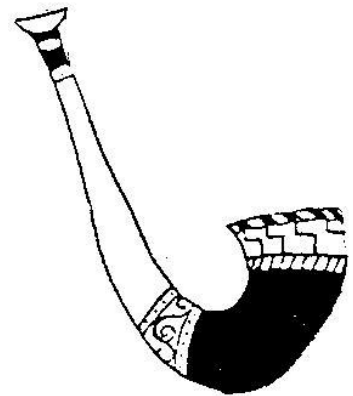
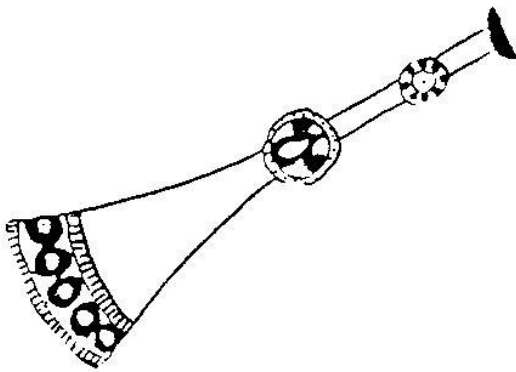
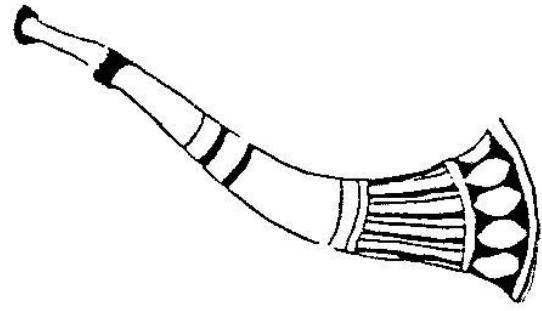


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The Official Newsletter of Ne've Shalom, the Hull Reform Synagogue



CHAIR'S REPORT

Ellul 5778
August/September 2018

Shalom.

Planning is well underway for this year's High Holy Days (5779). Following the huge success of last year's Services, the Shul Council has decided again to engage our highly dedicated team of Lay readers to take this year's services. Ian Sugarman along with Malcolm Rosenberg will be co-ordinating this year's truly remarkable Services. Joanne will shortly be contacting members for their availability for readings/Ark openings etc.

We are offering members and friends the opportunity to place New Year greetings in the Shofar Shalom and have kept to last year's price of only £5.00 per block advert. Further details of this amazing offer can be found on page 8.

On 31 August, we have the great honour of Rabbi Danny Rich leading our Friday Night Service and also conducting Gill Drummond's Admission to the Faith ceremony during the Shabbat Morning Service which is being held on 1 September.

On Sunday 9 September at 10.00am, we are taking part in the Hull Heritage Open Day. The initiative encourages the public to come and see buildings not usually open to the public. I already have few volunteers to assist me, however, if you feel you would like to meet and greet and show guests around our wonderful Shul please contact me on 01482 330510 or 07736 397858 or email me at andy@hsts.co.uk

Please don't forget to come to our Friday Night services at 7.00pm and Shabbat Morning Services at 10.30am.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL



HULL JEWISH COMMUNITY CARE (HJCC)

Friendly Circle Greetings to all our friends within the community. Thanks to Ron Stone, we had a great bingo session last month and I am looking forward to the very good speakers and music we have lined up for the next few months.

The next event in our calendar will be held at the **Pryme Street Synagogue** on **Wednesday 15 August 2018** at **2.00pm**.

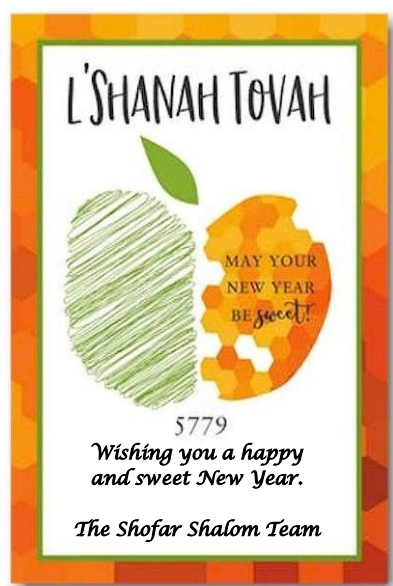
Please note that because of the High Holy Day Festivals there will not be a Friendly Circle event in September and that the meeting in December is a early so that we can coincide with Chanukah and have a musical session and a party. We do hope that the ordinary members of both synagogues would combine with our regular attendees for this special event. For further details or to request a lift to this events, please contact Harold Flasher, Chairman of HJCC, on (01482) 655 537 or 07766 416 605, (or indeed, any member of the committee).



ADMISSION TO THE FAITH CEREMONY

We are delighted to announce that following her successful and historic Beit Din interview and her subsequent conversion to Judaism, Gill Drummond will be carrying out her admission to the faith ceremony during the **Shabbat Morning Service** on **1 September 2018**.

The ceremony will be conducted by **Rabbi Danny Rich** who will be visiting Hull especially to carry out this memorable event. The Shul will be providing a special Kiddush to celebrate this special event. This a very special occasion for Gill, her family and her friends and we know that she would like to share it with **all** members of the community.



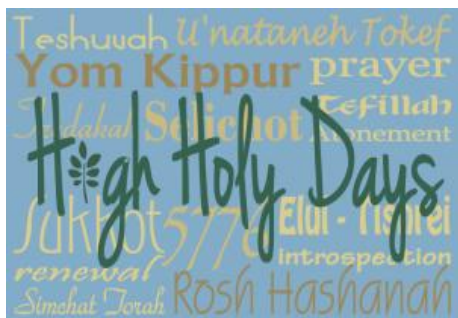
NEW YEAR GREETING CARDS FOR 5779

This year, we are delighted to announce that we have a supply of New Year 5779 greeting cards available for purchase. There are a number of designs and each card costs 50p and all proceeds from the sale will go towards Magen David Adom (MDA).

MDA is Israel's only national medical emergency, disaster, ambulance and blood service, and since June 2006 MDA has been officially recognised by the International Committee of the Red Cross as the national aid society of Israel.

If you do wish to purchase one or more cards, please contact Audrey Sugarman on (01482) 563835 who will be pleased to provide you with further details.

HIGH HOLY DAYS 5779



This year, we are delighted to announce that the High Holy Day Services will be conducted by a team of the Shul's Lay Readers supported by members providing readings during parts of the Services.

All Services will take place at Ne've Shalom, the Hull Reform Synagogue, Great Gutter Lane (West) in Willerby and members are reminded that **all Services will start promptly.**

Although admission to these Services is open to all it is intended to continue the procedure by which only members, and people known to members, are admitted in to the Shul. It would be much appreciated, therefore, if members bringing guests, or out-of-town family could inform the Shul Secretary, Joanne Kearsley, on (01724 340506) in good time prior to the day of the Service, as this might save any embarrassment on the day.

This year we are again asking those attending to confirm their ID by giving their name and address to the Security Officer at the door of the Shul which will be locked at all times.

Once the Service has started, the gates to car park will be locked and the Security Officer will be patrolling the grounds. If required, they can unlock the car park gates. The outer door to the Shul will also be secured and the CCTV will be used to identify late-comers.

The dates and times of the Services are as follows:

Sun. 9 September	Erev Rosh Hashanah	7.00pm
Mon. 10 September	Rosh Hashanah	10.30am
Tue. 18 September	Kol Nidre	7.00pm
Wed. 19 September	Yom Kippur	11.00am
Sun. 23 September	Sukkot	7.00pm
Sun. 30 September	Simchat Torah	7.00pm

With regard to mitzvot and lay readings for the Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur Services, individual lists will be sent out to all those who have confirmed their availability and you should be receiving them shortly.

To assist you to estimate the time of your mitzvot/reading, the approximate service timings for Yom Kippur are detailed below.

Morning Service (Shachrit)	11.00am
Torah Service	12.45pm
Additional Service (Mussaf)	1.45pm
Conclusion of Mussaf	3.45pm

BREAK

Afternoon Service (Mincha)	5.30pm
Memorial Service (Yizkor)	6.45pm
Concluding Service (Nilah)	7.10pm
Fast and Service concludes	8.05pm

SYNAGOGUE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

29 June 2018

Present: Andrew Harbert (Chair), Joanne Kearsley (Secretary), Aimi Sugarman (Treasurer), Phillip O'Driscoll, Elaine Winetroube, Audrey Sugarman, Helen Jackman, Malcolm Rosenberg, Henry Goldstone, Shirley Cassidy, Chris Cassidy, Gillian Smith, Lesley Annis.

Business

The minutes of the previous AGM held on Friday 16 June 2017 were read, approved and signed by the Chair. The Chair then reported on the activities and events over the previous 12 months and thanked the Council and all the members for their support. In his report, he thanked Ian for helping him out in his first year as the Chairman and reflected on the loss of Jeanette Dubb in December 2017.

The Treasurer presented a very comprehensive explanation of the Shul accounts, which showed a decrease in surplus from the previous 12 months, due to unpaid subscriptions and a number of outstanding payments not being received. The Treasurer then reported that with the Shul now having access to on-line banking, payments had been streamlined and all transactions were up-to-date. She also confirmed that the Charity Trust Deeds were now in place and the amended Land Registry documentation was complete.

Concluding her report, the Treasurer felt that the Shul was in a very healthy financial position and she confirmed that Shul subscriptions for 2018/19 would be increased by £4.00 in line with inflation and that there would be an uncontrolled increase by JJBS of £6.00 on optional burial insurance. The Chair then thanked the Treasurer for all her hard work and dedication to the accounts and proposed that the accounts be adopted by the AGM. This was seconded and approved unanimously.

Following a brief explanation regarding the role of co-opted members, the Chair declared the Shul Council for 2018/2019 was as follows:

Chair:	Andrew Harbert
Vice Chair:	Philip O'Driscoll
Secretary:	Joanne Kearsley
Treasurer:	Aimi Sugarman (Temporary)
Senior Warden:	Malcolm Rosenberg
Council Members:	Henry Goldstone, Audrey Sugarman and Elaine Winetroube
Co-opted:	Chris Lilley, Jim Lightowler and Shirley Cassidy
Honorary Life Member:	Ian Sugarman

The members were informed that during the next 12 months, the aim of the Shul, assisted by its members, would be to move the Shul forward. This would involve consolidating its investments, clearing the classrooms of unnecessary clutter, recycling as much as possible by having the necessary bins for the recycling and a range of other activities. It was also suggested that the Shul examine its Core Values and arrange to visit other communities on the dates when the Shul does not have its own Shabbat Service.

As there was no other business the Chair thanked all the members who had supported the AGM and closed the meeting at 7.04pm.

Date of next Council meeting – Friday 10 August 2018



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THE HULL JEWISH COMMUNITY GROVE Update

The Hull Jewish Community Grove was initiated in celebration of the 250 years of Jewish life in Hull. We now have official confirmation from JNF UK, that the Grove will be dedicated on **Monday 8th October 2018**, at Yerucham. All who contributed to the Project, are most welcome to attend the dedication ceremony.

Should you wish to attend, please advise Michael as soon as possible, to facilitate catering etc. Transport provided from Tel Aviv.

Hotel booking and car hire etc. can be done by contacting Susan Miller at Travellink (Tel. 020 8931 8000) or at www.travelinkuk.com

PUBLIC RELATIONS WORK

We have been asked by Michael Westerman to include the following article.



I have said previously, but am still not sure how many people in the Community realise, even now, the work done behind the scenes, so to speak, in order to present Orthodox and Reform Judaism and the Jewish Community of Hull, to the wider public of Hull and the East Riding.

The staff and pupils were most appreciative of the “Jewish” input by the 6 speakers input into the ‘Living Faiths” session. All said how much they had learnt from the sessions.

Sharon and Ian Dysch, Prof, John Friend, Anna Grantham, Andy Harbert, Tim Harris, Joanne Kearsley, Phil O’Driscoll, Avril and Les Sugarman, Ian Sugarman, Deborah Wrapson and others, speak about Judaism to Primary and Secondary schoolchildren, as well as students in Years 12 and 13, Further education colleges and also, adult groups.

All, are owed a debt of gratitude, by all of us, working to put forward the positive teachings of Judaism, that filter out into the wider community, in so many varied ways.

This work, done by such committed people from **both** our Synagogues, talking about Judaism and its relevance in today’s world, is more important today, than ever before, as the community at large, is living in dangerous times, for all.

Well done to all concerned. The Community owes you a debt of gratitude.

*NEW YEAR MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
Marie van der Zyl*

5778 will be remembered as the year that the Jewish community came together to say 'Enough is Enough' to anti-semitism. It was unprecedented and heart-warming back in March to see so many people from all parts of the community join like-minded non-Jews and parliamentarians to stand in front of the Palace of Westminster to protest against the anti-semitism that, staggeringly, is tolerated in our country's official party of opposition.



Several aspects of this protest were meaningful. I was gratified by the speed with which we, the Jewish Leadership Council and other partners, devised and executed the idea. We were overwhelmed by the response from the 2,000 people who travelled to Westminster at 24 hours' notice, including more than 30 MPs from Labour and other parties, and friends from the Muslim, Christian, Sikh and Hindu communities. Never has our community made a more powerful statement that we will not tolerate anti-semitism in the Labour Party. Perhaps most important of all was the near unanimity with which we spoke. And it is this unity which we as a community need as we go forward to face challenges such as this.

Although the overwhelming majority of the community were behind us in our protest against anti-semitism, there are issues which do divide us. Of course, we will never agree on everything but there is a right and a wrong way to disagree. For example, when the Kaddish for Gaza event took place following the Hamas-sponsored violent protests at the border with Israel, nobody was more appalled than me. However, the tone and tenor of some of the comments aimed at the protesters has bordered on hateful and abusive. Such ferocity does nothing to advance the argument but rather discredits the point being made and leaves our community in a less civil place.

While we must fight against hate, prejudice and injustice, much of my work as President of the Board of Deputies is in promoting projects which work for a positive outcome. My first action as President after my election in May was to travel to Manchester for discussions with leaders of northern communities and the Mayor of Greater Manchester, Andy Burnham, then on to Glasgow and Edinburgh for talks with Scottish First Minister Nicola Sturgeon and discussions with my Scottish Jewish colleagues. I intend to be a leader for all Jews of all denominations across the country and none of us is more important than any other. We also need to reach out beyond our community which is why I have prioritised interfaith work, in particular, creating links with Muslim partners. This summer, for the first time, the Board of Deputies hosted an interfaith Iftar for senior Muslims and Jews including the Chief Rabbi and I have travelled the country meeting Muslims from Leeds to Luton and points in-between. Jews and Muslims have much in common and my objective is to create relationships which will strengthen us all and fight the prejudice and ignorance which has divided us in the past.

This was also the year that in the United Kingdom we celebrated our crucial role in the creation of the State of Israel, with celebrations to mark the 100th anniversary of the Balfour Declaration, culminating in the Parliamentary Balfour Reception, attended by many ministers, MPs and peers. And in this 70th anniversary of the birth of the State of Israel, we have been promoting a dialogue for peace between Israelis and Palestinians through Invest in Peace. This project, undertaken with Christian communities, is interfaith work at its most meaningful, tackling difficult issues positively and head on. We are determined that, rather than import the Middle East conflict, we should work together to support a constructive conversation towards reconciliation.

Those of us who love Israel were delighted that the Duke of Cambridge undertook the first official Royal visit to the country. It would be hard not to be touched by his moving message in the Yad Vashem guest book. And the goodwill and friendship in his speech at the Ambassador's reception left an impression on all of us who were present. A key message of the visit was about the importance of engagement. In addition to supporting coexistence with the young Israeli and Arab footballers, the fact that President Rivlin and President Abbas felt compelled to offer messages of peace in their meetings with the second in line to the British throne was a real tribute to the enduring 'soft power' of the British monarchy. This was clearly a man with a genuine warmth and friendship for the Jewish people and, going into 5779, amid all the political turmoil we have encountered this year, the image of the Duke, both at the Western Wall and, playing football on the beach, gives me wonderful memories to take into the new year.

May this Rosh Hashanah bring you, your families and all of Am Yisrael health, strength and peace.

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NEW YEAR GREETINGS 5779

With the escalating costs of cards and postage why not use your *Shofar Shalom* to send your local Shanah Tovah message. Please complete your greeting IN BLOCK CAPITALS and send it with your remittance for £5.00 to reach 18 Bradgate Park, Kingswood, Hull HU7 3JA **no later than Friday 31 August 2018**. Please make cheques payable to "Hull Reform Synagogue".

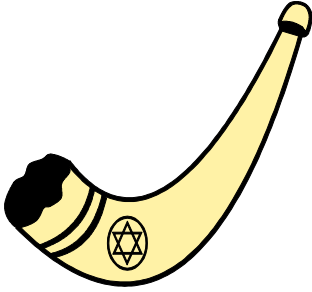
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WHAT IS ROSH HASHANAH?

The Jewish New Year is on 1st day of the Hebrew month of Tishri.

It begins with the festival of Rosh Hashanah (Head of the Year). This starts the ten days of penitence, which end with Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement).



At Rosh Hashanah, people have a chance to look back to the year just gone and forward to the year to come. It is a time for reflection and resolve. It is a happy, though solemn holiday, with the eating of honey cake and apples dipped in honey - symbolising a sweet year to come. A distinctive feature of Rosh Hashanah is the blowing of the Shofar (ram's horn) and the central theme in the synagogue services and prayers is the appeal for a good year

Is Rosh Hashanah biblically based?

In a sense it is. The book of Leviticus Chapter 23 verses 24-25 declares

“In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall observe a day of rest, a memorial proclaimed with the blowing of the shofar, a holy convocation”.

This day eventually became Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, but it was not known as such at that time

How could the first day of the seventh month become the new year?

In ancient times there were four ‘new years’ with different functions. The first of Tishri was the agricultural new year. The Torah refers to Nisan as the first month of the Jewish year. Despite this, however, the first of Tishri emerged as what we now know as Rosh Hashanah.

The Jews living in Babylonia took on the Babylonian belief in a day of Judgement and the custom began of allowing ten days in which to repent their sins before their deeds were sealed into the Book of Life for another year. In addition, the first of Tishri was associated with the anniversary of the creation of the world.

What are its customs and symbols?

In the home, on the eve of the Festival, the blessings for candles, wine and challah (special bread) are recited. The challah is usually round to symbolise the continuing cycle of years and seasons. Just before the Rosh Hashanah meal, apples dipped in honey are eaten in the hope that the new year to come will be sweet.

During the Rosh Hashanah Service the shofar (ram's horn) is blown. Throughout the Bible, the shofar is mentioned as a central element in ritual observance. For example, the shofar was sounded at the new moon and at solemn feasts.

The story of the binding of Isaac in Genesis Chapter 22 is read during the Rosh Hashanah Service. In the story the sacrifice of Isaac is averted through the substitution of a ram for the boy. Although the key message is a statement against human sacrifice, the story also became a basis for blowing a ram's horn on Rosh Hashanah.

**ENGLISH YAHRZEIT DATES WHICH CORRESPOND TO
THE HEBREW DATES FOR RELATIVES OF MEMBERS OF
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Sheila Chetham	18 Aug. 2018	Louis Shields	17 Sep. 2018
Nicholas Rauchwerger	20 Aug. 2018	Parents of Max and	Yom
Cyril Danns	21 Aug. 2018	Annelies Adler	Kippur
Marriane Kuschnitzky	21 Aug. 2018	Helen Goldstone	21 Sep. 2018
Sam Peysner	26 Aug. 2018	Iris Pearce	30 Sep. 2018
Isaac Brookner	29 Aug. 2018	Harry Levy	1 Oct. 2018
David Sugarman	3 Sep. 2018	Wolfe Harris	1 Oct. 2018
Dr Max Adler	5 Sep. 2018	Charlotte Mautner	2 Oct. 2018
Geoffrey Levy	7 Sep. 2018	Leah Furman	2 Oct. 2018
Rebecca Waytzman	7 Sep. 2018	Rita Kelly	7 Oct. 2018
Elic Bermitz	13 Sep. 2018	Annette Segal	7 Oct. 2018

Traditionally, Jewish Yahrzeits are remembered on the Hebrew date, which means that there might be some variation in the English date each year.

If the Hebrew date is observed, it must be remembered that the Yahrzeit starts the evening before.

Memorial prayers for the deceased will be recited during the Friday Night Service for those Yahrzeits which fall during the coming week. If a Yahrzeit falls on a Friday Night, please remember that the prayers will usually be recited during the Friday Night Service the week before.



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FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

Date	Time	Leader	Refreshment Rota
Friday 17 August	7.00pm	Aimi Sugarman	Elaine Winetroube Gill Drummond
Friday 24 August	7.00pm	Sarita Robinson	Christine Joseph-Jay Deborah Wrapson
Friday 31 August	7.00pm	Rabbi Danny Rich	Lesley Annis Joanne Kearsley
Shabbat 1 September (Admission to Faith Ceremony)	10.30am	Ian Sugarman Tony Sevilla-Harland Rabbi Danny Rich	Audrey Sugarman Gillian Smith
Shabbat 1 September (Torah Workshop)	12.15pm	Tony Sevilla-Harland	N/A
Friday 7 September	7.00pm	Phil O'Driscoll Andy Harbert	Deborah Wrapson Gill Drummond
Sunday 9 September (Hull Heritage Open Day)	10.00am	Andy Harbert	N/A
Sunday 9 September (Erev Rosh Hashanah)	7.00pm	Sarita Robinson	Lesley Annis Jackie Lukes
Monday 10 September (Rosh Hashanah)	10.30am	Ian Sugarman Tony Sevilla-Harland	Shirley Cassidy Joanne Kearsley
Friday 14 September	7.00pm	Tony Sevilla-Harland	Christine Joseph-Jay Ann Sevilla-Harland
Tuesday 18 September (Kol Nidre)	7.00pm	Phil O'Driscoll	N/A
Wednesday 19 September (Yom Kippur)	11.00am	Malcolm Rosenberg Ian Sugarman Aimi Sugarman Andy Harbert Phil O'Driscoll Tony Sevilla-Harland	Audrey Sugarman (Havdalah)
Friday 21 September	7.00pm	Mark Huntington	Deborah Wrapson Gill Drummond
Sunday 23 September (Sukkah Building)	10.00am	Ian Sugarman	N/A
Sunday 23 September (Sukkot Service)	7.00pm	Aimi Sugarman	Audrey Sugarman Gillian Smith
Friday 28 September	7.00pm	Malcolm Rosenberg	Shirley Cassidy Joanne Kearsley
Sunday 30 September (Simchat Torah)	7.00pm	Ian Sugarman Tony Sevilla-Harland	Aimi Sugarman Sarita Robinson

If you are unable to take your turn on the **service rota**, please arrange for someone else to take your place.

If you are unable to take your turn on the refreshment rota, please **arrange for someone else to take your place** and **inform Audrey Sugarman** on **(01482) 563835** to ensure that sufficient refreshments are available.

MEMORIAL BOARD

The Synagogue Council would again like to inform members that there is still space available on the Memorial Board for members to purchase a plaque in memory of their loved one(s).

For further details, please contact Henry Goldstone on (01482) 667258.

KIDDUSH SPONSORING

During the year, you might want to mark that special occasion in a unique, yet innovative manner. In order to help you solve your dilemma, the Synagogue Council has agreed to allow the sponsoring of Kiddushim.

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If any members of the Synagogue are aware of, or are contacted by, potential new members, hoping to join our Synagogue, please advise them to contact our Secretary

Joanne Kearsley on 01724 340506
or at joannekearsley@yahoo.co.uk

who will provide them with further information and the necessary application forms.