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NEWS FROM PC 387 IAN RAFFERTY

I shall be holding Police Surgeries
on Thursdays between 10:00 am
and 11:30 am at The Martlesham
Heath Pavilion on the following
dates— May 29th, June 26th, July
10th & 24th, August 7th, Septem-
ber 4th & 18th, October 2nd &
16th & 31st, November 13th &
27th, and December 12th.

We are all lucky to be living
in an area in which reported crime
is very low. I have become aware
though of a rise in thefts from motor
vehicles in our parish. As I write this,
in the middle of May, we have suf-
fered 5 such incidents - more than
in the previous 2 months put to-
gether. Please do not become com-
placent! Lock your valuables away
and do not leave them on show in
your vehicles. If you have remov-
able stereo fronts, remove them
from your vehicle overnight.

Can I take this opportunity to
say a very big well done to all the
year 11 pupils of Kesgrave High
School who left school on 9th May
for their study leave. Many of them
congregated on the Green in Mart-
lesham Heath for an end of year
'party'.

The numbers rose to about
150 who were constantly monitored
by police. Most of the bottles and
cans were picked up by the chil-
dren themselves and placed in
plastic bags. Most were able to en-
joy themselves without causing a
nuisance to nearby residents.

PC 387 Ian Rafferty
**My office contact number has
changed to—01473 383487**

"MUSIC ON THE GREEN" 12TH JULY 2003

Latest News

Summer's just around the corner &
with summer comes....

"Music on the Green"

Yes!! Be sure to be on The Green on
12th July from 10:30 am - 10:30
pm for non-stop LIVE MUSIC - that's
next month!! Look out for your FREE
programme in next month's
Martlesham Monthly.

Be sure to book your pitch &
make some money for your organi-
sation - phone 622874.

No need to book for the Car
Boot Sale - just turn up on the day
from 7 am.

Refreshments, entertainers,
grand raffle, stalls, all on offer all
day.

The day will start with enter-
tainment from The Angel Players.

Local bands One Day Life,
Interquartile, BlueWave Band,
Plush, Martlesham Brass, Lightbody,
Lemonade, Simon Lambert & The
Baby Cynics plus many more bands
will all be performing throughout
the day on two stages as well as
the headline act **Soul Kitchen**, on
stage from 8:30 pm.

Entry is FREE.

Several local businesses have
generously donated raffle prizes.
Tickets will be on sale in local shops
soon.

We are also indebted to our
sponsors which this year include
**Howard Plant, Douglas Bader,
Red Lion, Chalk & Cheese, Private
Properties, Martlesham Develop-
ments, Martlesham Body Repair,
BT exact, Ryan Insurance Group,
GMA Warehousing & Transport
Ltd, The Property Gallery and The
Martlesham Monthly.** The commit-
tee would like to thank the sponsors
on behalf of the Village, without
these sponsors the day would not
be possible.

Here's hoping the sun will be
shining on a huge crowd on The
Green on 12th July, all benefiting
St Elizabeth Hospice & Guide Dogs
for the Blind.

**Visit our website for the latest
news www.musiconthegreen.com**

Paul Firman 01473 622874

MARTLESHAM CHURCH FETE

Martlesham Church Fete will be held on **Saturday 28th June 2003** at **2:30 pm** in the grounds of the **Old Rectory, Martlesham** (next to St. Marys Church), by kind permission of Mr A Pennington. This year the Fete is in aid of **St Elizabeth Hospice** and the **East Anglian Childrens' Hospice**. There will be all the usual stalls and games, and refreshments will be available. Items for the stalls can be left at either St. Marys or St. Michaels, but perishable items should be brought on the day. Offers to help run a stall would also be welcome. Please contact **Chris** or **Liz Howard** on **01473 625617** for more details.

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.

Working Parties

There are often a number of tasks needing to be undertaken that can be safely carried by volunteers. It has been decided to have a monthly working party on the last Saturday each month when parish councillors and any other volunteers will be carrying out these tasks. Volunteers are most welcome and if you are interested please contact

the Clerk for further details.

New Parish Councillors

Thirteen people have been nominated to serve as parish councillors as follows:-

Martlesham Ward—Ian O'Brien Baker, Jackie Bear, Laurence Burrows, John Forbes, David Gibbs, Michael Irwin, John Kelso, John Naylor, Peter Niven, Judith Rixon and Walter Welch.

Martlesham North Ward—Anthony Taylor

Martlesham West Ward—Duncan Sweeting

Their first meeting was on Wednesday 14th May when the chairman, vice-chairman, committees and representatives were all decided.

Cycling On Paths

Many people, particularly young people, often ride on the paths and a regular complaint is the danger they cause to pedestrians. Would all cyclists please take care and show consideration to pedestrians by warning them that you are there and by avoiding riding at or close to them. Thank you.

Meetings

* Parish Council - Wednesday 4th June and 2nd July

* Development Plans Committee - Wednesday 11th June

* Recreation & Amenities Committee - Wednesday 18th 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.

Contacting the Council

In writing to the Clerk, Martlesham Parish Council Office, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham, Woodbridge, IP12 4PB.

Telephone or fax 01473 612632 via any councillor.

E-mail: martleshampc@btclick.com

Laurence Burrows - Chairman

MARTLESHAM IN BLOOM

Summer Hanging Baskets in The Square, Martlesham Heath.

At the time of writing there are four summer hanging baskets in The Square still needing sponsors.

Sponsors names are displayed with the baskets, any business, society or individual(s) interested in sponsoring a basket at only £25 per basket.

Please contact J Maureen Burrows (Secretary), 17 Squires Lane, Martlesham Heath, Ipswich, IP5 3UG (Tel: 01473 625196).

Garden Competitions for Martlesham Parishioners and Businesses to enter. Entry is free.

Forms can be obtained from:-

Merchem Pharmacy, 9 The Square, Martlesham Heath. The Post Office Stores, Black Tiles Lane, Martlesham or from the address at the end of this article.

(A) Most Attractive Front Garden

Sponsored by Home Meadows Nursery Ltd. (The Meadhome Cup)

(B) Most Colourful Hanging

Basket(s) and/or Containers in the Front Garden
Sponsored by Windmills Florist, Woodbridge (Windmill's Florist Cup)

(C) An Interesting Low Maintenance Garden

Sponsored by Chris Ling's Garden Scene. (The Garden Scene Cup)

(D) Best Summer Floral or Planting Display at Public Houses, Restaurants and Small Retail Outlets

(E) Best Floral or Planting Display at an Industrial/Commercial Unit or Large Retail Outlet

(F) Best Kept Road, Place, Close, Square, Lane or Street *et al.* in the Parish of Martlesham

For competitions (D), (E) and (F), certificates will be presented by **Martlesham in Bloom**.

Special awards may be made for gardens that have been outstanding in the past years.

Martlesham in Bloom Event
"TALKING FLOWERS"
Tuesday 3rd June 8:00 pm
in The Pavilion, Martlesham
Heath

*An evening on a gardening theme
hosted by the Martlesham in
Bloom team*

Including raffle, refreshments,
and Bring & Buy

All welcome

Martlesham in Bloom &
Martlesham Community
Council Event

MUSICAL GARDEN PARTY
Sunday 22nd June
3:00 pm to 6:30 pm
At 'Jaydene', Main Road,
Martlesham.

Entry £2.00 adults and 50p
children 16 or under.

Drinks will be available.

Bring a chair and a picnic tea
and enjoy the live music.

If you would like information on any of the above please contact:-
J. Maureen Burrows (Secretary), 17
Squires Lane, Martlesham Heath,
tel: 01473 625196.

MARTLESHAM VILLAGE
PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

Thanks to tremendous support from members contributing plants and cakes, our Spring Fayre was an outstanding success resulting in a record sum for our funds. Thanks also to the customers for coming and spending their money with us. It was not only "Bring and Buy" but also a friendly and happy event, a good day all round.

Then our visit to South Walsham, when 45 people travelled on a fine day to the "Fairhaven Woodland and Water Gardens", provided a delightful change to the usual formal gardens visited. Several of our party said what a lovely, relaxed experience it was to stroll through trees with flowering shrubs and the large carpets of

of showy candelabra primulas. The boat trip in the Broad also contributed to the enjoyment of the day.

There are no meetings planned during the summer, giving members time to get out and do their own thing in the outdoors. Happy Gardening!

Stan Harris-tel: 623427

MARTLESHAM & DISTRICT
FLOWER CLUB

Sally Oakley was the speaker this month and her demonstration was entitled "Just Me". Her pieces included both traditional and modern arrangements.

Throughout her demonstration she regaled the club with anecdotes of her past, training at the Constance Spry school, running her own business "Plant Life" and doing the flowers at many London theatres and Buckingham Palace, no less.

The vote of thanks was given by Margaret Forbes who also won the competition.

Our next meeting will take place on June 18th when Mrs Jill Nicholls is the demonstrator—her theme "June is Bursting Out All Over".

The competition for June will be a Wedding Corsage or Roses all the way.

The club meets on the third Wednesday of the month in St. Michael's Church Centre at 2:30 pm. Annual Subscription is £10 with visitors welcome at £2 per session. There is always a plant and flower arrangers stall at each meeting.

On Tuesday June 10th Mrs Norma Jessup kindly invites everyone to her garden at 32 Angela Close to enjoy tea and biscuits at 2:30 pm. There will be a plant stall and raffle. Do come along with a friend.

A. Chisem

MARTLESHAM W.I.

The May meeting commenced with a short time of silence as a tribute to Mary Clancy, a member who had recently died.

Resolutions to be put forward

at the I.G.M.. being held in London in June were discussed at length.

Following this discussion and at the conclusion of correspondence the meeting took on a more frivolous note with a mini Beetle Drive.

The subject at the next meeting on Friday 20th June at 7:30 pm in the Richard Room will be "Jigsaw Puzzles Past and Present" with the speaker being Mr Tom Tyler.

The competition will be "A Rose".

Visitors and new members welcome. Contact:- Secretary, Mrs B. Darke 624193.

Mrs S D Harris

MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB

At our meeting on April 17th our Chairman introduced us to Sarah, a make-up consultant, who gave a presentation entitled 'Graceful Beauty'. We were given a detailed demonstration in the art of make-up. Members were invited to ask questions throughout and many lessons were learnt. Jean O'Connor thanked Sarah for an enlightening and 'colourful' demonstration and talk. to the applause of all those present.

With her talk entitled 'Anecdotes from the Classroom', Jill Gray came to our meeting on May 7th. With much humour and pathos, Jill entertained us with many stories of herself as a school child, when she attended St John's C of E Primary School Ipswich, right through to her 12 years as a teacher. She said that a great sense of humour laced with common sense and fairness was needed in the education of today's young. Jill is now a Home Tutor for those unable to attend school for various reasons including poor health. Vera Pawsey thanked Jill for her very amusing talk and wished that she had had her for a teacher. Members' applause resounded in agreement.

A future date for your diaries, or kitchen calendar if you are like me!! On July 26th we will be holding our Annual Coffee Morning at 341 Main Road, starting at 10

o'clock, with many stalls, tombola, raffle, etc. Please try to come and support our fund raising for CLIC. We look forward to seeing you.

Our meetings in June are on the 12th with the AGM on the 26th.

Rita Smith

THE DEBEN PROBUS CLUB

The Deben Probus Club met on 28th April for a very interesting talk by Mike Rumsey about his home-brewing achievements.

The last meeting was held on Monday 19th May when we had our lunch at 1:00 pm, followed by a talk by Ms Valerie Donovan of the Suffolk Coastal District Council on Leisure and Tourism in Suffolk.

The Deben Probus Club meets to provide and encourage social contacts and fellowship amongst its members who are retired or semi-retired businessmen of sixty years or more.

We have an interesting and varied list of speakers lined up for the forthcoming months and these are supplemented by occasional day and half-day outings. Further interesting developments are in the pipeline!

New members are warmly welcomed and should contact Walter Gormer on 01473 252294 or Maurice Bush on 01394 386380 in the first instance.

KESGRAVE & DISTRICT HELP CENTRE

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 17 June 2003 at 7:30 pm in the Committee Room of the Kesgrave Community Centre. Members of the public are invited to attend.

There is a vacancy for a Trustee who will also be a member of the Management Committee.

If you would like to know more about this vacancy please contact Karen or Martin for details.

The Help Centre Office in the Community Centre is open Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00 am to 12 noon. Our 24 hour answerphone is on 01471 622574 or you can e-mail us at

kesgravehelpcentre@ukonline.co.uk

Ray Spratt

young babies where they can play with some protection from the larger children.

We are planning a sponsored slide for Wednesday 21st May, and there will be a prize for the person who collects the most sponsor money. We have the photographer coming on Wednesday June 11th 2003. A timeslot list is on the notice board at Toddlers. We are also hoping to arrange an old-fashioned tea party and a trip to Easton Farm Park to celebrate 25 years of the group. Dates for these events have not been decided as yet.

We are having a social event for the whole group. This has been booked for the Black Tiles on 26th June 2003 at 8 pm. Anyone who would like to come along should add their names to the list on the notice board at Toddlers.

Village Day is on July 12th 2003. We think we will have a car boot sale and a small stall. We have not decided what we are going to do on the stall yet so any suggestions would be welcomed.

In August we would like to arrange a summer trip for the children. In previous years we have been to Colchester Zoo, Stowmarket World of Adventure and Foxburrow Farm. If anyone has any ideas or suggestions for a visit please let a committee member know.

We are also planning to have a Craft Fair later in the year, and it has not yet been decided whether we will have another Ladies Night this year.

Please call me on 01394 387281 if you would like any further information.

Louisa Smith (secretary)

CALLING ALL MUMS...

The Mums' Club will be holding their monthly meeting on Tuesday 3rd June at St. Michael's Church Centre from 12:45 to 2:30 pm. Lunch will be served around 1 pm followed by a talk from Caroline Hawksley

who will tell us about the work of 'Home-Start' - a voluntary organisation that helps families in need of support.

All mums with babies and toddlers welcome - come along and meet your friends!

For more details please 'phone Sue on 624130.

ST. MICHAEL'S PRE-SCHOOL MARTLESHAM HEATH

The result of our Easter Holiday fund-raiser is in! The children managed to raise a staggering £280 - fantastic! The decorated butterflies will be proudly displayed at the pre-school shortly.

The theme for this term is 'Summer'. Our activities will include junk model octopuses, sand pictures, fish shape biscuits and making eye patches for our 'pirate' week. The children will be role playing as ice cream sellers, a day at the seaside and beach hut. Travel agent week will include bringing in a suitcase and some clothes to pack.

The pre-school have a very exciting outing arranged for Monday 9th June at RAF Wattisham to have a look at the helicopters. The trip will tie in with our theme of last term - 'people who help us'. This will be an all day event for all the pre-school children to enjoy.

Sunday 29th June will see our staff, committee and some of the parents take part in a sponsored walk/run called 'Race for Life'. The event is to raise money for cancer research and is to be held in Chantry Park. St Michael's Pre-School entered a team last year and it is hoped that we can be as successful this year.

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

Rachael Vest

**MARTLESHAM PRE-SC HOOL
PLAYGROUP**

*invites you to come and Clown
around at their*

FUN DAY

*on Saturday 28th June
from 1 pm—4 pm at the
Control Tower, Martlesham Heath*

Attractions include -
Magician
Pony Rides
Face Painting
Miniature Train Rides
Bouncy Castle
Martlesham Brass Band

**MARTLESHAM MOTHERS'
UNION**

A great time was held by all of about 50 at the MU May gathering. They all partook of an excellent ploughman's lunch, brought and bought at the various stalls displayed with a variety of goodies and tried their luck in the raffle. As a result, £261 will be forwarded to MU headquarters to be used to help our poorer members overseas. There are many projects in Africa, including those pioneered by some of our local MU officers who have visited there and seen what is needed.

By the time you read this, a group of our members will have attended our Deanery Festival and paraded our banner at St. John's Church, Felixstowe on May 20th. Our next meeting will take place at St. Mary's Church on June 4th where we will be joined by members of other local branches. It will be a Corporate Communion Service.

Our annual outing is on Tuesday 15th July. We shall be boarding the Orwell Lady at Ipswich for a cruise down the river and afternoon tea will be served. If you have not yet booked your place, it would be advisable to contact Ann Berg as soon as possi-

ble.

Please remember Ena, Nesta, Doreen, Ethel, Brenda and Peg in your prayers, together with any others you feel need our support.

A thought for the month; it is better to offer help with a smile rather than begrudgingly, and if it is accepted with a smile then everyone is happier. GOD BLESS.

Sheila Smith

**MARTLESHAM BEACON HILL
SCHOOL "RAISE THE ROOF"
CAMPAIGN**

For the past 19 months the school and community has been working hard to raise enough money to pay for a roof on our existing school swimming pool through our "Raise the Roof" campaign. We are pleased to say we have now raised enough money for the project and the new pool enclosure will be in place for indoor swimming in June 2003.

There are many people to thank, for raising money, giving donations, and helping with the building work. It has been hard work but all for a good cause.

We would also like to thank the organisations who have donated grants to help us meet our target, namely:- Suffolk Coastal District Council, The Market Towns Initiative, Suffolk Entrust, The Foundation for Sport & the Arts, Martlesham Parish Council.

With the pool enclosure complete, the swimming pool can now be used all year round. The pool is an excellent learner pool for children and with this all year round facility available it enables the children of the community to learn and advance their swimming skills. From June onwards the pool will be available to community youth organisations by booking through our Pool Manager, Ian Cotton (01473 635105). The pool schedule is filling fast so hurry while there are still slots available.

Stephen Stokes (School Governor)

**BUCKLESHAM SCHOOL
MIDSUMMER FAYRE**

Please note that this will be held on **Saturday June 21st, 12 noon until 4 pm**, on the school playing field. There will be a whole range of stalls and attractions, and food will be available.

This is one of our biggest events of the year, and we look forward to seeing everybody there.

MARTLESHAM WIVES

Our May meeting was a visit to Woolpit Nurseries, where Pam showed us how to produce healthy colourful hanging baskets. This was followed by a delicious supper at the Stowmarket home of a friend of a member - many thanks to Jenny Matthews.

Our next meeting is on Monday 16th June. Meet at 6:45 pm at the Douglas Bader car park. By car to Easton (lifts available) for a short walk followed by a drink.

New members are always welcome (marital status immaterial!) - contact Jenny on 01473 626253.

Elaine Everitt

**St Elizabeth Hospice
Woodbridge & District Friends
UFFORD GARDEN SAFARI
SUNDAY 8th JUNE**

Gardens open 2:00 – 5:00 pm
11 Gardens to visit
Tickets £5.00 Children Free
Tickets from The Hospice Shop,
Woodbridge
or call
01394 460457 and 01394
382815

BRITISH RED CROSS WEEK

The total amount collected in Martlesham Heath during British Red Cross Week was £404.23.

Thank you to all who contributed to this total. Very many thanks to the nine stalwart collectors without whom the British Red Cross would be the poorer.

Anyone wishing to join us in collecting next year, do contact me.
Gill Edgar 630358

MARTLESHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

There was a disappointing turnout for the Annual General Meeting held on May 14th but nevertheless a significant amount of business was conducted. Paul Firman was elected Chairman and Archivist while John Tyler continues in the posts of Secretary/Treasurer. There was a report covering the past years meetings by the Secretary and a financial report by the Treasurer.

The meeting in June will be held in St. Michael's Church Centre on Tuesday 10th and will consist of a talk by Dr Sam Newton on "Raedwald, the Saxon King". This is the king whose grave is believed to be the ship burial at Sutton Hoo. Dr Newton is a renowned expert on the Saxon period in our history and has published several books on the subject.

The meeting will commence at 8 pm and all are welcome. Admission remains at £1.00.

As a follow-up to the April meeting we have been invited to tour Otley Hall on Sunday, August 3rd. The group must consist of 25 persons and the charge will be £6 per head. There will be a sign-up sheet at the June meeting to give us some idea how many are interested.

John Tyler – tel: 612736

NATIONAL OSTEOPOROSIS GROUP—LOCAL GROUP

As mentioned last month we are coming up to our Living with Osteoporosis day at Ufford Park Hotel, Yarmouth Road, Woodbridge on June 16th. This is our Group's annual event held in June, National Osteoporosis Month.

There will be speakers qualified to talk on every aspect of Osteoporosis, prevention and treatment and ways to make life easier for those already diagnosed. The cost of the day is £15.00 which includes an excellent buffet lunch, breaks for coffee and time for discussion and participation in an 'Any Questions?' session.

If you are interested in joining us we can still squeeze in just a few more. For full details and an application form telephone 01473 624474.

CAN YOU HELP?

A small party of Spanish students from Princeton Academia-De'Ingles near Madrid are coming to Woodbridge for the twelfth year running for a holiday and to experience the English way of life, and hopefully improve their English language skills. We are currently looking for more new friendly host families in the Woodbridge and surrounding areas to accommodate these boys and girls between the ages of 11 and 16 years. They will be arriving 24th June and staying until the 22nd July. They will be occupied all day during weekdays by either lessons or activities. This can also be a good opportunity for your children to make new friends from overseas and give them a cultural experience. So, if you feel you and your family could welcome one of these students into your home please contact me for more information on 01473 631786. A good reimbursement of £80 per week will be paid for all your expenses.

LOCAL ELECTIONS MAY 1ST 2003

John Kelso and Rebecca Foster wish to thank the people of Martlesham for their support in the recent District Council elections. We look forward to carrying out our duties as District Councillors for Martlesham for the next four years and will do our best to represent all of the residents of the village.

If you have any problems relating to District Council matters please contact us on 01473 626308, write to 115 Carlford Close or e-mail john.kelso@btinternet.com

The result in full was as follows:-

BLUNDELL, CHRISTOPHER JOHN
571 VOTES
FORBES, JOHN ROBERT GORDON
287 VOTES
FOSTER, REBECCA CLARE
674 VOTES
KELSO, JOHN MACNAIR
868 VOTES
RAMSEY, ANTHONY JOHN
491 VOTES

JOHN FORBES

John Forbes wishes to say thank you to all those who supported him in the District Council election on 1st May. It is good to know that so many people are interested in green issues.

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

Friday 2nd May and approximately 100 members and guests were present to hear a most interesting illustrated talk about "The Secret Army".

Mr John Warwicker MBE gave the talk and also present was his wife, Ann, Mr Michael Tipple, Mr Ken Nunn and his wife, Daphne. Mr Paul Mothersole was also present and operated the slide projector.

John Warwicker spoke very eloquently about desperate times during 1939/40 when we were expecting an invasion by Germany, and the purpose of the so-called "Secret Army" was to disrupt the enemy if an invasion had taken place.

A museum of the "British Resistance Organisation" is in existence at the Parham Aviation Museum and visitors are always welcome.

A vote of thanks was given by our President, Gordon Kinsey. He paid tribute to the bravery of local people who had been willing to volunteer for this work.

Our next meeting will be held as usual in the Community Hall behind Tesco's and the speaker will be Mr Alan Crouchman. His talk is entitled, "The Martin Marauder – and Other Things!"

Alan Powell

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 11-17 MAY 2003

Thank you very much to everyone who filled up a red envelope this year, and also to the army of volunteers who went out in the rain and helped to deliver and collect them. We are in the middle of counting the contents of the hundreds of envelopes received and will let you know the full total as soon as we can.

We are sure your generosity can help to change the world!
Carolyn Smith & Rosemary Still
625630

MARTLESHAM HEATH YOUTH CLUB

**GRAND DRAW AND CAKE STALL
IN AID OF NEW EQUIPMENT**

**SATURDAY 28TH JUNE 2003
10:00 am – 12:00 NOON**

AT THE PAVILION, MARTLESHAM
HEATH

TEA AND COFFEE SERVED

ALL WELCOME

MARTLESHAM CONSULTANTS LTD

'Caring for your Village'

In order to keep members more up to date with matters concerning the village, MCL is arranging to erect a notice board on The Square on which information and items of general interest can be displayed. Once planning consent has been obtained we hope it will not be too long before it is operational.

Once again youngsters have been digging in the woods to make a BMX track. The last time this happened, MCL had to pay to get the land levelled and restored but this time some directors have volunteered to get out their shovels and do the work themselves. Parents should be aware that MCL cannot be held responsible for any accidents or injury that may befall their children whilst riding their bikes on these excavations. Cycling in the woods is perfectly acceptable but the digging of holes and humps cannot be allowed for reasons of safety.

Some progress is being made on the acquisition of the lease of the remainder of the Western Corridor. A meeting has been held with English Nature and a plan is currently being drawn up for the management of the SSSI area, for which grants will be available. MCL is working out the probable costs for maintaining the additional land and as soon as all the information has been compiled it will be put before the membership.

On Village Day we will be having our usual stand but this year we are inviting primary school chil-

dren to take part in a competition to design a poster illustrating the wildlife on the Western Corridor. Details for entry will be posted at both Birchwood and Gorseland schools. Posters will be judged on Village Day and prizes awarded.

Although we do not suffer a great deal of vandalism on Martlesham Heath it was very disappointing to see a newly planted tree on Eagle Way near to Coopers Road snapped off.

Please remember that the MCL Board meets at St. Michaels Church Centre on the third Monday of each month at 7:15 pm and members are very welcome to attend. Alternatively you can leave a voicemail message on 01473 612207 or e-mail: mcl.mh@btinternet.com

MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP

On Sunday 8th June we will be holding our next working party when we will be returning to the western corridor - Martlesham Heath site of special scientific interest. Meet outside the Douglas Bader at 10 am.

Many thanks to all those who came along and helped on our last meeting, when we conducted a bird survey of our local woodland on the heath. The weather, although a bit blustery, was kind to us and we managed to complete the survey just before it began to rain. We saw but mostly heard a good number of birds, altogether a total of 27 different species. We heard at least two nightingales and a few different types of warbler, as well as some more common birds. We also caught a fleeting glimpse of a sparrowhawk and a bullfinch and saw a few butterflies including orange tip, green veined white, holly blue and speckled wood. We will be analysing the results and comparing them with the results from previous years. These results may give us valuable information on which areas to concentrate any management effort.

Phil Smith 625630

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST

The Suffolk Wildlife Trust will be holding a morning market at Melton Hall, next to the traffic lights along the road from the Coach and Horses in Melton, on Saturday 14th June from 10 am to 12:30 pm. The grounds of Melton Hall provide a wonderful setting for this event, with lovely gardens and mature trees backed by a wildlife meadow. There will be teas, coffees, cakes, bric-a-brac, Suffolk Wildlife Trust sales, plants, books, hand painted cards, pony rides, face painting and other stalls. Please come along to this event—we really need your support for a successful event. Any contributions for the above stalls will also be very welcome.

The annual plant sale took place on Sunday 11th May at Foxburrow farm. A total of £589.59 was raised. Many thanks to all those who came along and bought plants or refreshments, your support is much appreciated.

We have another wildlife walk on Friday 27th June at 8:30 pm. Meet at Rendlesham Forest centre car park (TM355482) when we will be hoping to hear and see Nightjars and bats. Come along and join us for a walk through the forest.

Phil Smith 625630

PORTAL AVENUE WOODLANDS MANAGEMENT/ CONSERVATION GROUP

In the last input, my date and day for the next work day were incompatible, my apologies. I have kicked myself, a difficult endeavour when you reach 60, but will try to ensure that it does not happen again. Despite all the forecasts of heavy and thundery showers, as normal, the Martlesham/Kesgrave area seems to be avoiding a worthwhile downpour and the Woodland is extremely dry. However, touch wood, we seem to have so far avoided any of the fires/arson that have plagued the local area and the new hedges along the A1214 and Portal Avenue, although looking a little bit droopy, are surviving!

As well as conservation, we

are trying to maintain some of the remnants of the old airfield and currently this involves the old airfield aircraft revetment near the A1214 junction with Deben Avenue. We have currently replaced many of the old cement sandbags that had fallen from place, and are building steps up to the top of the revetment to allow people easy access to view the structure. This is occasionally being hampered by vandalism by youngsters. We would be grateful if anyone seeing this type of activity could explain that these revetments are now almost unique in this country and should be retained.

This year we are starting a glow worm survey and it will take place on Saturday the 28th June (I have checked this). We will meet at the old airfield Control Tower at 9 o'clock in the evening and walk through the Woodlands down the perimeter track to the Tesco underpass of the A12, counting sightings. If you would like an unusual Saturday evening please join us, all are welcome.

Our working morning in June is on Sunday 15th and we meet at the entrance to the Police Headquarters sports field at 10 o'clock. You need to bring nothing but yourself, and all are welcome. If you require more information Group contacts are: Chairman - Duncan Sweeting 01473 622859, Secretary - Peter Izzard 01473 611291, Martlesham Parish Council 01473 612632

THE RED LION **Watercolour Challenge 2003**

We are holding our second annual Watercolour Challenge on Saturday 21st June. Last year's event was a great success and we are once again looking for enthusiastic amateur watercolourists to paint a picture, this time at a secret location. Contestants are to meet at the Red Lion at 9 am, from where they will be taken to the location and painting will be from 10 am until 3 pm with a one hour lunch break.

Lunch is provided along with refreshments throughout the day.

You can find details of last years event and the contestants work on our website at www.redlionmartlesham.co.uk. If you would like further details, or would like to enter, please call Sam on 01394 382169. There is no entry fee but we do ask you to donate your painting to be auctioned to the highest bidder.

The Auction - Monday 23rd June

The auction starts at 7:30 pm and we can guarantee some fantastic buys. If the standard is any match on last year the art will be amazing so if you are an art lover please come along and support a good cause. The funds raised will go to CLIC (Cancer and Leukaemia In Children), so you can be charitable and come away with a unique moment of time captured in watercolour. Visit our website for more details.

MARTLESHAM BRASS

Looking back...

On May 11th Martlesham Brass took 3 bands to the East Anglian Brass Band Association Spring Festival in Norwich. 87 players, plus nearly as many supporters, made an early start in order to be at St Andrew's Hall by 8:30 am.

Our Intermediate band entered the Junior Youth section, which is for players under 15 years old. They came second in the test piece competition, with their rendition of the recently composed 'A Sutton Hoo Suite' by Stuart Johnson. This piece was commissioned by the EABBA, who also organised workshops with the composer. Both our Intermediate and Preliminary bands benefited from this opportunity.

The Preliminary band came second in the 'C' section, also playing 'A Sutton Hoo Suite.' In 2002 Martlesham Brass Main Band was promoted from the 'C' to 'B' section. This year, performing 'Devon Fantasy' by Eric Ball, in a section consisting of 5 very competitive bands, we were overjoyed to achieve a creditable 3rd place in the test

piece.

Entry to the EABBA Spring Festival marks the culmination of months of practice by all the players, and the performances on the day, as well as the results, reflect all the hard work the players and bandleaders have put in. Congratulations to all those who took part.

On 25th May the Intermediate band played at the Framlingham Gala, in the grounds of Framlingham Castle. The band played a wide range of music from The Beatles to Pachabel's Canon and the Sutton Hoo suite.

Looking forward...

Here are details of upcoming events in June:

June 7th Tuddenham Fete - Prelim Band

June 7th St Michael's Martlesham Heath, Songs of Praise - Main Band

June 21st Martlesham Brass Summer Fair, St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath.

The fun starts at 2 pm. There will be a Grand Draw, Cake Stall, Tombolas, Games and Refreshments, as well as live music performed by our Beginners, Preliminaries, Intermediate and Main bands. It will be a great afternoon of entertainment so do come and join us.

June 28th Norwood Residential Home, Ipswich - Intermediates

June 28th Martlesham Pre-school Playgroup Fun Day - Preliminaries

Here are details of upcoming events in July:

July 5th Kesgrave Fun Day

July 12th Martlesham 'Music on the Green'

July 13th Martlesham 'Service on the Green'

July 19th Chelmondiston Fete

July 19th Martlesham Brass Summer Concert, St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath

The concert starts at 7 pm. Tickets will be on sale at the Summer Fair, and from then on can be ordered by telephoning 01473 611578.

If you would like to know more about Martlesham Brass please visit our website at www.martleshambrass.btinternet.co.uk or telephone our band secretary Nicol, on 01473 404472.

Alison Eyley
Martlesham Brass Publicity Officer

MARTLESHAM BOWLS CLUB

Our bowling season opened on April 26th, a fine day for a change, as often the first day's games had been cancelled because of the weather. As usual the warm up was a "spider" - everybody rolled one wood, the nearest to the cot wins. One of our new members won (his first day play on the green) Peter Walker, well done Peter. This was followed by the spoon drive, with the silver spoon going to Gordon Levett and the wooden spoon to Eric Rollins.

Tony Cooper has started this years 100 club, so see him if you want a prize every month (well maybe).

All the leagues and friendlies have now started get your names down to play.

The Shelia McIntyre Rose Bowl is on Saturday June 7th - still a few vacancies at the time of writing.

On Saturday June 21st is the Coronation Cup - the list is in the pavilion.

The Thurlow Cup will be played on July 5th. Entries by in June 28th please.

Every Saturday and Wednesday there is a roll up at 2:30 pm.

The next committee meeting is on Monday July 7th, 7:00 pm.

Linda Brown, our secretary, has all the gen. Her telephone no. is 01394 384698.

Jack Cot

THE MOB

What a season it has been! We have finished Division 5 champions and Junior Cup winners.

We were the best team in the division. On the way to the title we scored 118 goals and let in just 34.

The Junior Cup was the icing on a very good cake. We beat Wetherden in the final on April 30th. They scored first late in the game before Renee Swann converted a penalty for us to take the game into extra time. The MOB's extra fitness paid off as we remained camped in Wetherdens' half for virtually the entire time. Goals from Rory Jackson and a

solo effort from Neil Simpson put paid to any opposition there was. The celebrations after the final whistle were a pleasure to behold and everyone who was there that day shared in the glory.

Our end of season party/presentation night was at The Curve Bar in Ipswich. The main awards were received as follows:

Most Improved Player of the Year—Dale Fowler

Management Player of the Year—Mark Isaacs

Players Player of the Year—Renee Swann

The trophies went to those three but each and every player who turned out for The MOB this year deserves great credit and praise for the part they played. It takes more than 3 people to make a squad and Ivor and Ian want to extend their thanks to everyone involved. The MOB is like a large family (with all its tribulations) but when all is said and done a family pulls through together because of combined strength.

The next event on the calendar is Village day on July 12th. We look forward to seeing you there. Until then and of course until next season, we wish you all good fortune.

THE MOBSTER

CALLING ALL EX MEMBERS OF ROUND TABLE & LADIES CIRCLE

Woodbridge has active 41 and Tangent Clubs for ex Round Tablers and Ladies Circlers. Both welcome new members previously of those clubs and also those who have moved into the Martlesham area.

An interest evening is being held at The Bull Hotel, Woodbridge on Tuesday 17th June 7—8:30 pm. Anyone interested in renewing or establishing links with the local clubs is welcome. If interested but unable to attend, please contact 41 or Tangent Club chairmen Mike Stiff (01473 738393) or Beryl Clarke (01394 386394) respectively.

THOUGHTS FROM YOUR PARISH CHURCH

Will you be celebrating on Sunday June 8th? Celebrate what, you may well be forgiven for asking. Pentecost, like Easter, is a movable feast, but although we still keep it in Church on the 7th Sunday after Easter, the day after is no longer regarded as a 'Holy Day'. Instead, we have already celebrated with a May Day Bank Holiday and a Spring Bank Holiday on the first and last Mondays in May, both of them Secular feasts.

As a matter of interest, I looked up 'Pentecost' in the dictionary and it gave two meanings; '1. Whit Sunday', and '2. Jewish Harvest Festival 50 days after the 2nd Day of the Passover'.

For Christians, Pentecost is the 3rd of the Church Festivals, coming after Christmas and Easter. It celebrates the birth of the Christian Church with the coming of the Holy Spirit to the Disciples of Jesus. Before World War 2 there used to be long Processions of Witness through the centres of most large cities, when Whitsuntide was still observed as a Christian Festival, with Sunday School children carrying huge banners as witness to their faith.

Today Christian witness seems very low key, although St. Michael's congregation did process with palm leaves alongside the village green on Palm Sunday and a group carried a large wooden cross from St. Mary's to St. Michael's on Good Friday.

The emblems signifying Pentecost are a dove and fire, the dove expressing the peace of God, while the fire indicates the burning desire of true Christians to fulfil God's purpose for them.

I would love to see a huge birthday party for the Christian Church held on Martlesham Heath to show that professed Christians are still willing to stand up and be counted. However, there will be a celebratory 'Songs of Praise' in St. Michael's Church on the afternoon of Saturday June 7th. Hope to see you there!



THE CHURCH IN MARTLESHAM & BRIGHTWELL

PLEASE NOTE if you need to contact the church here are the details—Tel: 01473 625320, Mobile no: 07947 592118 and e-mail address: lcsc@isitme.freereserve.co.uk
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Services for the Month	Brightwell St. John's	Martlesham St. Mary's	Martlesham Heath St. Michael's
Sunday 1st June Easter 7	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion BCP	9:45am All Age Worship 6:30pm Informal Worship
Saturday 7th June			4pm Pentecost Praise and Tea
Sunday 8th June Pentecost	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion and Sunday School
Sunday 15th June Trinity Sunday	8am Holy Communion	11am Family Holy Communion	9:45am Worship and Sunday School 6:30pm Informal Worship
Sunday 22nd June Trinity 1	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion and Sunday School
Sunday 29th June Trinity 2 St Peter and Paul	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion and Sunday School
Sunday 6th July Trinity 3	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion BCP	9:45am All Age Worship 6:30pm Informal Worship

MIDWEEK SERVICES: Wednesdays 10am Holy Communion at St. Michael's. BRIGHT STARS on 12/06/03 and 26/06/03 at St. Michael's.

PRAYER DIARY FOR JUNE

Pray daily for world peace, our parish and:
8 Pentecost: give thanks for the Holy Spirit
 9 for young people doing exams this month
 10 for the lonely
 11 for the residents of Chandos Court
 12 for those who feed the hungry
 13 for all who serve God in the church
 14 for the work of the Suffolk Wildlife Trust
15 Trinity Sunday: for our understanding of God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit
 16 for members of house groups

17 for those affected by drought
 18 for the residents of Chandos Drive
 19 for the work of Inspire, Christian counselling
 20 for those who shelter the homeless
 21 rejoice in the beauty of creation
22 give thanks that we can worship God freely
 23 that we may grow in faith and love
 24 John the Baptist: for all who point the way to Jesus
 25 for the residents of Church Lane
 26 for the victims of drug abuse
 27 for all who suffer persecution for their faith
 28 for fellowship and fun at the church fete
29 St Peter & Paul: for all leaders in

the church
 30 for those out of work
JULY 1 for parents of young children
 2 for the residents of Clayton Court
 3 for our local GPs and nurses
 4 for those who work for peace
 5 for all who have to work today
6 for the witness of the worldwide church
 7 for those are not valued