titled My people are being murdered by China [1] that stopped me in my tracks, was a description by a young Uighur woman about the concentration camps in China. She says:

We believe that there are possibly 3 million people held in the camps. One intellectual who managed to flee the country revealed that people are sometimes kept in detention for over a year before being moved to a re-education camp. He said that the place of detention was a nightmare. During his three month detention he was tortured daily. Sixty people were crowded into a 60 square meter cell. His worst humiliation was to have to strip off his clothes in front of everyone else and to walk in a circle in view of the camera, and this was repeated by everyone else every night. And every day when the siren sounded, all prisoners in the room had to dive on top of each other and remain there until the siren stopped. Sometimes this could last 30 minutes.

She adds that there is a programme of forced sterilisation targeting at least 80 per cent of Uighur women of childbearing age. Those who refuse are threatened with incarceration in concentration camps.

Her brother tells her not to contact her family any more saying "Please leave us in G-d's hands", as it would put them in more danger.

To make things even more unbearable, the article is accompanied by a photo of Uighurs being herded onto trains. What does that remind you of?

This means that it looks like the Holocaust is happening again and that the genocide of up to 12 million Uighurs is about to occur. I always thought that the slogan of "Never again" was a promise that would be fulfilled, but that doesn't seem to be true and why I find this article so hard to write.

The JC also published an article by Rabbi Moshe

Freedman reminding us of the Torah's view of the unity of humanity. He also quotes Holocaust survivor and Nobel peace prize winner Elie Wiesel's words:

"There may be times when we are powerless to prevent injustice, but there must never be a time when we fail to protest."

The Uigur woman who wrote the article also pleads with us to protest and to do everything we can to stop the atrocities. When reading that, I hear the pleas of my ancestors who suffered so much.

I know that ridiculous comparisons are often made comparing what the Nazis did with some event or other, but when Marie van der Zyl, President of the Board of Deputies and Karen Pollock, CEO of the Holocaust Educational Trust make precisely those comparisons, then I know that they are valid.

I have written to my MP asking him to press the Government, in conjunction with other countries, to protest and take action to stop the horrors. Please can I ask you every one of you to do as Elie Wiesel asks and protest in any way that you can? As Jews we are, unfortunately, well qualified to understand what is happening.

[1] [tinyurl.com/y496f2dv](http://tinyurl.com/y496f2dv) or [www.thejc.com/comment/opinion/my-people-are-being-murdered-by-china-1.501841](http://www.thejc.com/comment/opinion/my-people-are-being-murdered-by-china-1.501841)

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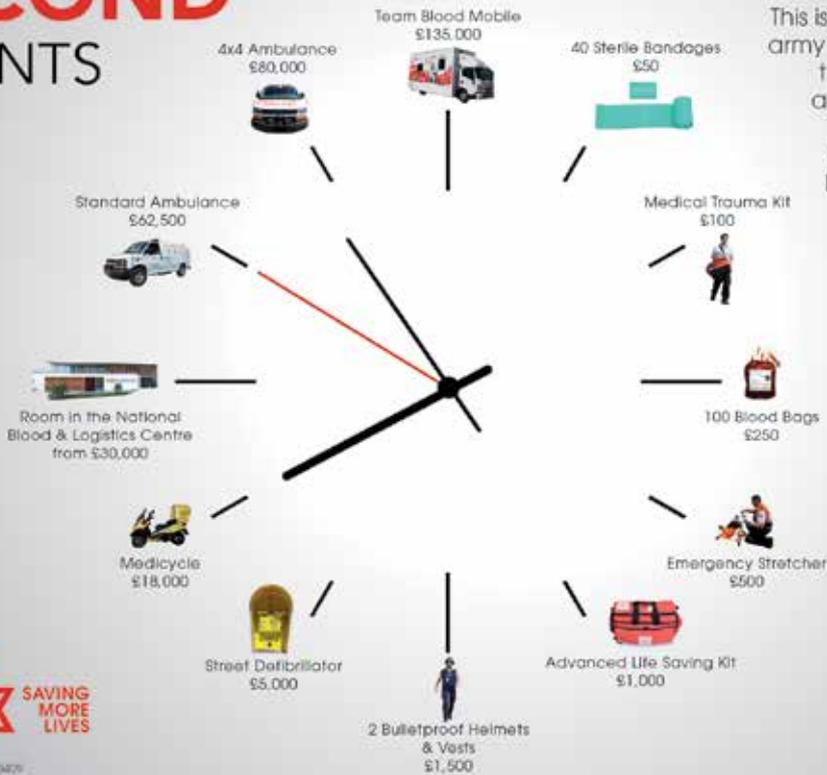
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# D-DAY REVISITED

**D**uring WW2 my father Maurice Fogel, as a member of the elite Stars in Battledress, entertained the troops at home and abroad.

His performances were always much appreciated and well received wherever he went. Some of his fellow compatriots on these shows were Terry Thomas, Charlie Chester, and Janet Brown.

At the end of one of his performances on stage he stated that "In a couple of months the date of June 5th would have some great significance to everyone in this theatre."

He took his bow and retired to tumultuous applause.

In his dressing room packing away the few items from his performance he was immediately summoned to the office of the Commanding Officer. He immediately attended as requested, assuming it was for further praise.

The Commanding Officer questioned Maurice as what he knew about the date June 5th.

"Nothing Sir", came his instant reply.

"I don't believe you" said the C.O. - "What made you choose this particular date? I need to know the truth!"

"Well Sir, the truth is that it is a well-known ploy I often use, that in suggesting a date in the future, if something happens on this date the men will remember that I had quoted this date, and if nothing happens then it will be completely forgotten.

The C.O retorted, "But, why this particular date?"

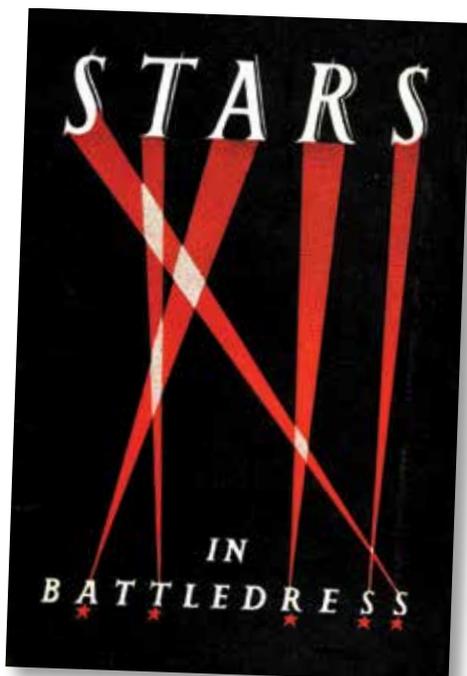
"It's just a date I plucked out of the air - Sir!" said Fogel.

Dismissed!

The next day Gunner Fogel was questioned again, this time by the Military Police who further interrogated him - to no avail. In the end reluctantly they had no choice but to believe him.

Why all the fuss? Well, June 5th was the original day for D Day but owing to fog it was postponed for 24 hours.

*Coincidence?... perhaps not! After all he was rightly known as 'The Amazing Fogel'*



Nadine Fogel Woodward



Beverley Smith, one of our Chessed volunteers, who was working in Tesco on VE Day - took advice on how to dress for the day from Rita White, who she has been assisting through our Chessed volunteer scheme

## STRANGE ITEMS BEING GROWN ON THE ALLOTMENT THIS YEAR

– here is a potato shaped like a hippo...

Richard Saunders has been busy tending his allotment during these difficult times. We are sure you will agree we all need some humour so thanks for the photos Richard.



... and Tomato Pinocchio?



## BHC IN THE TIME OF COVID 19

**A**lthough many of us have been confined at home over many weeks, a volunteer rota has kept in touch with our members, offering a friendly voice as well as assistance with shopping etc.

Thanks to ZOOM, the community has also not been without a means of staying together and being in communication with each other.

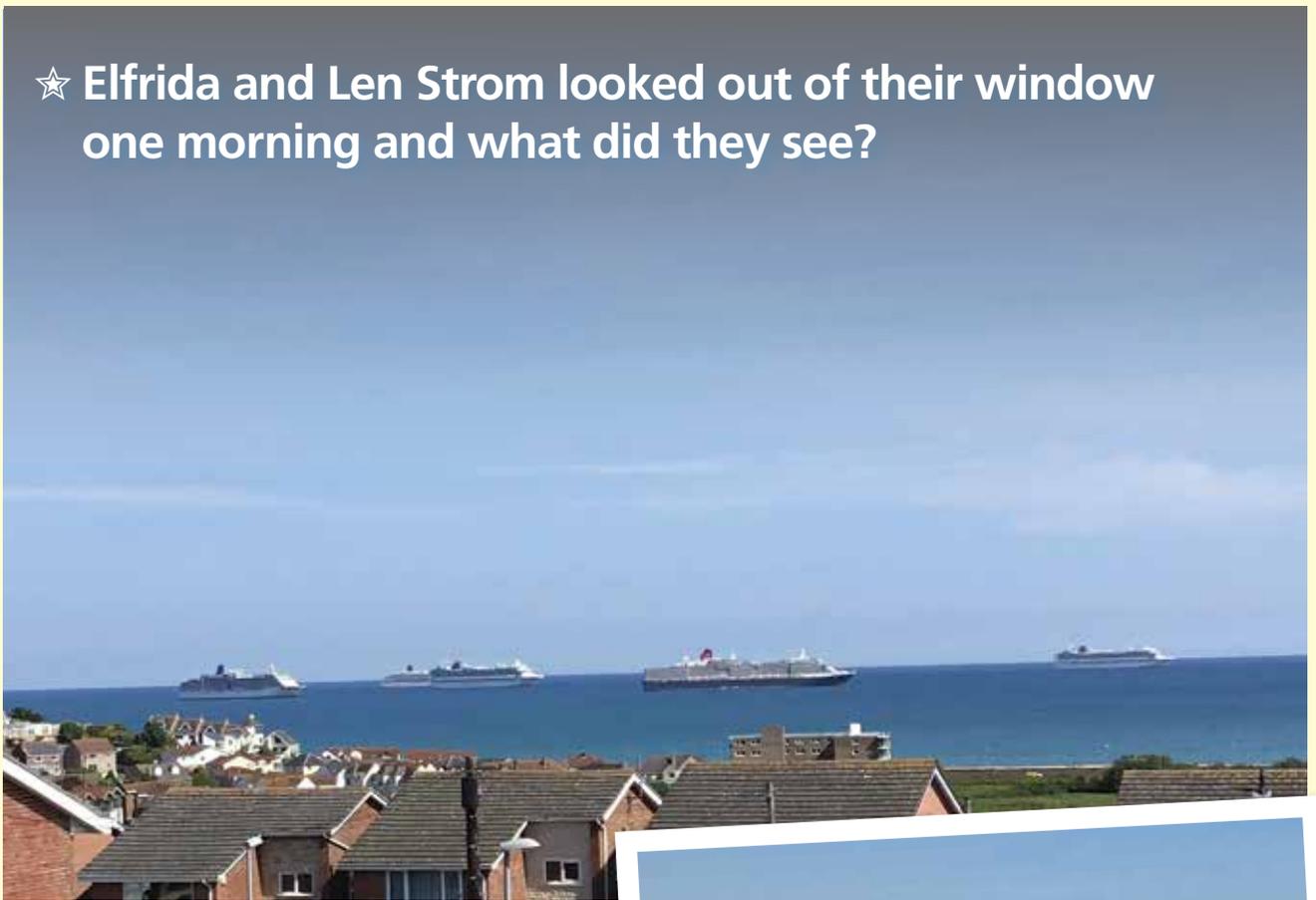
As well as synagogue services, there have been talks

by the Rabbi and Rebbetzen, cookery demonstrations, Keep Fit classes, Bridge lessons, Art lessons, talks on Jewish and Israeli history, in fact so many sessions, it has been difficult for people to fit them all in.

However, many people have expressed their thanks and their pleasure that they have been enabled to have such a variety and this has kept them going over the many weeks when they were unable to go out.

We have included some photos and articles which show how some of our members have spent the time

### ☆ Elfrida and Len Strom looked out of their window one morning and what did they see?



The view makes an incredible sight both day and night when the cabins are lit up. There have been up to seven giant cruise ships anchored in Weymouth Bay. Amongst them are P&O liners; the Britannia and Ventura; Cunard Queen Mary 2; Marella Discovery and the Carnival Valor. We have sailed on the Ventura and the Azura, which has anchored here but has moved on.

We are very privileged to have these vessels visit OUR Bay to present us with such a fantastic view.

**Elfrida and Len Strom**



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## BHC IN THE TIME OF COVID 19

### ★ Hayley – BHC’s Personal Trainer

**Why I started the classes:** I initially started our exercise sessions at the start of lockdown to bring something to our community in such challenging times. Now after 3 months, it's clear to see we have formed a little community within the community!

**What they involve:** Weekly 30 minute Exercise Classes on Zoom every Wednesday at 11:30am focused on Mobility, Posture, Balance, Strength & Cardio. Weekly Health Tips such as Benefits of Exercise, Nutrition, Food Posture and more.

**Who Can Join Us:** I design exercises specifically for our participants so ALL fitness levels can take part with options for beginners and more advanced.

"A massive congratulations to all my fellow "HayleyPT-ers" who participate in our classes. It is so wonderful to see so many of you every week,

and all showing great progression in your core stability, strength and stamina. Keep up all your hard work and well done!"

Please contact myself or Eric Kurt to join us, let's bring more of our community together to keep as safe, strong and healthy as possible.

Best wishes,

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### ★ Lockdown joy!

I always dreamed of having a pond in the garden, but with children and cats, my husband Barry z"l and I decided it wasn't a good idea. Last summer I was still going on about it, our garden was big enough, so when Graham, who is the partner of my daughter Dina, volunteered to build one, well you can imagine it had to happen!!

We started in October by using a hose to mark out the shape of the pond; after several attempts we had the ideal design. Graham dug around the hose and dug out lots of stones and soil, all of which we recycled in the garden. Barry z"l had said he would buy the pond liner, which was duly put in and water added to keep the shape.

We then stopped as the weather deteriorated.

When the weather got warmer in March, we continued. Just before lockdown, the crazy paving and sand and cement arrived. We also went to look for plants to go in the pond. We spent lockdown after work hours, finishing the pond, adding the water features, including a fountain and plants.

Neighbours donated their fish as they were demolishing their pond, about 50 goldfish of various sizes.

Recently, we put in shrubs which will hopefully grow, and reflective mirrors to add a different dimension. Lights were put under water, near the fountain and on the sides of the pond and wooden frames. It is now a lovely place to sit and relax and read. I wonder what Barry z"l would make of it.

Lorraine Berlyn





## Recipes for a sweet New Year forwarded by Verity Olswang

### Boil up Fruitcake *This is a simple recipe, without the need of a food mixer.*

**Ingredients:**

225g self-raising flour, 200g caster sugar  
60g butter, 1 egg, 250ml milk, 150g sultanas

**Method:**

- 1) Put all ingredients apart from the flour and egg into a saucepan and bring to the boil.
- 2) Leave to cool for 20 minutes.

- 3) Add flour and egg and mix well.
- 4) Pour mixture into a large, greased and lined loaf tin.
- 5) Bake 180 degrees centigrade for approximately 1 hour.
- 6) Either eat it as it comes, or spread with butter for a tasty treat!

### Courgette Muffins with Lime Cream Cheese Topping

**Ingredients:**

60g raisins, 250g (2-3) courgettes, 2 large eggs, 125ml vegetable oil, 150g caster sugar, 225g SR flour, ½ tsp bicarb of soda, ½ tsp baking powder

**Icing**

200g cream cheese, 100g icing sugar, sieved Juice of 1 lime, 2-3 tbs chopped pistachio nuts

**Method:**

- Preheat oven to 180° (gas mark 4)  
Grease a 10" loose bottomed tin
- 1) Soak raisins in warm water.

- 2) Wipe courgettes then grate.
- 3) Put the eggs, oil and sugar in a bowl and beat until creamy.
- 4) Sieve in the flour, bicarb and backing powder and continue to beat until well combined.
- 5) Stir in grated courgettes and add drained raisins. Divide into Muffin cases and bake in the oven for 20-25 Minutes.

**To make the cream cheese icing**

- 1) Beat cream cheese in a bowl, add sieved icing sugar and lime juice.

## ★ P.S. Keep Active and Maintain Your Weight over The New Year and Religious Holidays with HayleyPT!

★ **Top Tips** ★

- 1) Use this time to de-stress and rest and catch up on your sleep.
- 2) Ensure you eat a healthy breakfast to prevent unnecessary snacking.
- 3) Choose your portions wisely, smaller plates will help.
- 4) Pick the healthier options - more protein such as meat, fish, eggs and lots of salad, veggies and fruit.
- 5) Stay as active as possible. It doesn't have to be a gym, even a 30 minute walk or something active every day is a good start.
- 6) Be sensible with alcohol - limit to 1 or 2 glasses.
- 7) Practice Mindful Eating - take your time to eat and enjoy your meals

- 8) Drink plenty of water and keep hydrated. Sometimes we mistake thirst for hunger. You will have more energy too!

I hope you find these tips useful! Contact me directly for any personal advice on your health and fitness.

*Shana Tova and Fast Well,*



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# THE LOCKDOWN & ME

**T**he new Executive should be given a rousing round of applause for doing such an amazing job in keeping the Community together.

I am sure that in February, when they were elected to office and read their job descriptions, they didn't envisage amongst other items, having to consider providing a "Seder Box" in lieu of Congregants being unable to fulfil their Pesach arrangements.

I am a relative newcomer to Bournemouth, re-locating from London 45 years ago and cannot recall a period when the community was so cohesive.

Fortunately (or unfortunately depending on your viewpoint), I am not yet 70 but getting very close or considered in need of "Shielding".

However, the lockdown greatly affected me in that apart from medical appointments and daily exercise, I was "confined to barracks". The world has come to me, unable to attend (for various reasons) Shul since August 2019, the various services (If I choose to participate) are available, except Shabbat, via Zoom on a daily basis.

One of my interests is family history and genealogy and I am a member of The Jewish Genealogical Society of Great Britain. Prior to the lockdown, the majority of meetings were held in London and due to ill health, I was unable to attend. I can now Zoom into meetings being

held not only in this country but was able to "attend" a Zoom presentation introducing me to the delights of DNA and its importance to family history, given by a lecturer from his home in Israel.

In view of my diagnosis in July 2018 of Advanced Prostate Cancer, I decided to become involved in various cancer charities including Prostate Cancer UK and The Prostate Cancer Research Centre, both for whom I have written articles to be published in their magazines. Because of Zoom, I was invited by the second charity to "attend and participate" in meetings by medical consultants in both London and Newcastle.

What does the future hold for Zoom? Primarily, used as a business conference video tool, I would be extremely disappointed if it was to revert 100% to this function. On the 31st May, it was suggested by the chairperson of a meeting that I was "attending", that his council should consider in future having a "hybrid", in respect of meetings, but for those members physically unable to attend, to still provide access by means of Zoom. Rosamunde and I hope the Shul will continue to facilitate Zoom for various meetings and events e.g. Adult Education, which we were unable to attend before the lockdown, due to our medical conditions.

*Rosamunde joins me in wishing all at BHC, a peaceful, happy and more importantly healthy New Year.*

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# MANAGING THE OFFICE FROM HOME

In December 2019 I asked Mahir (then President), whether I could have a laptop to do work from home when necessary, due to my husband Barry z"l being very unwell.

A laptop was duly sorted which linked to my office computer. Little did I know how valuable it was going to be!

When the Prime Minister said we all had to stay home, the BHC office moved to my dining room table, with the phones being directed to my mobile.

Necessary paperwork went with me and so I got on with being administrator from home. It was certainly interesting, challenging, if not crazy at times. At this point I expected to be at home only for a few weeks.

Being so near to Pesach meant that numerous phone calls were always being made between the office, shul, Josie, members and me. In fact when the main phone rang, my family didn't bother to answer it.

My mobile was ringing so much and at strange times, we had to put out a reminder of the office hours so I didn't get constantly bombarded.

Shavuot came and went and I missed working in the office, mainly due to not meeting people and the hive of activity that goes with preparation for events, and activities such as bridge and table tennis, which were weekly events. Members would pop in to see us and find out how we were.

In discussion with Josie I decided to come back to the



*Loraine busy at work in her 'office'*

office, but no-one was allowed in. My daughter shielding made it more difficult for me. After work I would shower and change before seeing her.

Being back in the office makes it easier to distinguish between work and home, plus I have all files and paperwork on hand.

I see a few people but speak to most of you on the phone. The new "normal " is certainly different and as I think back to the last function we held, Purim, I hope that soon we will be able to celebrate Shabbat, Yom Tovim and Simchat together.

Loraine Berlyn

## Personal

**BRYSH** – Isa is relocating to London and would like to bid a fond farewell to all her friends in Bournemouth, where she has spent many happy years within the Jewish Community. She would like to thank all who enquired about her welfare during these trying times and wishes them all good health. She can be contacted on her mobile number 07955 017197

**KEEN** – Jeffrey and Marilyn Keen would like to thank Rabbi and Pamela Jesner together with Josie Lipsith as well as our wonderful family and amazing friends for all the care, concern and love shown to us during Jeffrey's recent operation and long stay in hospital. He is now on the road to recovery and we look forward to seeing everyone when we are allowed to do so and can thank them personally.

**REIN** – Corinne Rein thanks everyone who sent their good wishes on her recent move to the East Cliff.

**SKLAN** – Barry, Angela and Abbie Sklan would like to say "thank you" to everyone who visited, telephoned, emailed, texted and sent letters following the sudden passing of our dear mum and grandma Joan. The contact and kind words were very comforting. May we all only be together on semachot.

**STROM** – Elfrida and Len Strom would like to thank the Shul well-wishers who phoned us during the lock down, enquiring about our well-being. It was very much appreciated and a wonderful gesture.

**WEINTROUB** – Irene and Ivor thank all those who have wished Ivor well and enquired as to his progress during his recent illness and treatment. The kind thoughts are much appreciated and have given great comfort.



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August, 2020

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As an alternative to email and telephone, you may like a Zoom consultation which can be set up at a mutually convenient time. This could be more personal and relaxing - maybe even have elevenses or afternoon tea together remotely!

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Best regards

**Melvin – 07783873584**

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# NEW YEAR GREETINGS

**BAKER** – Beverley and Steve wish everyone in the community a happy, healthy New Year and well over the Fast.

**BARZILAY** – Diana and Richard wish their family, friends and all the community a happy and healthy New Year and well over the Fast.

**BERLYN** – Loraine and family, wish Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner, friends and the entire community a very happy, healthy, peaceful and safe New Year and well over the Fast.

**BLUMENTHAL** – Karen and Alan wish all friends old and new in the Bournemouth Jewish Community a happy, healthy, prosperous and safe New Year and well over the Fast. Leshanah Tovah Tikateivu.

**BOURNEMOUTH HEBREW LADIES GUILD** – wish Rabbi Jesner and Pamela, together with the entire community a happy, healthy, peaceful and safe New Year.

**BOURNEMOUTH LEAGUE OF JEWISH WOMEN** – wish Rabbi Jesner and Pamela, together with the entire community a healthy, happy New Year.

**BOURNEMOUTH SEPHARDI ASSOCIATION** – wish the Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation and all the Jewish Community a peaceful, healthy and happy New Year and well over the Fast.

**BOURNEMOUTH WIZO** – wishes all its members and the whole Community a very happy, healthy, peaceful New Year.

**BRYSH** – Isa expresses warm New Year greetings for good health and happiness to Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner, the President, Committee and all members and their families of the Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation. Leshanah Tovah Tikateivu.

**COHEN** – Freda and Ken wish everyone a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year and well over the Fast.

**COSKY** – Megan and Lewis send best wishes to all their family and friends for a happy healthy year and well over the Fast.

**COWAN** – Thelma wishes all her friends and the entire community a very happy and peaceful New Year.

**DEXTER** – Marilyn and Bernie wish all family and friends a Shanah Tova and peace for Israel.

**DWORKIN** – Carole wishes to send New Year Greetings to family, friends and the whole Congregation.

**DWORKIN** – Celia and Gerald wish family and friends a very happy and healthy New Year.

**FELD** – Susan and Geoffrey wish all their dear family and friends happy, peaceful and healthy New Year.

**FILER** – Anne and Michael wish Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner, friends, family and all members a happy and healthy New Year free from pressures and problems.

**FRANSES** – Beverley and Jeff wish their family and friends a happy New Year and well over the Fast.

**GOLDBERG** – Judy and Stanley wish family and friends a healthy year.

**GOLDBERGER** – Ilana and Michael together with all their family wish the community a happy and healthy New Year and well over the Fast.

**GRANT** – Evelyn and Michael together with all their family wish the entire Community a healthy and happy New Year and well over the Fast.

**HARRIS** – Valerie wishes all her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends, a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

**HARTH** – Syd and Hillary wish their family and friends a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year and as easy Fast.

**JESNER** – Rabbi Adrian and Pamela Jesner wish everyone at the Bournemouth Hebrew Congregation a happy and healthy New Year and well over the Fast.

**KAYE** – Mandy and Larry, together with their children and grandchildren, wish all their family, Rabbonim and friends, a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

**KEEN** – Marilyn & Jeffrey wish Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner, Reverend Barry and Mrs Sklan, our dear family and friends a happy and healthy year and well over the Fast.

**KOSHER AT BHC** – Bournemouth Community Shop wishes the Rabbi, Rebbetzen and the whole community a happy and healthy New Year. "Fresh Food. Fair Prices Why Pay More."

**LASSMAN** – Brian and Judy wish their family and friends and the entire community a very happy and healthy New Year.

**LEVEY** – Adrian and June Noah wish family, friends and the entire community a happy New Year and well over the Fast.

**LEVEY** – Claire would like to wish all her friends a very happy, healthy and peaceful New Year and well over the Fast.

**LINZ** – Lynne and David wish their Bournemouth family and friends a happy and healthy New Year.



**LIPSITH** – Josie and Harvey wish all their dear family and friends a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

**LURIE** – Barbara and Simon wish all their family and friends a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

**MENTON** – Judith, Jonathan, Jessica and Joshua wish family, friends and all the community a happy and healthy New Year.

**MILESTONE** – Sandra and Alan wish their dear children and family, also Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner plus all our old and new friends together with President Josie, Erik and their families a happy healthy and peaceful New Year and well over the Fast.

**MILLER** – Cyndy and Tony wish the Rabbi and Rebbetzen and the whole Community a happy and healthy New Year.

**MORRIS** – Frank wishes the community a very happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

**MYERS** – Hilary wishes family and the community a year blessed with good health, and an enormous thank you to our President and her teams for their care in unprecedented times.

**OLSWANG** – Verity wishes her dear family and friends a happy and healthy New Year and well over the Fast.

**OPAS** – Jan and Gary wish their friends and the Bournemouth Community a very healthy and happy New Year and well over the Fast.

**OZDAMAR** – Mahir and Anne together with Karen, Dan, Harry and Georgie, and Liza, Gavin, Jacob and Elana, wish their friends and the Community a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

**PINS** – Janet wishes Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner, all her family and friends, a happy, healthy, peaceful year.

**RADLEY** – Fay wishes her dear family and friends a healthy and happy New Year and thanks them for all the love and care shown to her.

**REICHWALD** – Marion and Peter send everyone their best wishes for a year of sweet things, good health and peace.

**REIN** – Corinne together with her family wish Rabbi Adrian & Rebbetzen Pamela Jesner, the Executive and the community a happy and healthy New Year and peace to all Israel.

**ROBERTS** – Di and Ellard wish all their friends a happy, safe New Year and well over the Fast.

**ROSE** – Tony and Coreen wish all their Bournemouth friends a happy and healthy New Year.

**SAUNDERS** – Ruth and Richard wish all their family and friends a sweet New Year with good health and every happiness.

**SEGAL** – Lorraine and Len, together with Ann and Lisa wish their children, grandchildren, family and friends a happy and healthy New Year.

**SELBY** – Rochelle and Anthony wish Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner, Reverend Barry and Angela Sklan, family and friends a happy, healthy, peaceful and safe New Year.

**SHERWOOD** – Sylvia and Gerald wish their family and friends a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

**SKLAN** – Angela and Barry wish Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner, all at the Bournemouth Sephardi Association, our family, good friends and the BHC Kehilla a healthy, happy and peaceful Shanah Tova 5781.

**STROM** – Len and Elfrida wish Rabbi and Rebbetzen Jesner and all members of the Community a happy and healthy New Year.

**TALISMAN** – Arnold and Rosalie wish Rabbi and Rebbetzen Adrian Jesner, and all their friends a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

**TAYLOR** – Leon and Rhona wish all their family and friends a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

**WAINER** – Eta and Gerald wish their children, grandchildren, family and friends a happy and healthy New Year.

**WALKER** – Gilian and Bernie Cohen wish Rabbi Jesner Rebbetzen Pamela, President Josie, Honorary Officers and all dear friends a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year and well over the Fast.

**WEINTROUB** – Irene and Ivor, Nicola, Daniel, Simon, Lilia and Diego wish all their family, friends and the Congregation a very happy New Year and a peaceful Fast.

**WHITE** – Marilyn and Stephen wish their dear children, grandchildren, family and friends a healthy, happy and peaceful New Year.

**WOLFERS** – Edward and Paula wish family and friends Happy New Year.

**WOOLFSTEIN** – Hazel and Cyril wish our dear family and friends a very happy, healthy and peaceful New Year and well over the Fast.

# BOURNEMOUTH HEBREW CONGREGATION PROGRAMME OF SERVICES FOR THE YOMIM NORAIM 2020

These notes are intended to be a guide to our yomim noraim services – a booking form will be sent out shortly.

SERVICE	DATE	VENUE	DURATION	MAXIMUM ATTENDANCE	TIME	CONTENT
EREV ROSH HASHANA FRIDAY NIGHT	18 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	ZOOM SERVICE	25 mins Candle lighting 18.55	Limited to the first 100	18.30	Minchah Sermon Prayer for the Royal Family Prayer for the State of Israel Israeli Army Refuah Shlema Yharzeit List
FIRST DAY ROSH HASHANA	19 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	WOOTTON GARDENS SHUL	1 ½ hours	40 men 30 Women	9.30	Rabi Yishmael, Psalm of the day, Ein Kamocha, followed by leyning, Maftir/ Haftorah and Musaph.  Minchah and Maariv at home.
SECOND DAY ROSH HASHANA	20 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	WOOTTON GARDENS SHUL	1 ½ hours Candle Lighting 20.02	40 men 30 Women	9.30  17.00	Rabi Yishmael, Psalm of the day, Ein Kamocha, followed by leyning, Maftir/ Haftorah, SHOFAR and Musaph.  TASHLICH BOURNEMOUTH/ BOSCOMBE PIER
MOTZA'EI ROSH HASHANAH – HAVDALLAH	20 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	ZOOM	½ hour Yom Tov Terminates 20.00	Limited to the first 100	20.10	Maariv Havdallah Thought for the week.
Fast of Gedaliah	21 <sup>st</sup> September					Fast begins 5.47 Fast ends 19.49
EREV SHABBAT SHUVA – FRIDAY NIGHT	25 <sup>th</sup> September	ZOOM	35mins Candle lighting 18.39	Limited to the first 100	18.10	Minchah and Kabbalat Shabbat
SHABBAT SHUVA	26 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	WOOTTON GARDENS SHUL	1 ½ hours	40 Men 30 Women	9.30	Rabi Yishmael, Psalm of the day, Ein Kamocha, followed by leyning, and Musaph.  Minchah and

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						Maariv will be said at home.
MOTZA'EI SHABBAT SHUVA	26 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	ZOOM	SHABBAT TERMINATES ES 19.46		19.55	Maariv, Havdallah, thought for the week
PRE-YOM KIPPUR KOL NIDRE ZOOM SERVICE	27 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	ZOOM	1 hour 18.35 CANDLE LIGHTING/ FAST BEGINS	Limited to the first 100	16.45	Minchah Kol Nidre Prayer for the Royal Family Prayer for the State of Israel and Israeli army Refuah shlema Yharzeit list Appeal YIZCOR
YOM KIPPUR KOL NIDRE SERVICE	27 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	WOOTTON GARDENS SHUL	1 hour	40 MEN 30 WOMEN	19.00	Kol Nidre Maariv
YOM KIPPUR SERVICE	28 <sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER	WOOTTON GARDENS SHUL		40 MEN 30 WOMEN	TBC	Yizcor or Yizcor and Musaph or Yizcor and Minchah or Yizcor and Neilah And/or Neilah  (NB there will be only one Neilah service)
EREV SUKKOT – FRIDAY NIGHT	2 <sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER	ZOOM	45 mins CANDLE LIGHTING 18.24	Limited to the first 100	17.45	Minchah Sermon Prayer for the Royal Family Prayer for the State of Israel and Israeli army Refuah Shlema Yharzeit list
FIRST DAY SUKKOT	3 <sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER	WOOTTON GARDENS SHUL	1 ½ hours Candle Lighting after 19.31	40 MEN 30 WOMEN	9.30	Rabi Yishmael, Psalm of the day, Ein Kamocha, followed by leyning, and Musaph.  Minchah and Maariv will be said at home.

SERVICE	DATE	VENUE	DURATION	MAXIMUM ATTENDANCE	TIME	CONTENT
SECOND DAY SUKKOT	4 <sup>th</sup> OCTOBER	WOOTTON GARDENS SHUL	1 ½ hours Yom Tov Terminates 19.28	40 MEN 30 WOMEN	9.30	Rabi Yishmael, Psalm of the day, Ein Kamocha, followed by leyning, and Musaph/Hashanot  Minchah
HOSANNAH RABBA	9 <sup>th</sup> OCTOBER	MENORAH SUITE	1hour	20 MEN 5 WOMEN	8.00	19.35 Maariv on zoom. SHACHARIT
EREV SHEMINI ATZERET – FRIDAY NIGHT	9 <sup>th</sup> OCTOBER	ZOOM	45 mins Candle Lighting 18.08	Limited to the first 100	17.15	Minchah Sermon Prayer for the Royal Family Prayer for the State of Israel and Israeli Army Refuah Shlema Yharzeit List YIZCOR
SHEMINI ATZERET - SHABBAT	10 <sup>th</sup> OCTOBER	WOOTTON GARDENS SHUL	1 ½ hours Candle Lighting 19.16	40 MEN 30 WOMEN	9.30	Rabi Yishmael, Psalm of the day, Ein Kamocha, followed by leyning, YIZCOR and Musaph.  Minchah and Maariv will be said at home.
SIMCHAT TORAH	11 <sup>th</sup> OCTOBER	WOOTTON GARDENS SHUL	1 ½ hours Yom Tov Terminate 19.13	40 MEN 30 WOMEN	9.30	Rabi Yishmael, Psalm of the day, HAKAFOT Ein Kamocha, followed by leyning, and Musaph. Minchah and Maariv will be said at home.
MOTZA'EI SIMCHAT TORAH	11 <sup>th</sup> October	ZOOM	15mins	Limited to the first 100	19.30	Maariv and Havdallah

**Please note - booking is essential** - all those wishing to attend services will be able to do so - sequential services will be arranged if we are oversubscribed, with time allowed for thorough cleaning and sanitising between services.

We are planning to erect our sukkah as usual - during sukkot it will be available for those who wish to undertake the mitzvah of eating in the sukkah – to comply with social distancing guidelines booking is necessary.

In terms of regulations regarding Covid 19 we will be guided by advice from Public Health England, the Government and the Office of The Chief Rabbi – this may mean we have to make changes to our programme of services – we will keep you informed at all times.

Please contact Rabbi Jesner or myself for further details.

Dr Josie Lipsith  
President

# CST wishes our community a peaceful, healthy & safe New Year



It is CST's mission to protect our Jewish communities up and down the country. We are committed to you, and ensuring your security, so that Jewish life can continue to exist and thrive in the UK.

The past year has been filled with challenges, both individual and collective. The pandemic has touched all of our lives, some in deeply tragic ways. The ability to physically meet with friends, family and in community – the networks that can make the most difficult and uncertain of times more bearable – has been removed. Where there is crisis, anger and blame follow, often directed at Jewish people. Now that we can gather together once again, CST is here to make sure it happens safe from prejudice and physical harm.

We wish that the security we provide were not necessary, but sadly terrorism, although rare, is a reality that can happen anywhere. Last Yom Kippur, the synagogue in Halle, Germany, was attacked by

a neo-Nazi. Using a homemade gun, he tried and failed to enter the synagogue, but did kill a passer-by and a customer at a nearby kebab shop. It was the cooperation of the congregants and shul staff, simply properly closing the door behind them, that saved the lives of those inside the service.

CST is here to protect you and facilitate the flourishing of Jewish life. This works best when you work with us. Please be mindful of basic security procedures and of our many dedicated volunteers who are devoting their time and efforts to ensure our safety, allowing us to spend the High Holy Days in peace. We wish you a safe, happy New Year, and a meaningful fast.

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Last year the Bournemouth Hebrew Ladies Guild celebrated its Centenary. It was a time to reflect not only on those who had served before us but on all the many events we had been privileged to cater for our community.

Over the years the Guild have supported the Shul and Community by catering Shabbat lunches, fundraising events. Yom Tov meals and of course endless Kiddushim in celebration of members simchas etc. We cover the cost of the special Kiddushim at Shavuot, Succot and Simchat Torah.

Although sadly we are no longer often called upon to cater Kiddushim for Bar and Bat Mitzvahs or even Auff Ruffs (due to the make up of the Community), we are happy to organise them for special birthdays and anniversaries etc. All these Kiddushim are organised by a very dwindling small group of ladies who may be called upon on several consecutive weeks at a time.

We appreciate that you may not wish to serve on the Guild Committee but we would urge you to join our Kiddush rota by putting your name forward to assist (09.30 start) with a Kiddush when asked. Unless we are able to increase our number of helpers we may sadly not be able to continue to organise Kiddushim and may possibly have to employ help which would increase the cost.

So please ladies (and gentlemen) call Thelma, our Chairman, on 01202 290798 or myself, on 01202 552737, and add your name to the list of helpers.

Thank you  
Evelyn Grant (Senior Trustee)



## **HOSPITAL VISITING**

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# Diary

Please note that services may have to be cancelled or restricted in order to contain the spread of the Coronavirus and that due to Covid-19 Government restrictions on numbers attending funerals and stone settings, the Shul office will continue to announce these after they have taken place.

## September 2020 .....

Sunday 13th	First day Selichot.
Friday 18th	<b>Erev Rosh Hashanah.</b> Light candles for Shabbat and 1st day Rosh Hashanah at 6.55 pm.
Shabbat 18th/19th	<b>1st day Rosh Hashanah.</b> Sephardi Service (to be confirmed). Light candles for 2nd day after 8.02 pm.
Sunday 20th	<b>2nd day Rosh Hashanah.</b> Sephardi Service (to be confirmed). Tashlich. Festival ends 8.00 pm.
Monday 21st	<b>Fast of Gedaliah.</b> Fast commences 5.47 am. and terminates at 7.49 pm.
Shabbat 25th/26th	<b>Shabbat Shuva.</b> Ha'azinu.
Sunday 27th	<b>Erev Yom Kippur.</b> <b>Candle lighting and Fast commences at 6.35 pm.</b>  <i>N.B. If you light candles before 6.35 pm. so that you can be in shul for Kol Nidrei, have in mind that you will not accept Yom Kippur immediately, but will do so when you arrive at shul.</i>  <b>Kol Nidrei service commences at 7.00 pm.</b> Sephardi Service (to be confirmed).
Monday 28th	<b>Yom Kippur.</b> Yizkor. Sephardi Service (to be confirmed). Fast terminates at 7. 42 pm.

## October 2020 .....

Friday 2nd	<b>Erev Sukkot.</b> Light candles for Shabbat and for 1st day Sukkot at 6.24 pm.
Shabbat 2nd /3rd	<b>1st day Sukkot.</b> Sephardi Service (to be confirmed). Light candles for 2nd day after 7.31 pm.

Sunday 4th	<b>2nd day Sukkot.</b> Festival terminates at 7.28 pm.
Friday 9th	<b>Hoshana Rabbah.</b> Light candles for Shabbat and Shemini Atzeret at 6.08 pm.
Shabbat 9th/10th	<b>Shemini Atzeret.</b> Yizkor. Light candles for Simchat Torah after 7.16 pm. Hakafot.
Sunday 11th	<b>Simchat Torah.</b> Hakafot. Festival ends 7.13 pm.
Shabbat 16th/17th	Shabbat Bereshit. Shabbat Mevarchim.
Sunday 18th	<b>1st day Rosh Chodesh Marcheshvan.</b>
Monday 19th	<b>2nd day Rosh Chodesh Marcheshvan.</b>
Shabbat 23rd/24th	Noach.
Shabbat 30th/31st	Lech Lecha.

## November 2020 .....

Shabbat 6th/7th	Vayera. Ajex Shabbat
Shabbat 13th/14th	Chayei Sarah. Shabbat Mevarchim.
Tuesday 17th	<b>Rosh Chodesh Kislev.</b>
Shabbat 20th/21st	Toledot.
Shabbat 27th/28th	Vayetzei.

## December 2020 .....

Shabbat 4th/5th	Vayishlach.
Thursday 10th	<b>1st Night Chanukah.</b>
Shabbat 11th/12th	Vayeshev. Shabbat Mevarchim. <b>Shabbat Chanukah.</b>
Wednesday 16th	<b>Rosh Chodesh Tevet.</b>
Shabbat 18th/19th	Miketz.
Friday 25th	<b>Fast of Tevet.</b> Fast commences 6.54 am. and terminates at 5.04 pm.
Shabbat 25th/26th	Vayigash.

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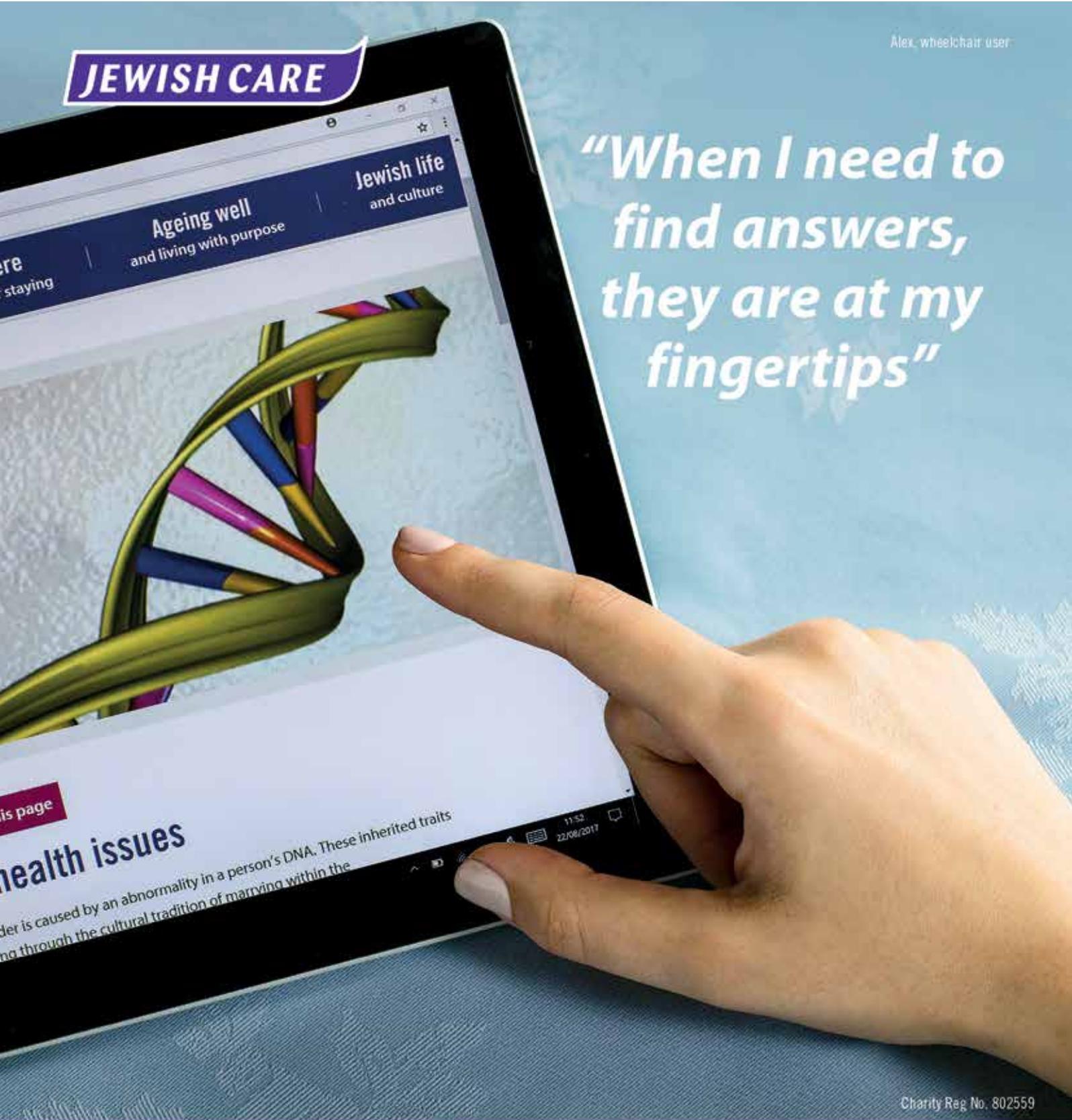
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