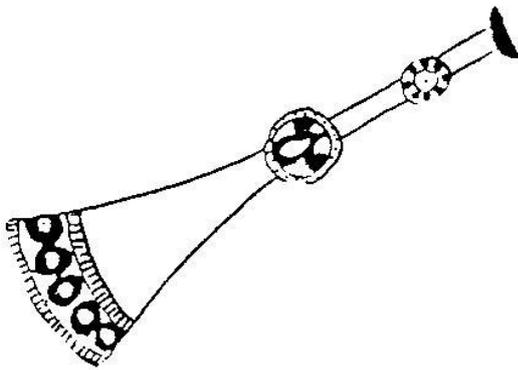
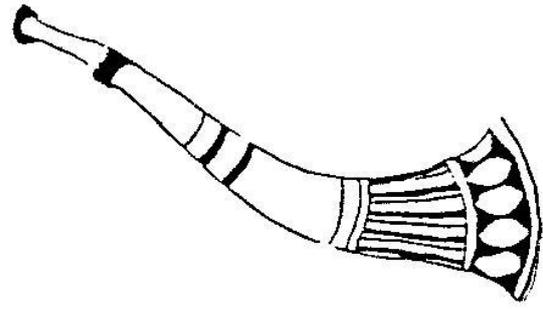


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*The Official Newsletter of Ne've Shalom, the Hull Reform Synagogue*



## *CHAIR'S REPORT*

Tammuz/Av 5779  
July/August 2019

Shalom

I would like to thank all members and friends who attended the Shul AGM on Friday 21 June. The meeting went very well and thank you all again for re-electing me as the Chair for the next 12 months. It's a tremendous honour and I would like to thank everyone for their continued support.

It's also a true pleasure to now welcome Aimi Sugarman as the newly elected Vice Chair. I would like to also welcome Mark Huntington, Tim Harris and Helen Jackman onto the Shul Council. I would also like to thank Malcolm Rosenberg for taking on the Treasurer's role and to Audrey Sugarman for becoming our Senior Warden (again). We now have some remarkable people serving on the Council with a variety of skill-sets and I'm really looking forward to working with them over the next year.

Malcolm has arranged for a speaker from Dove House Hospice (Dan Clipson) to come and deliver a talk about the remarkable work the Hospice undertakes each year in looking after clients in Hull & East Yorkshire. The talk will take place at 6.15pm on Friday 2 August 2019 in the Shul hall.

Following a request by the Conversion Class members, we have decided to have a Sunday morning Kosher outing to Manchester. The plan is to visit Jacksons Row Synagogue, whose history spans back 150 years, have a spot of lunch at the JS Restaurant, visit a few book and Judaica shops and finally stop off at a nearby kosher deli/supermarket on the way back. We have booked a Mini bus from the Synagogue to depart at 9.30am on Sunday 18 August. The transport will be free of charge. The bus is now getting full please can we have final names by 7.00pm on Friday 2 August 2019. Please see page 3 for further details.

I would also like to thank Micha's parents for providing the splendid Kiddush last Friday evening which went down very well. It lovely to see a packed Shul each week! Finally, don't forget that we continue to hold our Friday Night Services every week at 7.00pm and our Shabbat Morning Services at 10.30am on the first Saturday of the month.

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### *RECEIVING THE SHOFAR SHALOM ELECTRONICALLY*



In these current environmentally friendly times, we are offering all members the opportunity to receive the *Shofar Shalom* directly to them by e-mail.

If you do wish to receive your *Shofar Shalom* electronically, please contact Ian Sugarman on [ian@isa.karoo.co.uk](mailto:ian@isa.karoo.co.uk) who will add you to the electronic mailing list.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL



### KOSHER FIELD TRIP TO MANCHESTER

At a recent Conversion Class, some of us were reminiscing about our early Sunday morning salt beef and bagel experiences. As London was too far, it was decided to go on a field trip to experience a kosher Sunday morning in Manchester. The plan is a guided tour of Jacksons Row Synagogue, followed by a spot of lunch at the JS Restaurant (click on the link for the menu <https://jsrestaurant.co.uk/our-menus/>), visit a few book and Judaica shops and finally stop off at a nearby kosher deli/supermarket on the way back.

We have booked a Mini bus from the Synagogue to depart at **9.30am** on **Sunday 18 August 2019**. All members and friends of Ne've Shalom are welcome to join us, but there very few seats left. Transport will be free of charge. Please contact Helen on 07884 432 329, or at [helen@hsts.co.uk](mailto:helen@hsts.co.uk) to reserve a seat.

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### PAYMENT OF SUBSCRIPTIONS 2019/20



At our recent AGM, the outgoing Treasurer confirmed that there will be no increase in membership. The optional burial insurance premium, however, has been set independently by the Joint Jewish Burial Society (JJBS) and therefore was not under the control of the synagogue.

The subscription rates for single, family and 18-30 memberships and for the optional JJBS burial insurance scheme will be included in the letter to be sent to all members and friends of Ne've Shalom.

If you have still not received a letter regarding your membership by the end of July 2019, please contact Malcolm by telephone on (01482) 846712 or at [rosenbergequal@gmail.com](mailto:rosenbergequal@gmail.com). Subscriptions can be paid in one lump sum or by standing order, but subscriptions need to be **paid in full by 31 March 2020**. For more advice on how to pay, please contact Malcolm.

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### HULL JEWISH COMMUNITY CARE (HJCC)

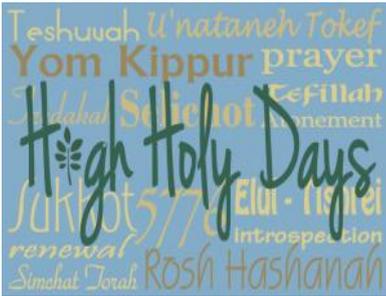


For information, to all the friends of the Friendly Circle, the next event in our calendar will be held at the **Pryme Street Synagogue** on **Wednesday 21 August 2019** at **2.00pm**. That afternoon, we have invited a lady from the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust, whom quite a lot of you will know – Sarah Booth. She will be talking about the work of the Trust in our area.

As well as this, you will have the chance to chat with your friends, followed by the usual sumptuous repast. We would love to see all our usual friends plus anyone else who would enjoy a special afternoon, especially the younger members of the community. 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).

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES 5780



Due to the spiralling costs of obtaining a Student Rabbi to lead and conduct our High Holy Day Services, the Council decided some years ago to only request a Student Rabbi every other two years. It was also felt by the Council, and many of the members, that we, as a Shul, had members who were more than capable of conducting our High Holy Day Services and producing original sermons.

This year, therefore, we intend to lead and conduct our High Holy Day Services ourselves. We already have a number of Lay Readers, however, if you would like to be involved in leading part of the Services, please contact Ian Sugarman at [ian@isa.karoo.co.uk](mailto:ian@isa.karoo.co.uk) or at (01482) 835864 as soon as possible. As in recent years, we are quite prepared to use joint Service Leaders to support those who feel inexperienced.

Likewise, if you would like 'have a go' a writing an original 10/15 minute sermon for Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre or Yom Kippur, again please contact Ian.

This a real opportunity to not only attend the Erev Rosh Hashanah, Rosh Hashanah, Kol Nidre and Yom Kippur Services, but also to experience the spirituality of being actively involved in the ceremonies and liturgy of the High Holy Day Services.

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### HULL HERITAGE OPEN DAY

Established in 1994, Heritage Open Days is England's contribution to the European Heritage Days and has since grown into the country's largest heritage festival.



Every September, Heritage Open Days (organised centrally by the National Trust, and locally by civic societies and other amenity bodies) opens historic buildings and provides events such as walks and talks. Locally, this is done by the Beverley Civic Society in conjunction with Hull Civic Society. The initiative encourages the public to come and see buildings not usually open, take part in historic area walks, listen to short talks, etc. Everything is free, including the brochure of events.

For more details and to receive a free brochure please contact John Netherwood, the Projects Director of Hull Civic Society on (01482) 653 657 or at [opendays@hullcivicsoc.info](mailto:opendays@hullcivicsoc.info)

On **Sunday morning 15 September 2019 at 10.00am**, Ne've Shalom will again be opening its doors to the public, as one of the officially recognised Heritage Open Day events. We will be providing an opportunity for visitors to look around the Synagogue, talk to those members present and examine the Ark, Scrolls and other artefacts. Last year, this proved to be an extremely popular event with the public, as we had over 60 visitors to the Shul.

Although we already have some volunteers to assist us, if you do wish to help us to meet and greet, please contact Andy on either 01482 330 510 or 07736 397 858 or at [andy@hsts.co.uk](mailto:andy@hsts.co.uk)

# *NE'VE SHALOM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING*

*21 June 2019*

**Present** - Andrew Harbert (Chair), Joanne Kearsley (Secretary), Aimi Sugarman (Treasurer), Elaine Winetroube, Audrey Sugarman, Helen Jackman, Malcolm Rosenberg, Henry Goldstone, Shirley Cassidy, Lesley Annis, Sarita Robison, Mark Huntington, Chris Blackburn, Tim Harris, Neil Jackson, Ian Sugarman (Life President)

## **Business**

The Chair reported that the Shul had now produced a list of its Core Values, which would be published in the Shofar Shalom. Following the concerns raised at the previous AGM regarding the Shul's current compliance with Food Safety and Hygiene regulations, the Chair reported that a full implementation of the food hygiene requirements and guidelines had been completed and that the Shul was fully compliant with current the Food Safety and Hygiene regulations. He thanked all those involved in the implementation process.

The Chair 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 also thanked Ian for his help and support. He also remarked how sad it was that we had lost one of our Council members, Chris Lilley, two members, Sydney Bush and Doreen Lurie-King, as well as a dear Friend of the Shul, Olive Rozner, since last year. He also remarked on the very successful Open Night in February and the Communal Seder Service at Passover and thanked everyone who contributed to make these occasions a success. He also reported on a series of successful Festival Services, one of best Simchat Torah's we have had for a long time and a splendid BBQ afternoon to mark the 71st Anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel.

The Treasurer presented a very comprehensive explanation of the Shul accounts, which showed a significant increase in surplus from the previous year, due to the collection of outstanding subscriptions and outstanding payments, including two years of Gift Aid, being received. The Treasurer concluded her report by saying that as the Shul was in a healthy financial position, Shul subscriptions for 2019/20 would remain the same, but there would be an uncontrolled increase of £6.00 for the optional JJBS burial insurance. Subscription letters would be sent to all members and Friends of Ne've Shalom over the next few weeks. The Chair then thanked the Treasurer for all her hard work and dedication in managing the finances of the Shul and its legal obligations and proposed that the accounts be adopted by the AGM. This was seconded and approved unanimously, following which those present showed their appreciation.

The Secretary announced that she had received a number of nomination papers, but had only one nomination for each position. The Chair therefore declared that the members of the Shul Council were as follows:

Chair:	Andrew Harbert
Vice Chair:	Aimi Sugarman
Secretary:	Joanne Kearsley
Treasurer:	Malcolm Rosenberg
Senior Warden:	Audrey Sugarman
Council Members:	Henry Goldstone
	Mark Huntington
	Elaine Winetroube

The Chair confirmed that all subscribing members of the Shul had received timely notification of the amendments as required by section 44 of the Constitution and asked for any comments on the proposed amendments. The question of mixed burials was raised and the meeting was informed that the East Riding Council's regulations clearly stated that those with a non-Jewish status could not be interred in the Jewish section of Tranby Lane Cemetery. It was also pointed out that only full members of the Shul could be interred.

There being no further questions or comments, the meeting voted by over the requisite two-thirds of members present to approve the amendments, with one abstention and one against.

A suggestion was raised regarding the possibility of engaging a student Rabbi for selected Friday night/Shabbat morning services throughout the year. The Chair agreed to look into this.

**Date of next Council meeting** – Friday 9 August 2019 at 6.00pm

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## *NE'VE SHALOM VISION AND CORE VALUES*

### **WE ARE COMMITTED TO:-**

**Community** - Embracing our members at every stage of their lives, offering friendship, compassion and acts of kindness.

**Education/Torah** - Providing meaningful Jewish learning experiences to nurture an environment of lifelong learning.

**Israel** - Supporting the State of Israel as a pluralistic, culturally diverse, democratic Jewish state: and supporting Jews and the Reform movement around the world.

**Life Cycle** - Creating and sharing powerful transformative Jewish moments in our lives.

**Outreach** - Welcoming interfaith families, the unaffiliated, and people of all ages, races, abilities and sexual orientation.

**Social Action** - Engaging in acts of tikkun olam (repairing the world) that lead to greater justice, righteousness and human dignity.

**Tradition** - Honouring the history of our congregation and preserving the heritage of Jewish people.

**Volunteerism/engagement** - Developing a culture of engagement through giving of time and resources according to each person's ability. Treating each other and the public with respect during these times.

**Worship** - Creating sacred and inspiring worship experiences that enrich our spiritual lives both personally and communally. Treating each other respectfully during times of worship.

**Youth** - Respecting and instilling a solid foundation of Jewish connection in our young people, and empowering them to be a positive force in the world.

## *CHAIR'S REPORT TO THE AGM 2019*

*We never usually publish the Chair's report in full, but as it's only the second one given by our Chair to the AGM, we thought it deserved a wider audience.*

I would now like to give the Chair report on the Shul's activities between last year's AGM up to this year's AGM.

Again it was another true honour to be elected as the Chairman of Hull Reform Synagogue for the second year running.

Firstly, I would like to thank the Shul Council and the members and the Friends of the Shul for their continued support of my chairmanship over the past 12 months. It is really appreciated and I could not have done it without you all and please remember we are only volunteers and a lot of us have full time jobs and many other commitments as well.

One person I would like to thank is Ian Sugarman, our Life President, who has helped me out so much over the last two years pointing me in the right direction and who has always been in the back ground to help me out as the Chairman of our wonderful traditional Shul. Ian still continues to produce the monthly Shofar Shalom, keeps the website up to date and does a lot of work behind the scenes to keep things running smoothly in the Shul.

I feel the last 12 months went smoothly, any hiccups along the way we seemed to smooth them out without too much pain. We had series of successful Festival Services, one amazing Open Friday Night Service in February, one of best Simchat Torah's we've had for a long time. We had splendid BBQ afternoon to mark the 71st Anniversary of the state of Israel. Unfortunately, we lost 3 members of the Shul in the past 12 months, Doreen Lurie-King, Sydney Bush and Chris Lilley. We also lost a dear friend of the Shul, Olive Rosner. They will all be sadly missed and we wish the family a "Long life".

The Hull Jewish Community Care's monthly Friendly Circle continued throughout the year, being held at Pryme Street Synagogue.

Our excellent team of highly skilled Lay Readers took this year High Holy Day Services. Attendances at all Service was very good. We had some wonderful sermons within the services by Tim Harris, Jackie Lukes and Sarita Robinson. It was also pleasing that we again received such a generous response to our High Holy Day Appeal. I would also like to thank our Senior Warden, Malcolm Rosenberg, along with Ian Sugarman, for all their work and effort in organising the readings and the mitzvots.

This year's Simchat Torah Service was amazing. The turn-out was staggering and I know that your attendance at the Service made it an extra-special evening for our Kalah Torah and Chatan B'resheet, Gillian Smith and Tim Harris. Aimi provided this year's splendid catering and had made allowances for a large turn-out and was more than able to "feed the masses". During and after the Service, the Shul had a great fun atmosphere and it does show that when our community does pull together a good time is had by all. Can I thank all those who helped with the preparation and brought the sweets for the young (and not so young) participants in the procession.

Following on from Simchat Torah Service, Lesley Annis had the tremendous honour to unveil a large brass plaque in dedication to Geoffrey Levy and Aubrey Gordon, who were the first spiritual leaders and Life Presidents of Ne've Shalom Synagogue. Without these two fine upstanding committed individuals, the Shul would not be in existence today.

While I'm on the subject of thanking people and I would like to also thank another wonderful person, Geoffrey's Levy's daughter, Cec Sugarman, who later became the Chair of the Shul. Cec also followed in her father's footsteps with her commitment to the Shul. Cec still continues in the background to offer outstanding help and support to me as the challenges faced of being the Chair of the Shul.

Due to the previous successes of our Open Friday Night Service, we organised one in February. We had in excess of 80 people attending the service. These events always generate a fabulous atmosphere and a 'feel good' impression on the wider community. I would like to thank Ian for helping me in providing such a splendid Service. Following the Service, the visitors had a chance to try some wonderful Jewish style food. Thank you to all those people involved in the preparation. Following on from that Service, we now have welcomed some friends to the Shul, who now attend Services on a regular basis.

We had the great honour of Rabbi Danny Rich visiting the Shul to conduct Gill Drummond's Admission to the Faith ceremony. Rabbi Danny, who invited himself at the last minute, also took the Torah service, as well as a study session. It was a great to see him again.

In August, Helen, Aimi, Sarita, Ian and I attended David and Suzanne's Wedding Chuppah at Sukkot Shalom in London. It was a lavish affair and we wish them both mazeltov.

I would like to thank Ian for taking the Chanukah service, following which we held a race night and the winning team went home with an unforgettable gift voucher for a 100 Shekels to be spent in Woolworths. We had many members attend this year fabulous Purim service. As is the tradition, members dressed up for the evening. Our team of highly skilled judges, Audrey and Henry, voted for the best dressed and we had the pleasure of Veronica recording the scores. The winners, Sarah, Ian and myself went home with a wonderful and useful prize. We also held services for Tu B'Shevat, Shavuot and Sukkot. I'd like to thank Ian for leading these Services and for the team who erected and decorated our Sukkah. We had a range of some interesting and unusual fruit appear this year.

Our Communal Seder, which corresponded to the first night of Pesach was a great success. I would like to thank Deborah Wrapson for co-ordinating the evening. I would also like to thank Joanne, Shirley and Chris for the organisation of the Seder tables and all the many helpers who also prepared the wonderful food for the Seder. Malcolm Rosenberg led this year's tremendous service and I received truly remarkable feedback about the service. Well done Malcolm.

Ian Sugarman was duly elected as the Chairman of the Reform Movement Northern Network group. Our own Sarita Robinson has been promoted to the Reform Movement's Director of Community Partnership (North) ..... mazeltov to you both.

We took part in the Hull Heritage open day when we opened the Shul doors to the public. The event was a huge success and we had in excess of 60 people visiting the Shul. Thank you to all the helpers who made this possible.

Following the Tree of Life Synagogue shootings in Pittsburgh on 27 October, Aimi lead a truly moving memorial service for the victims, which took place during the following Friday Night Service. Thank you Aimi. A large number of members and friends of Ne've Shalom attended the Annual Service of Remembrance at the Pryme Street Synagogue. One of our members, Andrew Percy MP, was an invited guest. During the course of the year we have held several film shows. We have had a fantastic turn out from both Shuls and all enjoyed the cinema style snacks and drinks provided by Aimi.

Our Hebrew reading and conversion classes have now recommenced again for Sarah, Rebecca and Adrian. I wish them all well on the amazing journey they are taking. I'd like to thank Deborah Wrapson for giving up every other Sunday morning to help those wanting to learn to read Hebrew and also to Ian Sugarman for running the conversion classes.

Audrey continues to visit the sick and Ian has been kept busy as the Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust's Jewish chaplain, training the staff on Jewish traditions and visiting the sick in hospital. Malcolm is in the process of been appointed as the Prison Chaplain. A word of warning. Please keep out of hospital or jail, otherwise, you will receive a visit from one of these three!

We continue to be well represented in the media, especially on BBC Radio Humberside, who regularly request our member's contributions to their Sunday morning and weekday slots, as well as comments on current religious events. I'd like to thank Ian, Jackie, Aimi and Sarita for helping to represent our Shul so admirably.

At this point, I must mention a number of people who quietly carry out a range of important duties which allows our Shul to run. I know many of them don't do this for the thanks, but for the good of the Shul and at their own expense too, but I'd like to thank them anyway.

Firstly, to Henry Goldstone for his remarkable skill in lighting the candles on the memorial plaques each week and arranging the new plaques from the engraving company.

Also to Deborah Wrapson for co-ordinating the educational visits, talking about Judaism to schools, clubs and a whole range of organisations. Thanks go to the team of helpers which includes Joanne, Jackie, Tim, Ian, Malcolm, Shirley and Vicky.

To Audrey Sugarman, for organising the rota, and to all those other ladies, and some gentlemen, who prepared many of the Festival and special Kiddushim, especially Lesley Annis and Gillian Smith.

Elaine Winetroube for ensuring that the telephone answer phone messages left, are directed to correct people to deal with. Also special thanks to Elaine for obtaining a new fantastic deal for our gas and electric supplies saving us a staggering £600.00 per year!

Thank you also to Ian for dealing the endless e-mails, some nice and some not-so-nice, which arrive each day.

I would also like to thank Joanne Kearsley for all her hard work as the Shul Secretary and my special thanks to our Senior Warden, Malcolm Rosenberg, for ensuring the services run smoothly and 'jumping in' at last moment to take services. I would also like to thank our team excellent highly skilled Lay readers for taking the services and especially to Tony for reading the Torah in such wonderful style. Thanks also go to Ann for her splendid reading of the Haftarah.

I would like to give special thanks to Aimi for the endless hours and days she has given up looking after the Shul accounts, ensuring our creditors are paid on time and securing better deals for services provided to the Shul. Aimi has also looked after the Shul's legal affairs and we all know how very time consuming that can be. Please can I also thank her for standing in as the Vice Chair for the last few months, as well as all her continued support she have given me. Aimi also attended the Seminar regarding Safeguarding at Jacksons Row Synagogue in Manchester. Thank you so much.

As part of our ongoing commitment to the environment and the climate, we have now replaced 76% of our light fittings with new LED low energy light bulbs. We now recycle our waste in designated bins, we have reduced our use of plastic items within the Shul. During the year, it was also agreed to designate a toilet for gender-neutral use.

I still continue have some good links with in Humberside Police and I have been attending monthly meetings to help assist with this. During the year, I have reported some hate crime to the Police which have been directed at the Jewish Community. I'm pleased to report that following on from these reports, the Police have made several arrests.

We managed to draw down some money from the Community Security Trust (CST) during the year to fund a security company to guide the Shul door for services. Sadly, this funding ceased at end of March. The police ensure me they still patrol the area on a regular basis.

We have now got a new CCTV system in place to cover the Shul and the car parking area.

Sadly, James the caretaker retired last October. In the later years of being our caretaker, James was finding it hard to undertake the general upkeep and repairs of the Shul, which often resulted in the employment external contractors to complete these works. Due to this, it was deep regret that James decided to retire from his role. Luckily, Chris Cassidy came forward and offered his services to help maintain and clean the Shul assisted by Shirley. I'm delighted to report that the general upkeep and cleanliness of the Shul is now much improved from before and we have cut the costs down significantly by not employing external personnel. Thank you Chris and Shirley.

Finally, I received a comment from an upstanding member of the Shul whilst doing the announcements on the Bimah in the middle of winter. She said "What is about the past and present Chairman who always wear short sleeved shirts in the middle of winter." I explained that this was a pre-requisite of being the Chair of the Shul. You're always feeling the heat!

One other special person I would also thank is Helen, my wife, for all the help and support she has given to me over the last year as the Chair. Sorry if I have get on your nerves at times, dear, but thank you anyway.

Let's all hope that we all have a well and healthy next year!

Amen

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## *SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL*

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## *TZOM TAMMUZ - FAST OF THE 17TH OF TAMMUZ*

*In addition to Yom Kippur, the Talmud (Tractate Rosh Hashana 18b) discusses four further fast days (based on Zechariah 8:19) that commemorate the destruction of the First and Second Temples and the exile of the Jewish People from their homeland. Three of these fast days are Tisha B'Av - the Ninth of Av, Tzom Gedaliah – the third of Tishri and Asara B'Tevet - the 10th of Tevet. The fourth, Tzom Tammuz is explained by Rabbi Moshe Lazerus in the following article which first appeared on the web site Aish.com*

The 17th of Tammuz is a fast day commemorating the fall of Jerusalem, prior to the destruction of the first Temple. This also marks the beginning of a 3-week period of mourning, leading up to Tisha B'Av. If the 17th of Tammuz falls on Shabbat, as it does this year, the fast is postponed until Sunday (21 July 2019). The 17th of Tammuz is the first of four fast days mentioned in the prophets. The purpose of a fast day is to awaken our sense of loss over the destroyed Temple – and the subsequent Jewish journey into exile.

Agonizing over these events is meant to help us conquer those spiritual deficiencies which brought about these tragic events. Through the process of "Teshuva" – self-introspection and a commitment to improve – we have the power to transform tragedy into joy. In fact, the Talmud says that after the future redemption of Israel and the rebuilding of the Temple, these fast days will be re-dedicated as days of rejoicing and festivity. For as the prophet Zechariah says: the 17th of Tammuz will become a day of "joy to the House of Judah, and gladness and cheerful feasts."

Five great catastrophes occurred in Jewish history on the 17th of Tammuz:

- 1) Moses broke the tablets at Mount Sinai – in response to the sin of the Golden Calf.
- 2) The daily offerings in the First Temple were suspended during the siege of Jerusalem, after the Kohanim could no longer obtain animals.
- 3) Jerusalem's walls were breached, prior to the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 CE.
- 4) Prior to the Great Revolt, the Roman general Apostamos burned a Torah scroll – setting a precedent for the horrifying burning of Jewish books throughout the centuries.
- 5) An idolatrous image was placed in the Sanctuary of the Holy Temple – a brazen act of blasphemy and desecration.

(Originally, the fast was observed on the Ninth of Tammuz since that was the day Jerusalem fell prior to the destruction of the First Temple in 586 BCE. However, after Jerusalem fell on the 17th of Tammuz – prior to the destruction of the Second Temple – the Sages decided upon a combined observance for both tragedies, the 17th of Tammuz.)

Abstaining from food and drink is the external element of a fast day. On a deeper level, a fast day is an auspicious day, a day when G-d is accessible, waiting for us to repent.

The sages explain: "Every generation for which the Temple is not rebuilt, it is as though the Temple was destroyed for that generation." A fast day is not only a sad day, but an opportune day. It's a day when we are empowered to fix the cause of that destruction, so that our long exile will be ended and we will find ourselves living in messianic times; may that be very soon.

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## *ENGLISH YAHRZEIT DATES WHICH CORRESPOND TO THE HEBREW DATES FOR RELATIVES OF MEMBERS OF NEVE SHALOM - THE HULL REFORM SYNAGOGUE*

Jim Smith	23 July 2019	Barbara Bennett	13 Aug. 2019
Tessa Pliener	29 July 2019	Harry Tessler	1 Sep. 2019
Becky Furman	31 July 2019	Sheila Chetham	7 Sep. 2019
Bert Goldstone	4 Aug. 2019	Nicholas Rauchwerger	9 Sep. 2019
Solly Bermitz	4 Aug. 2019	Cyril Danns	10 Sep. 2019
Ann Greenstone	4 Aug. 2019	Marriane Kuschnitzky	10 Sep. 2019
Malcolm Gold	7 Aug. 2019	Sam Peysner	15 Sep. 2019
Alan Hillel Gerstein	10 Aug. 2019	Isaac Brookner	18 Sep. 2019
Bernard Annis	11 Aug. 2019	David Sugarman	23 Sep. 2019
Samuel Rosenthal	13 Aug. 2019	Dr Max Adler	25 Sep. 2019

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*

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Refreshment Rota</b>
Friday 19 July	7.00pm	Ian Sugarman	Gillian Smith Sarah James
Friday 26 July	7.00pm	Sarita Robinson	Christine Joseph Jay Rebecca Verlander
<b>Friday 2 August (Dove House Presentation)</b>	<b>6.15pm</b>	<b>Dan Clipson</b>	<b>N/A</b>
Friday 2 August	7.00pm	Malcolm Rosenberg	Joanne Kearsley Shirley Cassidy
<b>Shabbat 3 August</b>	10.30am	Ian Sugarman Tony Sevilla-Harland	Ann Sevilla-Harland Audrey Sugarman
Sunday 4 August <b>(Hebrew Reading Class)</b>	10.30am	Deborah Wrapson	N/A
Sunday 4 August <b>(Conversion Class)</b>	11.30am	Ian Sugarman	N/A
Friday 9 August <b>(Council Meeting)</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>	Andy Harbert	N/A
Friday 9 August	7.00pm	Ian Sugarman	Elaine Winetroube Chris Blackburn
Friday 16 August	7.00pm	Mark Huntington	Ian Sugarman Andy Harbert
<b>Sunday 18 August (Manchester Kosher Field Trip)</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	Helen Jackman	N/A
Friday 23 August	7.00pm	Ian Sugarman	Audrey Sugarman Jackie Lukes
Sunday 25 August <b>(Hebrew Reading Class)</b>	10.30am	Deborah Wrapson	N/A
Sunday 25 August <b>(Conversion Class)</b>	11.30am	Ian Sugarman	N/A
Friday 30 August	7.00pm	Sarita Robinson	Gill Drummond Rebecca Verlander
Friday 6 September	7.00pm	Malcolm Rosenberg	Joanne Kearsley Shirley Cassidy
<b>Shabbat 7 September</b>	10.30am	Ian Sugarman Tony Sevilla-Harland	Ann Sevilla-Harland Audrey Sugarman
Friday 13 September	7.00pm	Aimi Sugarman	Elaine Winetroube Chris Blackburn
Sunday 15 September <b>(Hull Heritage Open Day)</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	Andy Harbert	N/A

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.

If you would like further details, or wish to reserve a particular date, please contact Audrey Sugarman on (01482 563835)



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## *POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS*



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](mailto:joannekearsley@yahoo.co.uk)

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