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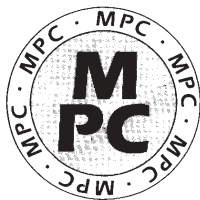
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MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Vacancies for two Parish Councillors

There are two vacancies for Parish Councillors and they provide an opportunity for someone to help and contribute to the Martlesham community

The role of a parish councillor is varied and interesting as it involves many aspects of the community; it is a voluntary position involving usually only two meetings per month and the amount of any other time needed is as little or as much as you may wish to make of the role. If you are interested in helping to improve your community, perhaps you disagree with some of the things that the parish council does, or maybe you feel that your part of the parish needs better representation, please contact the Clerk who can provide further details or speak to any councillor

One vacancy can be filled by co-optation at the Parish Council Meeting but the second vacancy is being advertised (on the parish notice boards) to see if an election is wanted; if no election is called then this vacancy can also be filled by co-optation

Parish Plan

The Parish Council has agreed to proceed with a Parish Plan and consider setting up a steering committee to co-ordinate the work. The purpose of the plan is to consult with all residents to find out what are their views, concerns, needs and aspirations regarding all aspects of our community. We can then work to plan to fulfill or resolve these as much as we are able and try to further improve the community and its facilities. The plan will also be very useful in our liaison with and consultations from the district and county councils and other agencies. Anybody who may be interested in helping with this please let the Clerk know.

Litter and dog bins

The parish council has reviewed the provision of litter and dog bins throughout the parish which has confirmed that there is adequate bins for most areas. It will be considering one or two problem areas and ensuring that the bins do get emptied regularly. We would encourage everybody to ensure that bins are used but if there is any particular problem still please let the Clerk know.

Skateboarders

A number of young people use the various open spaces, car parks etc.

for skateboarding, biking etc. but unfortunately there are occasional complaints about them.

We do not wish to limit or spoil these activities but would ask that:

-they act safely and responsibly,
-they do not cause a nuisance or danger to others,

-they do not leave litter or debris but clear up when they have finished.

Website

There is now a Martlesham Parish Council website with lots of information about the parish, the parish council and parish activities; we welcome any comments or suggestions. Its address is www.martlesham.suffolk.govuk

Meetings

Parish Council - Wednesday 12th June and 3rd July
Development Plans Committee - Wednesday 19th June
Recreation & Amenities Committee - Wednesday 26th June

All meetings are at 7-30 pm in the Parish Room, Felixstowe Road but please check the notice boards for further details of the above and other meetings.

All meetings are open to the public and there is an opportunity at Council meetings for residents to ask questions or make comments to the council.

The Council have adopted the new Model Code of Practice (as have most other councils) which will help ensure that your parish council continues to be fully open in its business and accountable to all parishioners.

Contacting the Council

In writing to the Clerk, Martlesham Parish Council Office, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham, Woodbridge 1P12 4PB.

Telephone or fax 01473 612632

Via any councillor.

E-mail

martleshampc@btclick.com

Laurence Burrows - Chairman

Dear Parents

We all have a problem. Do you have teenagers that go out with their friends in the evenings? Do they complain that they have nowhere to go and nothing to do? Are you aware that the police are breaking up and moving on groups of teenagers if they are in groups of 3? Have you received a letter from the police stating that your teenager has done nothing wrong but they want to keep them out of trouble in the future? Several householders in this area are phoning the police regularly to complain about teenagers.

We can all do something to help solve these problems. We like living in this area. We understand that there is little for the teenagers to do. We think teenagers are getting a raw deal.

We are prepared to do things to make life better for everyone.

We need:- a large group of parents that are willing to give up a small amount of time, the larger the group the less time we would all have to

give. We want to use the Youth Club at Kesgrave High School as a "drop in center" on a Wednesday evening and need parents to run a coffee bar, the more parents on a rota system men that it could be your turn once every couple of months – is that really too much to ask ?

Help with fundraising so the teenagers can have the teen shelters that they want and need. We need people with ideas that can involve the teenagers so that they can have pride in their shelters and will look after them.

Everyone is busy so ask yourselves – is our child worth it – YES THEY ARE !

Please contact Julie Price – 01473 622732 for further information and to join the rota. Thank you.

MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

(Registered Charity 273769)

Steady progress on all projects to report this month + finalised plans for that midsummer extravaganza at 'Jaydene' on June 21st – see advert elsewhere in Monthly.

SKATE PARK (Rosy Scott leading)

Rosy reports that they will be setting up a club shortly to formalise the project with the teenagers. This will help raise awareness with the skaters and BMX bikers as well as promoting safety and first aid and getting them involved in raising money and the design of a proposed skate park when the project is launched in the summer. Rosy still needs more input, especially from BMX riders. The working party is called 'friction' (nothing to do with internal politics I'm assured!). If you'd like to get involved please contact Rosy on 610440 or email rosy.scott@talk21.com

SPORTS HALL (Jackie Bear leading)

The joint Martlesham & Kesgrave working party have appointed an architect and have confirmed the meeting with Sport England (for a lottery grant) at the end of May to seek pre-application advice. They have also confirmed that the value of the land donated to the project can be counted as a contribution to the overall cost. If you are interested in an indoor sport and want to see something set up or for more information, contact Jackie on 623007 or e-mail jacque.bear@btinternet.com

SPORTS & SOCIAL CENTRE (Jackie Bear & Chris Green leading)

This the new name for the project at the Recreation Ground. The history of this has been a bit drawn out – original planning permission for a brick construction was gained some years ago. Progress has been made on the infrastructure (new entrance, road, retaining wall). Active discussions are now taking place between MCC, Parish Council and the (old) Village Hall Committee on what are the best options going forward for the community with a cheaper

wooden building on the drawing board for consideration.

FUND RAISING

We are also supporting Martlesham in Bloom and their sponsored walk event on Sunday 8th September at the Recreation Ground. We will hopefully be able to report on progress with the 'Sports & Social Centre' project and are looking for any volunteers to go on the sponsored walk and raise funds for MCC projects.

Dave (MCC scribe and bass singer *e x t r o d i n a i r e*), dave.green@btinternet.com

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL LOCALITY BUDGET 2001/ 2002

Martlesham organisations have received funding for the projects listed.

Martlesham Cricket Club £2000 to replace artificial square on village green

Martlesham Brass £900 to fund the provision of new instruments

Martlesham Community Council £1500 to part fund provision of drought garden at North Green car park and £500 to provide direction sign and trees at Recreation Ground.

Martlesham Community Hall Management Committee £500 to part fund kitchen refurbishment at Community Hall

Portal Avenue Woodland Group £1200 to help purchase chipper shredder to aid conservation and tree management of the area.

Martlesham Heath Aviation Society £738 to replace glass panels in the display cabinets at the Control Tower museum

Beaconhill County Primary School Governors £1500 to provide fencing for extension to playing field.

Pavilion Management Committee £76 to provide new sign for The Pavilion Kesgrave High School £1000 towards additional cycle racks.

If you are involved with any local organisations that could do with some financial help towards their projects please write to Councillor John Kelso at 115, Carlford Close, Martlesham Heath IP5 3TA

MARTLESHAM IN BLOOM

JUBILEE GARDEN PARTY. See entry below.

SUMMER COMPETITIONS.

We will have competition forms at the Jubilee Garden Party and various outlets in the village, looking forward to seeing displays.

Don't forget to tell us of the area or place you think needs to be put forward for an entry by 31st July.

ANGLIA IN BLOOM.

Judges will be coming sometime in July to judge the parish; we usually get told the day two or three weeks

before, date will hopefully be in July Monthly.

VILLAGE DAY.

We will be having pitches at this event selling plants and notelets, also available will be the competition forms and information about the "Jubilee Sponsored Fun Walk" Sunday 8th September and "Adopt a River" campaign. JUBILEE SPONSORED FUN WALK SUNDAY 8th SEPTEMBER.

The sponsored walk will take place from 2.30pm to 4.00pm and is round the Recreation Ground and Kronjie's Piece (next door piece of land) the course is approximately a half a mile and takes about ten minutes to walk.

The afternoon event will be open from 1pm and finishing approximately 5.30pm.

Martlesham Bowls Club will be having their bowls pavilion open for refreshments etc.

The Red Lion are sponsoring a Three Course meal for Two as a Lucky sponsor form.

Martlesham Antiques have offered car parking space.

They will be a raffle of a painting of the River Fynn by a local artist Sonya Burrows.

Suffolk Offset are sponsoring us by printing our forms.

All clubs, societies and many businesses should have received information on the walk by the middle of June, if you have not please get in touch with me address below.

This is a Jubilee Event for the village please take part and help your charity or club. We are hoping to have other stalls going on during the afternoon.

Additional information or forms please contact

J. Maureen Burrows (secretary)
Martlesham in Bloom / Millennium, 17 Squires Lane, Martlesham Heath, Tel: 625196

MARTLESHAM MILLENNIUM

MILLENNIUM DROUGHT GARDEN.

The garden is on land to the north of The Centre Martlesham Heath by the car park; it is managed by the parish council under a licence from the owners (for whom Bidwells are the agent). The hard landscaping will be starting in the middle of June by the contractor.

When this is finished we hope to put some bedding plants in some parts just for the Summer, then in the Autumn we will have a landscape plan ready for shrubs and trees etc.

If any group or individual would like to help with planting or sponsor some of the plants we would be very pleased with any help. Contact name J. Maureen Burrows (Secretary) Martlesham in Bloom / Millennium, 17 Squires Lane Martlesham Heath Tel. 01473 625196.

**Martlesham In Bloom &
Martlesham Community
Council**

**JUBILEE GARDEN PARTY
6.30pm**

**Friday 21st June 2002
At "Jaydene" Main Road,
Martlesham.**

**Entrance £3.00
including Refreshments
Book Stall,
Quintessential
(Barbershop Group),
Cake Stall, Helen P
Burrows (Keyboard),
Raffle, Pant Stall, Cheese
and Wine**

Martlesham Community Council:
Contact Jackie Bear Tel.01473
623007

Martlesham In Bloom: Contact J.
Maureen Burrows Tet.01473 625196.

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**'MUSIC ON THE GREEN'
MARTLESHAM HEATH
VILLAGE GREEN
SATURDAY 13th JULY
2002**

Eleven and half hours of non-stop music will be the main feature of this years exiting new look 'Music on the Green', with 15 bands performing on two stages throughout the day. There will be bands to suit all tastes including Blues, Country and Western, Jazz, Pop Caribbean and Brass bands. This year there will be a large covered area for watching the bands perform so wet or dry the show will go on, this area will also accommodate the Bar. The first band will perform at 11.00am. with the final band finishing at 10.30pm.

There will also be many stalls and sideshows including a Children's corner. In the Pavilion there will be non-stop children's entertainment from midday until 5.00pm. There will be the usual Art Exhibition in St. Michael's Church from 10am - 5pm (Preview Evening on the Friday evening 7 -9pm)

As usual the very popular Car Boot Sale will be running from 8.00am throughout the day, no booking is necessary, buyers and sellers just turn up on the day. refreshments will also be served in St. Michael's from 10am to 5pm.

There will be many different types of refreshments available, or bring a picnic for a family day out. There is seven acres of Village Green so there will be plenty of room for everyone.

This year the charities which will benefit from this day will be St Elizabeth's Hospice and the Guide Dogs for the Blind.

This is a fantastic community event, attended by 1000's of people, for whom admission is **FREE**.

For stall enquiries please contact
Maureen Dalley 01473 622997

All other enquiries contact Paul
Firman 01473 622874

**MARTLESHAM VILLAGE
PRODUCE ASSOCIATION**

The Spring Fayre was wonderfully well supported by members and friends providing plants and cakes for sale and by others who came (in spite of the drizzly rain) to purchase, the result being a most satisfactory profit to boost up our funds. Many thanks to all who came and helped in any way.

I am arranging a coach trip on Tuesday 23rd July to Giffords Hall at Hartest (between Sudbury and Bury St.Edmunds). The Hall, which describes itself a "A small country living", lies on 33 acres with vineyard/vinery, wild flower meadows, organic vegetables, rare breeds, pigs, chickens, rose garden, sweet peas (grown in tunnel greenhouse for Unwins) shop and tea rooms. Almost something for everyone. We plan to leave Black Tiles at 11 a.m., a second pick-up at the car-park nearest to the surgery on the Heath just after, arriving at the Hall at lunch time and returning to Martlesham about 5.30 p.m. The cost of the trip, coach and admission to the Hall, is £10. There should be spare seats on the coach. If anyone would like to join us please let me know as soon as possible.

Our Summer Show on 20th July is open for entries from all residents in Martlesham. Entries are welcome in the vegetable, flower, fruit, cookery, preserves and flower design classes. There are also a few classes for children. Details are contained in our Show Schedule copies of which can be obtained from Brian Davey (Chairman and Show Secretary) Tel. 624789.

Happy Gardening, Stan Harris.
623427

**MARTLESHAM AND
DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB**

Mrs A. Bristow from Norfolk was our demonstrator this month her topic being "On my Travels" During the afternoon we visited places as far apart as Jamaica and South Africa with trips to Egypt, Majorca, Spain and London. The arrangements were in unusual containers, the one for Jamaica was in a beautiful pottery leaf, and for South Africa an umbrella stand, Mrs Bristow used palm leaves, some dried in three of her arrangements from her garden in Majorca.

The competition for an arrangement depicting a country was won by Mrs. Jean Smith, with the novice class being won by Mrs C.Clare. June's meeting is on the 19th

when we will concentrate on wedding flowers with Mrs Irene Packard with an opportunity for members to have a go at making a corsage themselves..

The club meets at St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath, on the 3rd.Wednesday of each month at 2.30pm.

Annual subscription is £ 9.00 with visitors welcome at £ 1.50 per session. There is a plant and flower arrangers stall at each meeting.

Ruth Mellen 01473 624401.

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12-
28th MAY**

Thank you very much to everyone who has contributed to this local house-to-house collection, and many thanks to all the collectors who have made this possible. We will be counting the contents of all the envelopes shortly, and hope to have a final total for you soon.

Any uncollected envelopes may be returned to the Churches or 8 Viking Heights or 74 Heathfield

Carolyn Smith and Rosemary Still.

Dear Editor,

It was with great sadness that on the morning of 22nd May we witnessed an act of gross negligence, namely that a tall Cypress Tree was cut down by chain-saw. Around the workman's head flew a pair of Chaffinches, beaks full, frantically trying to return to their chicks. As the branch cutting continued a Collared Dove left her nest at the very last moment, flying around and around in panic. We witnessed the nests falling to the ground as the 'surgeon' removed the lower branches. This, in our opinion, was madness at this time of the year and this particular tree had given us months of pleasure as we listened to the bird song emanating from its branches every evening. On this day Martlesham became a sadder place for us.

We would like to remind everyone that should they need to do tree maintenance that this work should not be carried out during the bird nesting / breeding season.

Blessings, John & Jo @ 81 Carlford Close.

**MARTLESHAM
CONSERVATION GROUP**

Thank you to all those who came along on our bird survey of our local woodland at the bottom of the village green. We identified about 24 different species within the woodland during our morning walk on Sunday 19th May. The total appears to be similar to that from previous years though there were some notable absences. In particular, a few people have told me that there may be at least one nightingale present and also a least one turtle dove, however we failed to find these on our walk. I would be grateful if someone could

confirm these and perhaps indicate if there is more than one of each.

Our next work party will be on Sunday 9th June when we will be out on the Martlesham Heath SSSI (western corridor) for some practical activities. Meet outside the Douglas Bader at 10am. In July we hope to be present at village day, so come along and meet us, and we intend to conduct our survey of the butterflies on the Martlesham Heath SSSI on Sunday 14th July at 10am as usual. Phil Smith 625630

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST

The Suffolk wildlife Trust will be holding a Morning Market on Saturday 1st

June at 10am - 12-30pm at Melton Hall (next to the traffic lights in Melton). There will be lots of good quality plants for sale, bric—brac, raffle, Pony Rides, face painting, books, cakes, SWT gifts etc. Please come along and support this event, and if you can help on the day please give me a call. It should be an excellent event for all ages in a glorious setting.

Phil Smith 625630

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"Looking after our Village"

The Martlesham Heath Western Corridor runs from the Suffolk County Police Headquarters in the North, to the fenced-off area of the farm in the South. The Southern part of this area has been designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest as it is one of the few remaining examples of nationally important Sandlings heaths, and home to the Silver-studded Blue butterfly. It was always the intention of the developers, BPT, that this area be transferred to MCL. The Northern end down as far as Broomfield is now under MCL control, but the Southern end, including the SSSI, has not yet been handed over. Previous discussions with BPT stalled over covenants that were included in the draft lease. Recently however, we have resumed discussions with BPT and are considering the basis on which we would take ownership of this area.

If things go well, we are planning to bring this question before the membership at the Company's AGM in November. There we hope to reach a decision on how MCL will proceed with the Western Corridor. If you would like to make any contribution to this debate before the AGM please contact MCL as below, or why not consider joining the Board to help us manage this and other issues facing the Company?

It is disappointing that some residents of the Heath still do not behave with consideration to others in the way they choose to treat the open spaces that we have in the Village. There are still too many occurrences of people dumping garden waste. This is usually on the basis that "it's only a bit so it won't matter", but if everyone were to take that attitude the condition of the Heath would quickly deteriorate. Please stop this selfish practice and take responsibility for disposing of your waste properly.

A resident in Coopers Road has decided to extend his garden by cultivating the heath outside his back fence. For good legal reasons, we cannot allow personal use of land that belongs to us all and will take necessary steps to stop all such use. Similarly, we cannot let people store any items, including compost bins, on the land outside their fences, so please do not do it.

MCL does not want to make legal threats or resort to legal action, but in cases of mis-use of the land, the expense of clearing rubbish and implications of trespass are such that we will do what is necessary to stop it happening.

Members are always welcome to attend the Board meetings which take place in St Michael and All Angels Church Centre each month, and the next meeting is on Monday 17 June at 7.15 p.m. Members wishing to make contact with the company should either write to MCL at 42D Barrack Square, Martlesham Heath, Ipswich IP5 3RF, e-mail to mcl.mh@btinternet.com, or phone on 612207 and leave a message, with your contact details.

MARTLESHAM YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

As the league season concludes many of the teams will participate in summer tournaments and continue to enjoy their football. This is thanks to the committee, managers and parental help we receive to bring football through MYFC to some 200 members!!

Our Felixstowe & District sides are close to completing their league matches at the time of writing.

Our U8s have done well in their first competitive season. Remarkably, both A and B sides finished 5th on 33 points. More on our U10s excellent achievements in the next article.

The U11s - especially the "A" Team have made a step improvement. Each year we have finished 6th and been behind the usual suspects. This year there is a high probability, as other teams have games in hand, that we will finish 3rd. This year we have scared / or beaten the teams that in the past we have always played second fiddle to. At Easter, we completed the double over Felixstowe and Walton - a team we had

previously never beaten in a competitive match. The "B" Team have recovered from a poor start - where we probably fiddled with the line up too much to have a much better second half and have achieved some excellent results against Teams much higher up the table. Big thanks to Hugh Curle, Tim Richardson, Chris Green and Steve Greenfield who have done a fantastic job with the boys and its their work which has directly led to the improved performances.

We are also planning our migration to 11 aside. Our results are that we have always beaten teams who like us currently play 7 aside but have been given the run around by those who are already play regular 11 aside. It shows just how big a transition we will be facing as we move to 11 aside next year.

Our U12s first season at 11-a-side has seen them compete well in Div 1 and finished a commendable 4th in the First Division, only a few points off the honours. Some sublime football has been played which elicited respectful praise from the opposition. Many boys can look back with pleasure on a season of personal achievement. In the Cup we lost a twice-played extra time Plate semi-final thriller against league runners up St Johns. In an enjoyable Colchester Open Cup we succumbed in tense semi-final to the only goal with the last meaningful kick of the game. The conclusion is we have improved as a team considerably since last year and look forward to next season with anticipation reflecting on this one with pride. Well done boys, and Maurice!

In their second season as 11-a-side, our U13s finished very strongly in Div 1 with recent wins over Witnesham and Ipswich Warriors to round off an enjoyable season (including a tour!). Improved performances have been helped by new coach Simon Revell and the passing football has entertained and received compliments. The team could finish equal 3rd.

The U14 lads have been through some ups and downs with great performances. In their first season under Nick Peake a creditable 4th was achieved in the league. The spirit and sense of enjoyment has been key with thanks to Ben H, Matt W, Mandy H, and Jayne B.

In the Black Tiles Saturday league, we have two sides à the Hurricanes and Tornadoes. The Hurricanes have not had the easiest of seasons. Steve ColeÇs Tornadoes lost out to a strong Nacton side in the Green àUn Final recently, but the lads enjoyed their experience of playing under the Woodbridge Town floodlights, did the club proud and performed well to finish fourth in their league after a rocky start.

At U16s the Mavericks had three wins under their belt and have played some good football this season, giving a few of the Div 2 teams a scare. The

Chiefs completed their best season to date at 11 a side, where two great performances in the QF and SF of the Open Cup to make the final where a below par performance meant runners-up. They also beat Bramford twice to secure Div 1 runners-up spot.

Great news is that the club are again looking healthy in the younger age groups. Our U7s side managed by Russell Wheatcroft has seen superb turn outs at training and parental support at matches. Furthermore, the club is in a good position to establish an U7 side for next season, with adults already lined up to take charge. The U7s have also been enjoying their football and getting some great results, notably a 7-0 win against Claydon where Andrew Haile grabbed four first half goals and Callum Compton keeping a clean sheet. We are confident of having both U7s and u8s next season, and with the gap plugged at U9s this season we have things sorted.

The U9 Team formed on 17 November 2001 & with a total of 24 boys and girls registered have continued to train throughout the season. March saw the U9Cs first official friendly against Woodbridge and Witnesham with both sides losing. Further friendlies against Trimley and Shotley have seen marked improvements in the teams performances with the A team drawing 1 and losing 1. The B team winning both their games. Training will continue with the beginning of the new season in September the major target. Manager Bruce Copping is aiming for a good league position in their first campaign (U10s).

On the social calendar we had a super quiz night experience at Kesgrave Social in April followed by a great disco at Martlesham Leisure in May. The club summer invitation tournament is set for Saturday 8th June at Force HQ, Portal Ave (09:30-3pm) à a feast of good football!

Off the field, the committee remain busy and thanks go to Chris G, Tracy D, Nikki C and Paul G who are all proving their worth in a testing first season as the Clubs officers.

Gordon Henderson.

MYFC à visit our updated website at www.martleshamyouth.co.uk.

RED LION MARTLESHAM WATERCOLOUR AUCTION

On Saturday 22nd June we are holding a Watercolour Challenge, with contestants painting a picture of the pub. All of the artwork will be auctioned to raise money for The Salvation Army, The Suffolk Wildlife Trust and the Martlesham Beacon Hill 'Raise the Roof' Campaign. The Auction will take place on Monday 24th June starting at 7.30pm. and it would great to see as many art lovers as possible to boost the bids and raise some money for charity.

1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUT GROUP

Fynn Beavers Have been up to all sorts as usual, they have taken in their hobbies and collections to show each other, they had a lovely walk around the village finding spring treasure and an evening was spent preparing for the world cup by playing football games. Filling up the rest of this half term is a bug hunt in the woods, a hike to the chip shop (always a popular event) and some cowboy fun - there is food involved here too.

Lark Beavers are making the most of the light nights and good weather with lots of outdoor activities, they have been on a scavenger hunt on the Green and played a football tournament. Getting back to the food theme they are also planning to ramble along to the chip shop. On those cooler evenings they have made and painted Beaver Plaques and held games evenings.

Martlesham is organising The Beaver District Competition this year it will be held in June and is to have a Jubilee theme.

Deben Cubs seem to have a bit of a football theme this time too, one of their pack holiday activities will be watching England's first world cup match and some of the boys are taking part in the football tournament on June 16th. It is not all football though and many other outdoor activities are planned to keep the cubs busy.

Orwell Cubs have been concentrating on their communicators badge.

Don't forget our Golden Jubilee Party is on Sunday 16th June from 2.30 - 4.30 please bring a plate of food, refreshments will be available in the HQ.

If anyone has old ink cartridges from their printers don't throw them away, we can make some money by collecting them for recycling.

The Group AGM will be held on Tuesday 18th June at 8pm followed by the Group Camp briefing.

MARTLESHAM MONTHLY DELIVERY

We still need help with deliveries of the Martlesham Monthly to the Industrial Estate. I propose to split this round into three as follows:

1. Barclays Bank Building, Barrack Square Buildings, Jewells, Bristol Court and Betts Avenue.
2. Anson Road, Gloster Road, Squash Club, Kingpin and Kidz Kingdom.
3. Shops at Beardsmore Park, Tesco, BP Garage and Little Chef.

We should be very grateful if you can find the time to do one of these deliveries once a month.

Please ring Roy Berridge on 611624

MARTLESHAM BRASS

Martlesham Brass bands have been very busy over the last few

weeks. We started the month of May with a successful excursion to the East Anglian Brass Band Association Spring Contest in Norwich. The Main Band were very pleased to achieve first place in their section with the hymn tune 'When I Survey the Wondrous Cross' and also first in the test piece where they played 'Suite in Bb'. The Intermediate band came third in the youth section and the Preliminary band came second in the junior youth section. A total of 79 Martlesham Brass players took part in the contest this year, many of whom have never been to a band contest before, and they all had a great day out.

The 18th May saw the first two of our summer engagements, with the Preliminary band booked to appear at the Martlesham Pre-school Fun Day at the Control Tower, and the main band participating in the Songs of Praise at St Michael's on Martlesham Heath. The band's solo competition was held on 25th May. Details to follow next time!

June activities

June is a very busy month in the band's calendar. We start at the Martlesham Church fete on Saturday June 1st, and continue with the Jubilee celebrations in Felixstowe on Monday June 3rd. We are then off to Dan's Meadow in Martlesham for the Heartbeat association fete on Sunday June 16th. The 22nd June sees the Martlesham Brass Summer Fayre (more in a moment) and the 29th June we are at Tuddenham Village fete, and finally on Sunday 30th we are playing at Norwood House Residential Home. Whew! (Wait until you see the July dates, there are even more, I will save them for next time!)

Martlesham Brass Summer Fayre ~ Saturday 22nd June 2pm - 5pm

Did I mention the Martlesham Brass Annual Summer Fayre? It is from 2 - 5pm on Saturday 22nd June at St Michael's Church Centre Martlesham Heath. It will be a fantastic afternoon of entertainment, featuring a variety of music from all four of our bands, with lots of stalls, a grand draw (with fabulous prizes), games to play and plenty of tea and cakes! Please come along to support our event and to have a fun-filled afternoon. The summer fayre raises much-needed funds to sustain the many and varied activities of Martlesham Brass.

Summer Concert ~ Saturday 6th July ~ St Michael's Church Centre Martlesham Heath.

If you are interested in attending our summer concert tickets will be available at the Summer Fayre or from Band Committee members. Please phone me on 01473 611578 for further details. For booking enquiries please telephone Julie on 01473 620240, for general enquiries contact Liz or Paul on 01473 623276 or visit the web site at www.martleshambrass.btinternet.co.uk Alison Eyley

MARTLESHAM BOWLS CLUB

May started with a spell of fine weather which enabled us to start our playing on time. So different from last year's delay of just short of month before we could play.

The first game was a Spoon drive (the winner wins a spoon the loser wins a wooden spoon). Doreen Parratt and Gordon Levett (a new member) shared the prize spoon. To save cutting the spoon in half Doreen let Gordon have the pleasure of winning it. Everyone enjoyed the day.

Next was the Captain's Team V the Chairman's (or should that be Chairperson?) team. The Captain's team won, 105 pts. to 85pts., another good game in good bowling weather.

On the second Saturday was the first Club Drive. This was won by Russell Dickerson, second Roger Bryant, third Tim Bowman. During this match a strange event occurred, never before seen at any game of Bowls. Almost as if a whistle had been blown, all players left the green to go behind the Pavilion ——— to see a Steam Train go past.

We also had the first Wednesday Pairs Open Competition. Once again the weather was grand for play. Top scoring team was led by S Shepherd, 2nd Peter Gorham, 3rd Brian Davey. First not being a member, 2nd and 3rd are members (must let the visitors win some.)

Early May saw us lose to Chantry, in the first friendly, 58 pts. to 72pts., enjoyable game but on the cool side. Next was Westerfield, on a cold evening without any sun. despite the weather we won 100pts. to 48pts. Now the season is really underway, new members are going well even getting into the prize list. If you get the "Martlesham Monthly" early you might still be able to come to play in the Jubilee Drive and B.B.Q on the 3rd of June (Bank Holiday).

Why not try bowling, if you fancy having a go, just turn up or ring 01394 384698. The next Committee meeting 7.00pm 17th June

Secretary

Linda Brown

TESCO'S TRAVELLIN' TOTS 2002 - CAR SEAT CHECKING SERVICE

In conjunction with Tesco, Suffolk County Council are running a children's car seat checking service. Rob Sweeting from Suffolk County Council will be in Tesco's Car Park Martlesham Heath from 9am - 5pm on Thursday 18th July 2002. So if you have any concerns, questions or queries regarding children's car seats or you just want to make sure your seat is compatible with your car, please come along. Both Sam Parnell and Louisa Smith from the Martlesham Heath Baby and Toddler Group will be there during the day to give Rob a helping hand.

MARTLESHAM PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

We will by the time you read this have had our 'Fun Day' and will know whether the day was golden or rained off! Many thanks to all those especially Nicki and Lynda who worked so hard on all the arrangements beforehand to make the day a success.

This half term the children will be enjoying lots of activities on the theme of the Sea.

Of course, visitors are always welcome to come and see us. If you would like more information about the playgroup please contact Sarah Elmer, our bookings secretary, on Ipswich 620042. Alternatively visit our web site at

www.btinternet.com/~martlesham.playgroup/index.htm

CALLING ALL MUMS

The next meeting of the Mums' Club will be on Tuesday, 11th June at St. Michael's Church Centre from 12.45 to 2.30 p.m. when Robert Fiddy, a member of St. John's Ambulance Brigade, will talk on the subject of Children's First Aid.

All mums and pre-school children are welcome to join us for lunch followed by Robert's talk.

For more details please 'phone Brenda on 625449 or Sue on 624130.

ST MICHAEL'S PRE-SCHOOL MARTLESHAM HEATH

Over the Easter holidays we asked the children to do a sponsored game to see how many different things they could get in a smartie tube. The most items that one child managed to get in a tube was 125 things and in total the children managed to raise £240. We would like to use some of this money to buy a parachute for the children to use indoors and some other equipment.

We have arranged our annual day trip for 12th July. This year we will be going to Banham Zoo in Norfolk. The children will be able to see lots of different animals, some of which are the world's most rare and endangered species. They will also be able to see the animals being fed and watch their displays.

On 12th May our staff and some of the parents took part in a sponsored walk/run which was called the 'Race for life'. The event was to raise money for cancer research and was held in Chantry Park. There were about 600 ladies taking part and the team from St Michael's managed to raise £700 so thank you to everyone who supported and sponsored us.

Our theme for next term is 'Opposites'. We will be showing the

children the difference between night and day, hot and cold countries & food, left and right, also short and tall. To demonstrate short and tall we will get the children to draw round each other, then we can put the pictures on the wall so they can see who is the tallest and shortest.

We return to pre-school on 10th June and finish our summer term on the 19th July.

If you are interested in sending your child to our pre-school and would like more information please contact Angela Wilkes on 01473 631510.

MARTLESHAM HEATH BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

Our sessions run in Martlesham Heath Pavilion on Wednesdays and Fridays, from 9.30-11.30 and from 1.30-3.30. Drinks and biscuits are provided. New members are always welcome, and for those with young babies, there is a special area to provide some protection from the larger children. Feel free to call me on 01473 623020 if you want any further information.

Dates for your diary:

Wed 12 June - photographer. The list has now gone up, and is filling rapidly, so get your name down fast if you are still interested.

Saturday 13 July. Village Day. Helpers will be needed to help man our stall, so please talk to one of the committee if you can help.

Wed 17 July - Teddy Bear's picnic. This is always a fun event - tickets will be on sale in due course. Vivienne Midwinter (Sec.)

The Orwell Singers "GOING DUTCH"

A summer evening of light music and traditional Dutch fayre to be held on
Saturday 6th July 2002, 7.30 pm
St Michael & All Angels Church Centre,
Martlesham Heath.
Tickets at the door - £4.00
Adults, 50p Accompanied Children.
Ample free parking

HEATH SCHOOL KESGRAVE PFA

On Saturday June 22nd we are holding our SUMMER FETE in Bell Lane Kesgrave. Children get in free and adults for only 50p. It starts at 2pm and finishes at around 5pm. There will be all the usual stalls, displays and fun including Park Rangers, 5 aside football, pony rides, bar, barbecue, refreshments, cake stall, grand draw, children's tombola, Punch and Judy etc.

Guest appearance - Vicki from SGR's Morning Crew

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

Our meeting on Friday, 3rd May was a talk given by myself and the subject was "The National Service Experience". This occupied the first half of the evening and after a break our President, Gordon Kinsey, showed some slides featuring aspects of the aviation history of the Heath.

Some two million young men were enlisted to serve two years in either the army or the RAF. The Royal Navy were not really interested in conscripts and the few that did do their National Service period in the navy mostly found themselves in shore based administration jobs. National Service was introduced in 1945 by the incoming Attlee Government and the last conscript was demobbed in May, 1963. Mass demobilisation was taking place directly following WW2 and the threat that Russia posed together with the fact that we still had an enormous Empire to police, meant that we had little option other than to introduce some form of conscription for the third time in our history.

My own experience was as a Wireless Operator and after initial training in 1949, at Padgate, Near Warrington and technical training at Compton Bassett in Wiltshire, I was posted to Khartoum, in the Sudan. The RAF station at Khartoum existed for three reasons. To provide some of the military presence needed to protect our interests in the Country and to act as a staging post and civil airport for all aircraft flying down the east side of Africa. The third reason was that it was the home of the Tropical Experimental Unit. This was the tropical arm of the Aeroplane and Armament Experimental Establishment which is based at Boscombe Down in Wiltshire and was once based here at Martlesham. It was therefore an interesting posting and I illustrated my talk with 50 slides of photographs that I had taken at the time.

After the break Gordon Kinsey showed a series of slides, some of which appear in his book, "Martlesham Heath". They featured aeroplanes from the Great War through to WW2 and were accompanied by dialogue in Gordon's entertaining way. Some of the unfortunate aeroplane mishaps were shown, as were some of the more humorous aspects of life at RAF Martlesham Heath all those years ago.

Martlesham Heath Aviation Society have a most interesting web site and readers with access to the internet may like to log on to www.mhas.org.uk

Our meeting next month will take place on Friday, 7th June in the Community Hall as usual. The speaker should be Mr Geoff. King from Essex who will relate some of his experiences as a crew member of an Avro Lancaster bomber during

operations over enemy territory in WW2. Please note that it is our intention in future to start meeting promptly at 7.30pm and to introduce our speaker at 7.45pm. This is to avoid late finishes!

Alan Powell 622458

IPSWICH & DISTRICT TALKING NEWSPAPER

Reg. Charity no. 272773

We URGENTLY REQUIRE NEW VOLUNTEERS to assist in the production of the local weekly news tape edited from editions of the "Evening Star". Every Thursday volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs from reading the news to admin. And copying the tapes. If you can spare a few hours every six weeks on a Thursday please phone the volunteer co-ordinator Rachel Pennick on 01473 610473.

**GARDEN OPEN
DAIRY FARM, BRIGHTWELL
(Dr Bob and Dr Lynn James)
Sunday 23rd June 11am - 5pm
Ploughman's Lunches, Cream
Plant Stall, Plant Tombola,
Raffle, Teas,
Children's Quiz
Admission £2
In Aid of 1st Orwell Sea Scouts**

KESGRAVE & DISTRICT HELP CENTRE

The grass is greener in the next field. Not always!

Many of our elderly residents like their own grass and do not want to move. Sadly, loss of mobility makes it increasingly difficult for them to keep their gardens neat and tidy.

The Help Centre is often asked at this time of year whether it can suggest anyone who offers a service for grass cutting and general garden maintenance. If you can help please notify Martin at the Help Centre office.

The office in the Kesgrave Community Centre is open Tuesdays and Thursdays between 10.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon or phone Martin on 24 hour answerphone 622574. E-mail kesgravehelpcentre@ukonline.co.uk <<mailto:kesgravehelpcentre@ukonline.co.uk>> or drop in at our coffee mornings on Thursdays.

The Help Centre 15th A.G.M. will be held in the Kesgrave Community Centre 25 June at 7.30 p.m.

Ray Spratt

DUNCANS BUTCHERS AND BAKERY

Duncan and Sue are pleased to announce that they have taken over the Butchers and Bakery on the Heath formerly known as Martins.

Customers will be familiar with

Duncan as he has been the Butcher at the shop for the past 9 years and will continue with his wide selection of quality British meat including homecooked Hams and Suffolk Bacon. Plans are afoot for the introduction of Blythburgh free range Pork, initially for freezer orders only. For the convenience of customers with well laden fridges! the Butchers only will be open from 1 O-2pm on the Monday and Tuesday of the forthcoming Jubilee weekend.

The Bakery will remain the same with fresh bread baked daily on the premises along with a selection of morning goods and the addition of homemade cakes and biscuits. A hot drinks machine has been installed serving latte, cappuccino and hot chocolate to name but a few. Freshly made sandwiches are also available with new exciting fillings being thought up as we speak....

Duncan and Sue would like to take this opportunity of thanking Peter the previous owner for his continuing support, all staff for their hard work and dedication and also the existing customers for all their best wishes and encouragement during our new business adventure.

MARTLESHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

At the Annual General Meeting held on May 8th the Society adopted its Constitution and elected Canon Brian Lillistone as Chairman, Paul Firman as Vice-chairman & Archivist and John Tyler as Secretary & Treasurer. Mrs Hazel Squirrell was elected as a Committee Member. There is a vacancy for a further Committee Member

- any volunteer please contact me..

The June meeting will take place on Tuesday June 11th at 8pm at St. John's Church, Brightwell and will consist of a talk on the history of that church. Our speaker will be our Chairman, Canon Brian Lillistone. Car parking will be available in the farm lane below the church and the farm yard. There is also access to the church for the disabled or elderly via the Farm Yard.

Anyone needing a ride to this meeting please contact John Tyler on 612736 or Paul Firman on 622874.

**Summer Fayre at
Bucklesham Primary
School,
Main Road, Bucklesham
Saturday 29th June 2002
From 12 Noon**

Attractions include: Craft Stalls, Grand Draw, Tombola, Cake Stall, Cream Teas, Bar-B-Q, Smash The Crockery and lots more! **In aid of new classroom and IT Suite**

A CHANGE? OR MAYBE NOT AT CROWN POINT

As most of you know Crown Point sits in the middle of the old village and has done for years. Owners have come and gone, the most recent being the

Pang family who ran it not only as a Fish & Chip shop but Chinese takeaway also...but now they have moved on and it has changed once more, only has it!?? You walk in and see the same old familiar faces, that is because at last, after many years of working at the shop, we the Garrod family, are now thrilled to announce that we finally have our name above the door so to speak. My husband Colin has worked at Crown Point for twenty years, with only a two year break in that time. As for me, I came along ten years ago, now one wedding and three children between us later, we plan to stay put for a long time to come!

Over the next year we are planning some minor changes to the shop, some of you may have already noticed that we have closed the Chinese side down, preferring to concentrate on the tradition of the shop - good ole fish & chips. We have now a couple of tables inside the shop for our customers should the weather not allow sitting at the picnic benches outside. This is another planned change, a new outside seating area along the side of the shop, hopefully to be completed by early summer.

Please do come and see us, we are now frying excellent quality cod, among other fish, as well as many new other items on the menu.

We are very happy to now be living in Martlesham as well as working here and we look forward to seeing you all in the future

Jo Garrod

MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB

Mr. Parfitt was introduced to us at our meeting on April 25th His talk for the evening was entitled 'A Year In A Suffolk Field' Mr. Parfitt had lived for 23 years beside a field at Earl Stonham. This field had never been ploughed and was used for grazing and hay making, with a stream that was a tributary of the River Deben, running through it.

We were shown a series of lovely coloured slides taking us through the whole year, beginning with The New Year's Day Hunt riding through. The abundant wild flowers of Spring were closely followed by the growing grass with its attendant buttercups and daisies. After the Summer sun and the grazing animals, the pictures turned to the elderberries, blackberries, hips and haws on the hedgerows with their superb Autumn colours, then finally to the snows in December. At the same time the stream swelled with the

rains of Spring and dried to a trickle during the Summer. The array of flora and fauna in one field was quite amazing. Our Chairman thanked Mr. Parfitt for his talk and was sure that members had found it most interesting, we all agreed and expressed our appreciation with generous applause.

Our Chairman introduced Mr. Chris Miller to us at our meeting on May 9th. Chris is a member of the Suffolk Horse Society and gave us a detailed talk, backed by excellent coloured slides, about the Suffolk Horse known as the Suffolk Punch. The Suffolk horse, always a variety of chestnut in colour, is the oldest breed of heavy horse in the world, and the Stud at Hollesley Bay is the largest. They are a horse with a very good temperament and unlike many others can be stabled together which has great advantages. Noted for its longevity, and weighing in at a least one ton, the Suffolk Punch is described as having an angels face, beer barrel body, a backside of a farmer and strong shoulders! Chris bought along many artefacts for us to see including horse brasses. The Suffolk Punch Heavy Horse Museum, Market Hill, Woodbridge, is an award-winning museum dedicated to the Suffolk Punch and its deep links with East Anglia's rural heritage, and, we were told, well worth a visit. Vera Pawsey gave a vote of thanks for a great talk on this most beautiful animal, a view echoed by us all in the usual way.

Meetings for June are on the 6th and 20th The latter being our AGM.

Rita Smith.

MARTLESHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The meeting opened with discussions on the Resolutions to be put forward at the I.G.M to be held at Brighton in June. The delegate, MRS. JOAN LOCKE, was advised how to vote on behalf of members.

Following this discussion the meeting continued with a theme to commemorate the forthcoming Royal Jubilee. Several Union Jacks were in evidence and the President was wearing a red, white and blue jumper knitted specially for the occasion. A delicious supper was prepared by all members and then was an interesting display of Jubilee memorabilia.

Mrs Betty Darke's tiara was voted the best in the competition. The speaker at the June meeting on the 21st will be Mr. Miller and his subject "The Suffolk Punch Horse Society", the competition "A Horseshoe".

Visitors and new members always welcome at 7.30 p.m. in the Richards Room on the 3rd Friday of each month, Contact MRS. BETTY DARKE, Secretary. Tel: 01473 624193.

MARTLESHAM HEATH WI

During the past three months the ladies of Martlesham Heath WI have met as usual, to enjoy one another's company and listen to speakers. Unfortunately, their correspondent missed publication deadlines so our activities did not appear, please accept my apologies. In March we were visited by Mrs. Dawn Harding who gave us an account of her years as a Special Constable in Ipswich. She recalled times of boredom as well as action packed duties; hilarious and embarrassing happenings; and was very proud to receive a medal at the close of her service. In April we learnt a great deal about Amber from Mr. Fournel of Aldeburgh and Southwold. He brought a lot of pieces for us to examine, both as found on the beach, and after polishing into jewellery. This month we debated Food Imports and Local Abattoirs, the subjects of this years Resolutions. The first was felt to be too large in scope to deal with adequately as a single resolution. The re-establishment of local, small abattoirs met with general approval. Our meeting in June will be a private celebration of the Jubilee, but in July we should be glad to welcome any ladies to the Pavilion at 7.30pm to hear Mrs Huff speak on the History of Hats.

MARTLESHAM BEACON HILL SCHOOL

Toddlers Tiddle for Raise the Roof Appeal. Calling all pre school children, come along to the school on Thursday 12th June at 2.30pm and help us raise the roof for the swimming pool by toddling around the field. Once complete the pool will be available to local community groups including playgroups, brownies, cubs etc... The pool is an excellent teaching pool and it is hoped that pre-school lessons will take place in the covered pool. So come along and join in the fun and make new friends. Every Toddling Toddler will get a Raise the Roof Tiddle certificate. Drinks and biscuits to be served at the end of the Tiddle. For more information and a sponsorship form call Frances Eales on 01394 380599

FREE!!

The Solina organ which has supported the music in the services at St. Michael's, now needs a new home. It is no longer in use. It is an excellent instrument of its type, that is, for light music. It has a rhythm box, facilities for harmonising, and is currently mounted on a platform which makes it easy to move about. It is quite capable of playing early classical organ music, written for manuals only, the short pedalboard is inadequate for standard organ pieces. If any one would like to have this organ please contact the Rector, the Church Wardens, or Ann Little.

NATIONAL OSTEOPOROSIS SOCIETY

Local Group

June is National Osteoporosis Week and up and down the country all sorts of events will be taking place to try and raise awareness of the scourge of osteoporosis and the importance of prevention

Exercise is all important. The Orwell Sponsored Charity Walk will take place on Sunday, June 16th - enjoy a walk with friends to raise money for research into the prevention and treatment of osteoporosis. We can supply the T-shirt and hat to identify our cause. Full details from Yvonne Smart, 01473415647

On June 17th our forum 'Living with Osteoporosis' takes place at Ufford Park Hotel when there will be ample opportunity for sharing ways of managing and limiting the effects of fragile bones. At the time of going to press there are only a few places left but it is worth a try - applications from 01473 624474

One June 25th one of our Melton members is holding a tea-party at her home. Details from Rosemary on 01394 388018

Best of all join the local group - £5.00 yearly. National membership costs £15.00 but has even more advantages. Details (or if you just want to talk about osteoporosis) - 01473 625246, 01473624474, 01394271387, 01473415647

CHARITY CONCERT AT IPSWICH CORN EXCHANGE

A concert in aid of Ipswich Hospital's Rhythm of Life Appeal is being held at the Ipswich Corn Exchange on Saturday 6 July 2002 commencing at 7.30pm. For this concert the Suffolk Constabulary Male Voice Choir who are organising the concert, are being joined by the Essex Police Choir and the Castleton Brass Band for an evening of musical entertainment to suit all tastes.

The Master of Ceremonies for the evening's proceedings is going to be

BBC Radio Suffolk's Roger Woods.

The Suffolk Constabulary Male Voice Choir is pleased to have received sponsorship for this concert from Ensors, Chartered Accountants of Ipswich.

Tickets for this concert, which are priced at £6.00, £7.00 and £8.00, can be obtained from the Corn Exchange Box Office Telephone Ipswich 01473 433100.

Further information about the concert can be obtained by telephoning 01449 672600.

THE MOB

Well strange as it is to relate the season really is over now. The AGM has passed and taken along with it our Presentation Do. Like last year we made use of a room in a pub in Ipswich as a venue and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. The season was summed up in a few well chosen words and the general opinion was that overall it had been a relatively successful one. The MOB had a great run at the end of the season and finished fourth in the division. If only we could start by doing as well in the first 3 or 4 games as we do in the rest we would be in with a realistic chance of the title each year. Hey! there's always next season so maybe that will be our year.

We were pleased to welcome Paul and Janet Firman representing our sponsors "Martlesham Monthly" to the presentation and would like to thank them again here for the support they have given us that enables the team to continue to prosper and hopefully grow.

Thanks are also extended to the Mums (and Dads?) who helped out washing the kit on occasions hopefully without ruining the machines. For those of you are interested the awards went to the following people:

Most Improved player — Chris Squirrel
Managers Player — Kirk Jackson
Martlesham Monthly Special Award — Adam Lopez
Players Player — Joe Southgate.

To them we must say well done, in each case the individual richly deserved their award, but we must not forget that football is a team game and for all those players who played their part, however large or small we offer our sincerest congratulations and thanks for another season that has given much pleasure (as well as a few headaches.)

Not content with playing all winter the lads are now involved in a seven a side competition on Thursday evenings, so at least that should come back ready and fit for next year.

Until next season, stay healthy & stay happy, don't forget to come and see us on our stall on village day, we'll even do a bit of recruiting if anyone is interested in joining The MOB.

My best regards to you all
The Mobster.

MOTHERS' UNION

Our May Day event proved to be a very happy occasion when about 50 people partook of an excellent ploughman's lunch, supported our

well-stocked sales stall and in doing so raised £231 towards the work of the MU overseas.

Instead of our Tuesday evening meeting a good number of our members attended the annual Deanery Festival at Waldringfield, when the preacher was our old friend Roy Tricker. He reminded us that it was Rogationtide, the time of year when country folk bless the crops as opposed to Harvest time when we give thanks for them. He talked about asking for God's blessing and giving thanks to him for special people and asked us to consider which people we personally might ask to be blessed and for whom we might be moved to offer thanks to God? Then he suggested we thought about those who would be likely to ask for God's blessing upon us and others that might thank God for our part in their lives, quite a soul searching exercise. The cream tea that followed was much appreciated and we send our thanks to our friends at Waldringfield.

Next month we hold our Quarterly Service at St. Mary's at 2.30pm on Wednesday June 5th when we shall be entertaining friends from neighbouring branches. Anyone requiring a lift should contact Monica, Elizabeth or myself. At our evening meeting at 7.45pm on Tuesday 18th June Mr Cadbury will be talking about the work of MIND. An advance notice; the annual Garden Party will be held on Wednesday afternoon 3rd July at 11 Forest Lane the home of Brenda Cochran.

Please remember in your prayers all who are unwell, particularly Ena, Nesta, Peg, Doreen, Lilian, and any others that come to mind.

My thought for the month; Yesterday is a memory tomorrow is a mystery, and today is a gift to use as we wish - that's why they call it 'the present!' God Bless.

Sheila Smith

FIRST TASTE OF SUCCESS FOR THE WOODBRIDGE EXCELSIOR TRAINING BAND

Following in the footsteps of the Excelsior Senior Band, the Training Section have excelled by entering the Spring Festival Contest at Norwich on May 5th being placed as runners-up in their section. Musical Director Jackie Walker stated This is a fantastic achievement for the trainees and we are thrilled to have brought 2 trophies back to Woodbridge. This is all down to the hard work and dedication of the trainees and we are delighted with the result.

The current Training Section was formed some 5 years ago and



THE CHURCH IN MARTELSHAM & BRIGHTWELL

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Services for The Month	Brightwell St. John	Martlesham St. Mary	Martlesham Heath St. Michael
Sunday June 2 nd Trinity 1	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (BCP)	9.45am All Age Worship & Baptism 6.30pm Informal Worship
Sunday June 9 th Trinity 2	6.30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9.45am Family Communion & Sunday School
Sunday June 16 th Trinity 3	8am Holy Communion	11am Family Communion (CW)	9.45am Worship & Sunday School 6.30pm Informal Worship
Sunday June 23 rd Trinity 4	6.30pm Evensong (Patronal Festival)	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9.45am Family Communion & Sunday School
Sunday June 30 th Trinity 5	6.30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9.45am Family Communion & Sunday School
Sunday July 7 th Trinity 6	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (BCP)	9.45am All Age Worship & Baptism 6.30pm Informal Worship

MIDWEEK SERVICES:- Wednesdays 10am Holy Communion at St. Michael's. Tues 11th 9.30am Holy Communion at 39 Angela Close; Thurs. 14th & 28th 10.30am Pram Service for Mothers & Toddlers at St. Michael's.

Brightwell Caretakers	Date	Martlesham Caretakers	Flowers	Sweepers
Mrs Barber/Mrs Messenger	2 nd	Mrs Jordan/Mrs Branch	Mrs P Leech	P Barnett/C Cobb
"	9	Miss Berg/Mrs Gorham	Mrs L Copeland	D Burges/J Symes
"	16	Mrs Burges/James Burges	"	M Zetter
"	23	Mrs & Mrs Harris	Mrs S Woods	S Harris/T Branch
"	30	Mrs Darke/Mrs Locke	"	E Still/C Hares

PRAYER DIARY

Pray daily for world peace, the world-wide church and

8	For all enjoying Half Term Week	18	For Market Stalls, including the W.I.	28	For Martlesham Christian Fellowship
9	That we may allow Jesus to make us whole	19	For the Trade Justice Mass Lobby in London	29	St. Peter: For those in positions of leadership in the Church
10	For Brightwell - its church and parish	20	For people in Nunn Close	30	For those being ordained at this time
11	St. Barnabas: Give thanks for those who encourage us	21	For the Golden Jubilee Garden Party		JULY
12	For the residents of Newbourn Road	22	For Martlesham Brass Summer Fayre	1	For all who have been bereaved recently
13	For the Quiet Day in the Garden	23	That we may receive the inner peace which Jesus brings	2	For our local Councillors
14	For young people taking exams	24	St. John the Baptist: For faithfulness in pointing others to Jesus	3	St. Thomas: For those who find it hard to believe in God
15	For the Conservation Group	25	Give thanks for the beauty of the countryside	4	For the residents of Parkers Place
16	That we may respond to the call of Jesus	26	For the Annual Meeting of the Mothers' Union in the Diocese	5	For students leaving school and college
17	For the work of Martlesham Consultants	27	For the residents of Park Close	6	For parents and children in separated families
				7	That we may allow the grace of God to work in our lives

since has steadily grown to what it is today. Numbers of trainees are limited thus allowing a high ratio of experienced tutors to trainees, which ensures a high level of tuition given. This we feel has contributed to our success.

All tuition is given free of charge and instruments are provided by the Band. We meet weekly on Friday evenings from 7.30pm. Parents of young people might like to be aware that the Band has recently been accredited by the Suffolk Area Child Protection Committee and now promotes the Safe Activities for Everyone Policy. Anyone wishing to join this successful outfit should contact Band Secretary Sara Norris on 01394 385749.

The Training Section has 2 engagements in the coming weeks. They will be playing at the Senior Band Golden Jubilee concert at the Community Hall, Woodbridge on May 29th at 7pm and at the BBC Music Live Event taking place in Felixstowe at 1.30pm on Monday 3rd June for the Queens Golden Jubilee.

WOODBIDGE AND DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

(Chartered 1982)
Woodbridge Extravaganza
Success

Woodbridge Lions' Club second annual Extravaganza staged in Elmhurst Park Woodbridge turned out to be a great success, defying the cold, blustery and sometimes damp conditions. The light showers did nothing to dampen the spirits of the organisers or the parents and children who were determined to enjoy themselves. The afternoon raised over £1000 for Lions charities. The Lions are very grateful to, all those who gave their time so freely and contributed to the event, also of course the Mums, Dads and children who braved the elements and made it all worth while. If anyone is interested in helping The Lions in the future, give Chris a ring on 01394 387260.

AGED 18 - 30? WANT TO MEET NEW PEOPLE AND HELP YOUR COMMUNITY?

Why not join Deben Rotaract Club?
- new members welcome now.

We meet every Tuesday for social get-togethers and also participate in fund raising/assistance at local events. Recent social activities have included dry slope skiing, cinema trip, pub visit and quiz night. Our 'Bring a Pudding' evening demonstrated member's extensive culinary skills to a treat.

"Rotavision", a fund raising

karaoke version of the Eurovision Song Contest, showed off everyone's singing and acting talents, or lack of!

Fund raising events have included moving a fiberglass camel (just don't ask or I'll get the hump!), marshalling, painting, helping at a sports day and taking children to Pleasurewood Hills.

For further details visit our website www.rotaract.org/deben or contact either Mark on 01394 388414 or Sue on 01473 625182 or e-mail deben@rotaract.org So don't delay, come along soon, make new friends and help your community.

And if you are a local charitable organization requiring assistance please do not hesitate to call us either.

MARTLESHAM HEATH COMMUNITY HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

At the Committee's Annual General Meeting on April 18th, the Chairman, Ian O'Brien Baker reported a busy year, with activity on many fronts.

The complex remained very popular with very little unbooked time. This high use level necessitated a corresponding high level of maintenance. Over the year there had been a number of jobs completed such as replacement of doors and improvement in security fittings but the most important were a complete redesign and fitting of the kitchen in the main hall and an inspection and, where necessary, improvement of all electrical aspects to bring them up to current safety standards. The kitchen is finished except for the fitting of an extractor fan and redecoration.

Discussions are underway with a local company to install more permanent bar facilities on the understanding that they will be the provider of all licensed bar services when they are required by hirers. This will improve the service to hirers and the presence of a regular barman will improve security.

Intruders have been causing a nuisance and, unfortunately, difficulty is still being experienced with some hirers failing to abide by the terms of their hire agreement so far as leaving, cleaning and securing the premises are concerned. The Committee are looking at all aspects of security and discussions are taking place with a security firm to provide licensed doormen when required.

Discussions with Tesco continue to permit connection to the main sewer. The Treasurer, John Dalley, confirmed the strong financial position, with the cost of the new kitchen being partly offset by grants

from the Suffolk Environmental Trust and the local District Councillor John Kelso.

The strong position was to be expected with the high level of hall use but he warned the balance could be seriously eroded when we undertake the sewer connection. He confirmed that he is seeking to establish that previous offer of grants are still valid and looking for further grant aid.

At the meeting Roger Bryant and John Dalley retired as Vice-Chairman and Treasurer respectively but agreed to stay on as Elected Parishioners.

Ian O'Brien Baker was re-elected as Chairman, as were Gordon Grant and David Pocock as joint secretaries.

Roy Berridge was elected as Treasurer.

SAINT ELIZABETH HOSPICE - USED STAMPS AND FOREIGN COINS

I have been collecting foreign coins and used stamps for the Hospice in Foxhall Road, Ipswich, for ten years now. I am constantly amazed at the generosity of the kind folks who drop old British or foreign coins through my letter box, and the people who take the trouble to tear off and save the stamps from their envelopes, and leave bags of them on my door step. I am regularly able to take a car boot full of carrier bags stuffed with stamps to the Hospice. They are able to raise well over £1000 a year from this source.

The introduction of the Euro has made obsolete all the spare change which we all keep just in case we ever go back to these European countries. For several months I have made appeals on behalf of the Hospice, because they have been able to exchange these coins to help with their fund raising. I have been keeping count of the foreign money which you have kindly donated, just to get a rough idea of the sum. It amounted to well over £1000. An incredible amount of money. A big thank you to all of you who donated their holiday change to help their local charity.

If you still have coins from a country which now uses the Euro, don't despair - the Hospice can still make use of them so please continue to drop them off to me. And don't forget that they can also raise funds by exchanging spare coins from non-Euro countries. So when you return from your holiday this summer - give the Hospice a thought!

Thank you all for your continued support.

Bev Read, 15 Demesne Gardens,
Martlesham Heath Tel: 622721

LEISURE & LEARNING

Arts experience workshops for all

The 22nd "Arts Experience" workshops are being held at Stradbroke High School on 15th June from 10.30 — 3.30pm.

A full day of enjoyably informal workshops for all ages and abilities. Professional artists and tutors offering demonstrations and individual help to develop skills in a range of arts activities including marbling, printmaking, wire sculpture, limo prints, stained glass, willow lanterns, water-colours and creative writing....

There will also be music workshops including a chance to play music together and singing. Also drama workshops with the Roughcast Theatre Company.

The annual art exhibition at the school is also open from 10.00 — 4.00 pm each day from the 10th to 15th. Entry is free and the multi-media exhibition offers a unique chance to see work being produced in our primary schools, our GCSE and AS level students and also many local amateur and professional artists.

For further information on all the different courses and activities at the school please contact Dave Sumner on 01379 388238

KESGRAVE TENNIS CLUB

Any one who wishes to join the Club please contact Debbie Stebbings on 01473 626919 leave your name and address and I will send you an application form and details. Membership fees should have been paid by now the winners of the Early bird prize draw are James Wigby and Baz Parker. Any one who hasn't rejoined and would like to please send your payment to Debbie or if you do not wish to rejoin then please return your keys to me as soon as possible.

Club evenings are all year round on a Wednesday evening 7-10pm if you would like to play please come along and join in. Any one who would be interested in playing for our Ladies, Mens or Mixed teams please come along on a Wednesday evening.

Dates for your Diary

June 15th Invitation Tournament-under 10 Boys 2-Spin

June 22nd Invitation Tournament-under 12 Boys 2-Spin

June 26th Ladies doubles Tournament 9.1 5-4pm

June 29th Invitation Tournament - under 14 Boys 2-Spin

June 30th one up one down Tournament/BBQ 1.30-6pm

Winners of the **mixed** doubles held in April were Jim Royal and Avril Burrows

We are always looking for volunteers to help with tournament

and coaching if you lend a hand for a hour or two please contact Dick.

If you would like to improve your game, whether you are a beginner or an improver, we now have another coach who can help you with your tennis, his name is Lee Tweed. Lee is a fully licensed coach and will do group or individual sessions. For more information call Lee on 01473 626193 or

07787114935.

Wheelchair coaching

Wheelchair tennis coaching takes place at Kesgrave Tennis Club on Monday 2-4pm and Thursday

1-3pm. Wheelchair tennis club night is on Sundays 6.30-8.30pm. Also mini wheelchair tennis on

Friday evenings at Maidenhall Sports Centre 8-10pm. Please phone Debbie or Dick for more details.

KESGRAVE HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF '87

A reunion is being organised for all those who left KHS in 1987 on 21st June at Kesgrave High School. Tickets £4 each. If you were a pupil or know of someone who was and would like to attend please contact Nicki Gooch on 01394 273263

MARTLESHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

You are warmly welcome to the following meetings at the Fellowship Centre, Black Tiles Lane, Martlesham.

SERVICES: 10.30 a.m. Morning Worship with Sunspot for 3-13+

6.30 p.m. Communion (except 2nd June when there is Praise in Elmhurst Park with Woodbridge churches)

Sunday 30th, 10.30 a.m. Family Service and Communion

Weekday Activities:

TUESDAY CIRCLE: 11th June at 1:30 p.m. Outing to Felixstowe with afternoon tea at the Alexâ.

(Advance notice for your diary- July 9th 2:00pm Shoes!â)

FUNFIT: Every Wednesday 9.30a.m. A gentle workout followed by a short reading and refreshments- children welcome (not 5th June).

TODDLER GROUP: Every Thursday 10.00 a.m. â12 (not 6th June)

YOUTH CLUB: Every Thursday 6.30-8.00 p.m. For 11 to 13 year olds (approx!) (not 6th June)

PRAYER and BIBLE STUDY: Meetings are at various times. If you would like to know more about these or any other activities please ring Julia on 625482

THE RECTOR WRITES

St. Columba landed on Iona in the year 563 and it has been regarded as a sacred place ever since. 17 of us, from Martlesham and around, went to Iona at the end of April to experience living as part of the Iona Abbey Community for a week sharing in the worship, common life and work of the community as well having time for Bible study and relaxation. The Iona Community is dedicated to breaking down the barriers between religion, worship and everyday life. They have encouraged a great deal of experiment in new church music and worship much of it based on celtic and gaelic style tunes and ideas. Besides the Abbey, where we stayed, they also have the Mcloed Centre for youth groups and disabled groups so that we were able to share worship and fellowship with some Dutch university students and a group of disabled children from Glasgow.

The weather was mixed though mostly cold - but the sun did shine for us particularly on the day we visited Staffa and Fingle's Cave and saw the puffins, but it rained on us for the Pilgrimage around the Island of Iona - but not too heavily!

It was indeed a unique experience for us to see Iona and to breathe in its very special atmosphere and spiritual peace. We were able to relax but also to recharge our spiritual batteries and expand our horizons in our spiritual and religious thinking.

Brian Lillistone

Art Exhibition on Village Day (Music on The Green) at St. Michael's Church - if you want details about exhibiting please ring 01473 622424.

GOLDEN JUBILEE WEEKEND

Martlesham Church Golden Jubilee Fete

Saturday 1st June

AT THE OLD RECTORY 2.30pm.

Martlesham Brass, many stalls

and games, books, bric a brac,

cakes, plants etc Bowling etc.

Teas and Icecream. All

proceeds to St. Elizabeth

Hospice.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH WILL BE OPEN AND DECORATED

on Saturday 1st June for the

Fete, also on Sunday 2nd June

12 - 4pm and Monday 3rd June

10am - 4pm to celebrate the

Queen's Golden Jubilee.

Light refreshments will be

available.