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## **MARTLESHAM MONTHLY**

Martlesham Monthly are pleased to tell you that we have hired a garage in the Village for Community storage. This is available to all groups and organisations for storage of small equipment. There will be no charge for this service.

Also we have a garden Marquee for rent which is suitable for small garden and family parties. It measures 9m x 3m. The cost of hire will be £10.

Please contact Paul Firman 01473 622874.

## **MARTLESHAM MONTHLY**

We endeavour to deliver a copy of Martlesham Monthly to every household within the boundaries of Martlesham. However, we have just discovered that a few houses on the very edge of the parish have not, and never have, had a copy of the magazine delivered to them. We are taking immediate steps to rectify this situation and apologise to those families who have missed out all this time.

If you know of anyone living within the boundaries of Martlesham who have not been receiving their copy please let me know. Roy Berridge 01473 611624.

## **MARTLESHAM PARISH PLAN**

**\* YOUR FUTURE \***

**Your chance to have you  
say to improve life in  
Martlesham**

Between the end of August and the end of September a questionnaire will be delivered to every household in the parish of Martlesham.

Please spare a few minutes to complete it and it will be collected a few days later.

The questionnaire and your answers will be absolutely confidential.

Your responses will be collated, a report produced and an action plan prepared. These will:-

- Highlight residents' issues and concerns.
- Provide a plan of how improvements can be achieved.
- Show what needs to be protected.
- Be a persuasive influence to other authorities.
- Help local groups provide or improve local facilities.
- Feed into Suffolk Coastal's Local Development Plan

A summary of the plan will be available when completed.

The Martlesham Parish Plan is being prepared by the Parish Plan Steering Group - over 20 people from all walks of life who want to help you improve and influence the future of Martlesham.

If you would like to help in any way (eg:- delivering/collecting questionnaires), please leave your name and contact details with Mrs Lynne Lodge, Parish Council Office, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham, Woodbridge, IP12 4PB, tel: 01473 612632 or e-mail: [martleshampc@btclick.com](mailto:martleshampc@btclick.com).

## **MUSIC ON THE GREEN**

### **THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!**

A big thank you to everyone who attended, participated in and helped with **MUSIC ON THE GREEN** on Saturday 10th July. What a fantastic day it was! I have lived in Martlesham Heath for 26 years, and that is the most people I have seen on the Village Green at any one time. Against all odds, even the weather was fantastic.

A day like that cannot occur without an enormous amount of planning and effort from a lot of people and I would like to thank all the organising committee, who attended numerous meetings throughout the year, and all the volunteers who turned up on the Friday to set up and those who turned up on the Saturday to help put all the equipment away. They all gave their time so willingly over the weekend to enable an event like that to happen.

Thank you also to our sponsors **Howard Plant, Douglas Bader, Red Lion, Chalk & Cheese, Booth Tarmacadam, Martlesham Body Repair, BT Exact, Ryan Insurance Group, GMA Warehousing & Transport Ltd, The Property Gallery, The Martlesham Monthly, Fraser-Hann, Gordon Burke Transport, The Evening Star, McColls** and **Signs Express**. Without them "**MUSIC ON THE GREEN**" would not exist, and we are very grateful to them.

Thank you to all the bands and musicians who gave us a wonderful range of music throughout the day. Thank you to all the stall holders and car booters, all of whom go towards making the day an enjoyable success. Also thanks to The St Johns Ambulance Team and PC Ian Rafferty who, along with his colleague, was on duty all day.

Last, but by no means least, thank you to all the people who attended the event. We hope you all enjoyed it as much as you appeared to. To see everyone dancing and joining in right through until 10:30 pm was an unbelievable sight and made all the hours of planning worthwhile.

We shall be announcing soon

how much money we have raised for St Elizabeth's Hospice and Guide Dogs for The Blind. It looks to be up on last year.

Looking forward to next year!!

You can now keep up to date throughout the year by visiting [www.musiconthegreen.com](http://www.musiconthegreen.com).

Paul Firman  
Chairman

## **MARTLESHAM HEATH PAVILION**

To book The Martlesham Heath Pavilion please call 01473 621406, not the telephone number shown in the advert. Also the Management Committee now have some tables and chairs which can be hired at a very reasonable rate.

Please contact Paul Firman 01473 622874.

**THE BOTTLE BANK  
HAS NOW BEEN  
TAKEN AWAY. DO YOU  
AGREE OR DISAGREE?  
PLEASE WRITE IN TO  
THE MARTLESHAM  
MONTHLY AND LET US  
KNOW.**

## **MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Grants**

Any parish organization or society that may need financial assistance from the parish council next year (2005/06) should obtain an application form from the Clerk and submit the completed form and supporting information to the Parish Clerk by 18th November. The November meeting of the council's Finance & General Purposes Committee will be considering all such applications as part of its budget preparations.

### **Recycling Centre near The Square**

This well used facility has been removed following a complaint from a nearby resident and because of safety concerns. We have since received several complaints about its removal and we are hoping that an

alternative site can be found nearby. Any suggestions would be helpful but we have been told that it cannot go on the East car park.

### **Parish Notice Boards**

There are 12 notice boards provided throughout Martlesham by the parish council. They are needed for parish council notices but notices, posters, etc. for Martlesham organisations and events are permitted provided they are no larger than A4, fixed by drawing pins only and not put up too far in advance (up to two weeks beforehand). The clerk regularly visits the boards to put up new notices and tidy existing displays.

Any commercial advertising, for sale notices, etc. are not allowed and will be removed; similarly notices of a political nature are not permitted and will also be removed.

If you have any query about the use of the boards please contact the clerk.

### **Play Areas**

The Parish Council looks after all four playgrounds in the parish - Recreation Ground, Jubilee Playspace (behind Beacon Hill School), Centenary Playspace (near Gorseland School) and the Harry Higgins Play Area (behind the Pavilion); they are there for all youngsters to enjoy. They are regularly inspected by councillors and there are two inspections a year by qualified inspectors; any repairs are arranged as soon as we are aware of them. If you do see anything damaged or broken please contact the Clerk as soon as you can.

### **Public Footpaths**

We are fortunate to have many public footpaths in the countryside within our parish and many are enjoyed by walkers from Martlesham and elsewhere. If you are aware of any problems, e.g. blocked by vegetation, missing signs, poor conditions, damaged stiles or gates, etc., please let the Clerk know.

The Parish Council is preparing a new leaflet for the Martlesham Circular Walk which is hoped to be published later in the year.

### **Meetings**

\* Parish Council—Wednesday 4th

August and 1st September.

\* Development Plans Committee - Wednesday 11th August.

\* Recreation & Amenities Committee - Wednesday 18th August.

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](mailto:martleshampc@btclick.com)  
Laurence Burrows - Chairman

### **MARTLESHAM CONSULTANTS LIMITED**

#### **Looking After Our Village**

We are pleased to report that our recent requests for new Directors have borne some fruit: we now have been able to co-opt two new Directors on to the Board and have one other volunteer interested in joining the Board. However, we still need more to join to bring us up to full strength, particularly in view of the fact we shall be losing three people at the end of the year. So do please come forward if you feel able to give some time, or perhaps attend one of the Board Meetings to see what goes on.

The situation regarding the notice board is becoming quite promising. The notice board has been ordered, planning permission applied for and a location decided upon. It should all come together very soon now.

It is now the time of year when we remind residents to be vigilant concerning heath fires. Although everywhere at present is rather damp, it does not take long for the gorse to dry out.

There have been a few problems recently with anti social behaviour - dog bins burnt and signs damaged, etc. We are fortunate that we do not have too many of these instances but it might be help-

ful if where they are seen to occur they are reported to the police, then perhaps these things may be nipped in the bud.

Finally, there will be no Board Meeting during August. The next meeting will be MONDAY 20th SEPTEMBER.

As always the address is 6 The Square, voicemail: 01473 612207, e-mail [mcl.mh@btinternet.com](mailto:mcl.mh@btinternet.com)

### **MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**(Registered Charity 273769)**

#### **Progress of Community Projects**

We have received some quotes for professional fees to cover the construction of the proposed new Village Hall & changing rooms. This will help in the construction of a grant application. We are also planning to get started on the base of the car park early to help parking at football games and avoid the mud! Those interested in possibly using the new village hall hopefully saw the plans at Music on the Green. If not contact Jackie Bear on 01473 623007.

A review of the tenders for the new Sports Hall feasibility study has been made and the results will be presented back to the next MCC meeting.

Background on all the projects can also be found on the Martlesham Community website at <http://www.martlesham.org.uk>

#### **Fund Raising**

We raised £132 at the Garden Party split 50/50 with Martlesham in Bloom. A big thank you to Jackie & Maureen for organising a successful event. We also made over £300 at Music on the Green.

#### **Events**

A reminder of the events confirmed for the rest of the year. If you want further information on any of these events, please contact Jackie on 01473 623007.

\* 11th September - Film archive evening in St Michaels Church Centre (£4, £2.50 concessions).

\* 18th September - Woodbridge Excelsior Band at Woodbridge Community Hall (£5, £4 concessions).

\* 26th September - Martlesham Circular sponsored walk from the Red Lion. Family walk for charity around

this beautiful walk – raise money for your own favourite charity as well as MCC. Contact Dave Green on 01473 625080 for registration details and sponsor form (cost £2—registration between 10:30—12:00).

\* 10th October - Annual 10k race around Martlesham Heath organised by Woodbridge Lions who will be kindly donating to the new Village Hall and changing rooms project.

\* 20th November - Giant jumble sale, in the new Pavilion. JUMBLE WANTED – please contact Jackie on 623007 if you have some.

\* 27th November - Christmas Old Tyme Music Hall in the Community Hall. Coming in period costume is encouraged (and note the Jumble sale the week before!!).

Dave Green (MCC scribe), [dave.green@btinternet.com](mailto:dave.green@btinternet.com)

### **MARTLESHAM & DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB**

"Memories" was the subject of Mrs M Griffith's demonstration in July. This was the first visit of Mrs Griffiths to our club having recently moved to East Anglia from Jersey.

Her first arrangement was a traditional one, using a container that she first used 30 years ago when she started flower arranging.

Mrs Griffiths then produced an asymmetrical arrangement, to which she added a fairy because she remembered that her first recitation at school was "There Are Fairies at the Bottom of My Garden". There followed a double arrangement of garden flowers, and two others in pots that held memories for Mrs Griffiths. The final arrangement was representing an African sunset, which brought back memories of a wonderful holiday spent in South Africa.

Ann Berg gave a vote of thanks to Mrs Griffiths for an enjoyable afternoon.

The competition, "Granny's Treasures", was won by Ann Berg, with Shelagh Goddard winning the Novice Class.

The August meeting will be a Garden Party held in the gardens of Catherine Newton and Sheila Woods, 25a and 25b York Road 2:30-4:30 pm. Entry 50p. There will be a raffle, cake stall, plants and bric-a-brac. If wet, this will be held in

in the Church Centre.

On September 15th Mrs F Chasney from Bures will be the demonstrator, her subject "The Pleasure of Flowers". The competition will be Colour Harmony.

The club meets at St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath, on the third Wednesday of each month at 2:30 pm.

Annual subscription is £10 with visitors welcome at £2 per session. There is a plant and flower arrangers stall at each meeting.

Ruth Mellen 01473 624401

### **MARTLESHAM VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION**

Our indoor evening meetings are not held during this time of the year but we do get together on outside visits.

In June a party went to Langford Fort one evening and were ably conducted around by Ron Manning, one of our members who is also a regular guide at the Fort. It was a thoroughly entertaining and interesting evening. Then recently 42 members and friends went to Bradenham Hall Garden and Arboretum in Norfolk for a day trip. It was good to see the big Georgian house surrounded by well kept lawns and gardens planted up with both mature and new trees of numerous varieties.

Our Autumn programme starts in September with the Autumn Show and this is followed by meetings fortnightly through the winter.

Programme cards are with the printers and will be distributed to members shortly.

The Show on 11th September in St Michael's Church Centre will be open to all residents in the Parish to exhibit, whether members or not.

Entering is free of charge. A schedule of classes and full details can be obtained from our Show Secretary Bernard Ward, 17 Whinfield (01473 626918) or me. It is always encouraging to see exhibits from someone who has not taken part before and even more satisfying to find their entry among the winners. Please ask if you are at all interested—you will be most welcome (note that there are sec-

tions for children to enter too).

Happy Gardening,  
Stan Harris 01473 623427

### **MARTLESHAM W.I.**

Mrs Sheila Lain was the speaker at the July meeting. The subject was Wood Turning which Sheila demonstrated having brought her wood-turning machinery and tools with her. It was fascinating to watch a plain piece of a tree suddenly transformed into a useful and beautiful object. The competition for the evening "An Item Made of Wood" attracted several entries and was won by Mrs Betty Darke. Her entry, which had been in the family since Betty's childhood, was a set of four dolls-house size dining chairs made from one piece of wood which could be placed together to form the complete piece of wood again.

Pat Brown, Treasurer, was pleased to report that a profit of £112 was raised from the sale of bric-a-brac, books and a raffle on Village Day.

There will be no monthly meeting in August but on Friday 20th August a group of members will meet to have a guided tour of the Waterfront at the Ipswich Docks.

The annual outing on Saturday 7th August will be to visit the Aldeburgh Summer Theatre to see "Murder by Misadventure".

The September meeting on the 17th will be an "Open evening" when Mrs Westren will talk on East Anglia and the competition will be entitled – "An East Anglian Picture".

Sylvia Harris

### **MARKET ON THE GREEN**

Thanks to the organisers of Music on the Green the market stall was very busy all day.

We are open as usual at the pavilion every Tuesday from 9:00 to 10:30 am for our full range of home baked goods, preserves, crafts, plants and fresh garden produce. Why not bring the children during the holidays to try our home made refreshments.

We are now holding a regular market on Saturday mornings in

the new Scout HQ at Kesgrave from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. You may find it easier to come and visit us there if you are at work during the week. Refreshments are also available at Kesgrave.

Orders can be placed at either venue or via the website -

[www.marketonthegreen.org](http://www.marketonthegreen.org)

### **THREE BEARS PLAYGROUP**

We hope that all of our Playgroup children and their families are enjoying their Summer holiday break and look forward to seeing them again in September. We would like to wish good luck to those children who left us at the end of the Summer Term as they move on to Nursery or School; we very much hope that they enjoyed their time with us.

If you wish to receive a copy of our Prospectus and Registration Form, or require further details about Three Bears Playgroup, please contact Elizabeth Leonard (Vice-Chair) on Ipswich 635944.

### **ST MICHAEL'S PRE-SCHOOL**

#### **Martlesham Heath**

The Pre-School is now closed for the summer and we return on Monday 6th September. Our half term break is from Monday 25th - Friday 29th October.

If you are interested in sending your child to our pre-school and would like more information, please contact the pre-school on the following mobile number - 07712 506123.

Rachael Vest

### **GORSELAND SCHOOL PARENTS' AND FRIENDS' ASSOCIATION**

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported our Summer Fair and helped to raise a massive £1700. Everyone had an enjoyable day and the rain stayed away. Well done to all who entered our first Gorseland Fame Academy and especially to Jack Raymond who impressed the judges the most.

Future events for your diary...

\* September 29th - Family Disco

\* October (date to be confirmed) - Murder Mystery evening

\* November 6th - Kesgrave

Firework Event.

Details to follow.

Helen Theobald

### **MARTLESHAM MOTHERS' UNION**

Can you imagine a coach load of adults (including 3 clergymen) all waving to a field of retired cart-horses and then shouting "Hello Fairy!" as the coach went over a white painted bridge? I can assure you it really happened - I was one of them! The horses had spent their working lives drawing trams along the promenade in Douglas, Isle of Man, and the fairy was said to live under the bridge, bringing good fortune to those who so addressed her.

A group from Martlesham, together with MU members from all over our diocese, were on the Isle of Man in order to attend the AGM of the Mothers' Union in this International Year Of The Family. We attended an inspiring Church Service on Tuesday evening addressed by the Bishop of Sodor and Man and on Wednesday spent the day in the Villa Marina on the sea front at Douglas. The main theme of the conference was 'Building Relationships'. In the afternoon we were addressed by Arch-deacon Taimalelagi Tuatagaloa-Matalavea, the Anglican Observer at the United Nations.

Our annual Garden Party on July 7th was blown into St. Michael's but a good time was had by all. Many thanks to Sheila Woods who organised the food, and Monica who provided the 'intellectual' stimulation!

Please remember Olive Smith, who is far from well, also Betty Dickinson, Lillian French, Nesta, Ena, Doreen, and Peg in your prayers, together with any others you feel need our support.

A thought for the month:- while we were praying for sunshine on the I.O.M., the Manx Farmers had already prayed for rain for their crops - we had one day of sunshine, one of rain and three days with a bit of both!

GOD BLESS, SHEILA SMITH

### **MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB**

At our AGM on the 24th June our Chairman had pleasure in presenting a cheque for £756 to Michelle Gray, the Fund Raising Manager for C.L..I.C. (Cancer & Leukaemia in Childhood) which had been our charity for the past fiscal year. Michelle bought us up-to-date with the benefits and aims of this very worthwhile charity and thanked us all for our great support and fund raising efforts of the past year.

Our retiring chairman, Vera Pawsey, thanked the committee for all their hard work during the past year and for supporting her so ably. A new committee was duly elected with Sheila Swanwick being our Chairman for the coming year; we wish her success in her new role.

Nominations and votes were taken for our new charity, and we are happy to report that we will do our fund raising best for 'Rochford House' in Woodbridge, a drop-in centre for 12-25 year olds.

Mandy Clark has arranged our Summer Dinner for July 15th at Seckford Golf Club. Members anticipate a good evening after having had a successful Christmas Dinner there earlier this year.

Once club business was concluded members enjoyed a finger buffet supplied by the out-going committee. The usual raffle was held after which members departed for the summer recess. September meetings will be held on the 2nd, 16th and 30th in the Richards Rooms, at the usual time of 7:30 pm.

Rita Smith

### **BRIAN, THE CO-OP MILKMAN**

Brian will be retiring this October after delivering milk to the "new village" since the first house was occupied.

Thank you to the thirty plus people who responded to my recent message in the "Monthly".

At a meeting earlier this month it was agreed to hold the SURPRISE celebration on

**Sunday 17th October in St Michael's Church Centre - 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm**

All houses on the Heath will receive a slip at the beginning of September for you to return if you wish to attend and/or contribute to a farewell collection.

We hope that as many as possible of Brian's customers (past and present) will wish to join Brian and his family at this village event. Elaine Everitt - 01473 622269 [elaine.everitt@btinternet.com](mailto:elaine.everitt@btinternet.com)

### **MARTLESHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Our next meeting will be held in St Michael's Church Centre at 8 pm on Tuesday August 10th and will consist of an illustrated talk, "A Brief History of Antique Pewter", which includes a piece of history very close to home. The programme will be presented by myself. Admission is £1 and all are welcome.

With effect from the October meeting we are changing the venue to The Pavilion on the Green and the meetings will be on the **third Monday** in the month.

John Tyler- Tel. 01473 612736

### **MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY**

Our monthly meeting on Friday July 2nd had been billed as a talk about the R101 Airship and its Suffolk connection. Unfortunately the wife of the presenter had been taken ill suddenly and he was therefore unable to be present. We apologise to all those who were expecting this talk. Hopefully it will be given at a new date to be announced.

However, one of our own members, Mr Jork Andrews, was able to give a very professional illustrated talk about the military history of Orfordness. That 10 mile long inhospitable strip of land lies barely above sea level and is now owned by the National Trust. The military authorities were slowly grasping the importance of aeroplanes in wartime and many early experiments were carried out at Orfordness. It was also the site of various aviation experiments over the years. Jork Andrews reminded the audience that the National Trust arrange visits to the island in the summer.

After the tea break our Mu-

seum Archivist, Alan Smith, gave an illustrated talk which he called "The Konigsberg Affair".

A German cruiser was patrolling the Pacific ocean in the vicinity of the east African coast at the outbreak of the Great War and the Royal Navy took from August 1914 to June 1915 before they finally destroyed it. Alan gave a fascinating account of how it was eventually achieved.

Gordon Kinsey gave a vote of thanks to both our speakers who had stepped in at the last moment.

Our August meeting is traditionally a summer evening visit and we shall be visiting the Cotton Mechanical Museum at Cotton, followed by some refreshments at a local pub. A few tickets may still be available and non-members are welcome to join us!

Alan Powell 01473 622458

**St Elizabeth Hospice  
15th Anniversary Year  
GARDEN TEA PARTY**  
Mill Farmhouse, Felixstowe Road,  
Martlesham

**SATURDAY 21ST AUGUST 2004  
2PM—5PM**

**Cake stall, Bring and Buy and a  
raffle**  
**Afternoon teas—dogs on leads  
please**  
**Disabled access—Toilet facilities  
ENTRANCE £3—CHILDREN FREE  
(Includes tea and biscuits)**

### **MARTLESHAM ART GROUP**

Martlesham Art Group would like to thank everyone who visited our annual Summer Exhibition and Sale in St Michael's Church Extension, during the course of Music on the Green. The surge of visitors towards the end of the day encouraged us to stay open for an extra hour! A total of 17 framed and unframed works was sold, and we were pleased to be able to donate 20% of sales to Church Funds, a sum of £77. Our raffle, with prizes kindly donated by Group members, was also well supported, and we managed to raise £42 for **Heart-beat** in memory of our friend Dick Wilkins.

Thanking you,  
Andrea Jones

### **PORTAL AVENUE WOODLANDS MANAGEMENT/ CONSERVATION GROUP**

The good news is that all recent school visits and the Beavers visit to the woodland have been judged by their teachers, organisers and youngsters as successful. We must thank Guy Ackers from Suffolk Wildlife Trust for providing the expertise and equipment for the mini beast hunts for two Year 5 classes and all volunteers for their time. Hopefully the involvement of youngsters and Mums in these activities may encourage some to join in our workdays, but if not, at least make people enjoy the woodland and not abuse or litter it. A sour note to this good news is that one Scots Pine planted by the children has been attacked. It was uprooted, the main branch and two side branches broken, but the four poles and chicken wire of the deer/rabbit protection were neatly folded and set aside as if to ensure it was not a danger to any in the woodland. Our disaffected adult again?

The glow worm survey on 3rd July was successful and enjoyed by those who attended. We found 60 female glow worms (an increase of 17 from 2003) but no males. It was windy and there was the threat of rain so the males could have been feeling lazy! The findings have been reported and we will repeat the survey annually.

August is a holiday, so the next month's workday is Sunday 18th September meeting at 10 o'clock at the Force HQ Sports field gate and all are welcome.

Contacts: Chairman – Duncan Sweeting 01473 622859,  
Secretary – Peter Izzard 01473 611291, Martlesham Parish Council 01473 612632

### **NATIONAL OSTEOPOROSIS SOCIETY**

#### **Local Group**

Our next important meeting will be the Annual General Meeting to

which we welcome not only members of NOS but anyone interested in osteoporosis and other bone diseases. The usual business of an AGM will only be part of the meeting. We shall also be enjoying what promises to be an extremely interesting talk by our guest speaker Sue Lawrence on "OSTEOPOROSIS - THE PHARMACISTS' PERSPECTIVE".

The Meeting will be held on September 15th from 5:00 pm to 7:00pm at the Martlesham Pavilion (next door to St Michael's Church), Martlesham Heath.

Do come!

### **ARTHRITIS RESEARCH CAMPAIGN**

I would like to thank the people of Martlesham and Martlesham Heath who donated £267.48 to the recent House-to-House Collection which raised a Grand Total of £1391.96 for the above Charity.

Ian Craig, Woodbridge ARC

### **DAIRY FARM, BRIGHTWELL OPEN GARDEN MONDAY 30TH AUGUST, NOON 'TIL 4 PM**

**In aid of the BARNABUS TRUST  
Refreshments, plant and other  
stalls  
Admission £2 for adults, under  
16s free**

### **HOME-START SUFFOLK COASTAL**

Having someone to talk to and to help with the children can be a lifeline for families when they're coping with stress and pressure. A weekly visit for a few hours from a Home-Start volunteer may not sound very much but families say it makes a real difference having someone to listen, to help entertain the children or to give mum or dad a bit of a break. Many local families have used Home-Start in the four years it has been running and the demand for volunteers is as pressing as ever. So, once again, Home-Start Suffolk Coastal is on the look-out for warm, caring and reliable men and women who would like to give a morning or

afternoon a week to another family. The next course for volunteers starts in September and anyone interested in putting their parenting experience to worthwhile use is invited to contact Home-Start Suffolk Coastal for more information. Phone 01394 389402.

### **CHARITY OPEN GARDEN & POTTERY**

**SUNDAY 29TH AUGUST**  
**10:30 am to 5:00 pm—£2 entry**  
**29 LARK RISE, MARTLESHAM**  
**HEATH (we front on to the Green)**

A small garden with large fishpond, greenhouse, water feature, pots galore, no grass. A plantswoman's garden.

Simple pottery activities for children and adults with an option to fire the results.

Refreshments (under cover). Handmade crafts. Homemade cakes. New books at knockdown prices. Plants for sale.

In February 2005 John and I will be trekking in the Himalayas (we're 63 and 66) to raise money for East Suffolk Mind, a charity based in Ipswich which looks after people with mental health problems. The trekking company is also non-profit making and they support schools in Nepal.

We have £5000 to raise between us - a daunting task. If you can help in any way we would be most appreciative. John and Maureen Read - tel: 01473-624897

Coming your way, a chance to let your hair down. Be ready for a Music Quiz with a difference. Thursday 9th September in St Michaels. Start getting your team together - tables of 6. No singing. More details next month.

### **2ND MARTLESHAM HEATH GUIDES**

Another busy year has passed by, we have welcomed 13 new girls to our Unit since September and in April we moved venue to the Scout Hut. There were many highlights throughout the year, some of which included the covering of our Deaf Awareness, World Traveller and First Aid badges, holding our usual Unit birthday party and attending our District Thinking Day service. The girls also planned and put on a Blue

Peter Bring & Buy Sale on the 6th July. Thank you to all those who attended. The grand sum of £165.66 was raised, which will go to provide one to one support workers within youth organisations, across the country, for those children with special needs.

Although we are the largest youth organisation for young women in this country, we are still extremely short of Leaders to help run Units so all those girls that want to join a local Guide Unit can. If you think you can spare a few hours a week and would relish the challenge of supporting and running activities for a Guide Unit, then please contact me on the number below.

Thank you to my three Assistants and two Young Leaders, without whom I would be unable to run our Unit, and thanks to Jane who has been suggesting some new avenues to follow. Thank you also to Martlesham Scouts for allowing us the regular use of their hut. Finally, a good luck message to the six Guides who are leaving us - **y o u r n e w j o u r n e y s** be successful, rewarding and fun.

Jo Dixon 01473 622160

### **MARTLESHAM BOWLS CLUB**

Last month was not a good month for the club. So many games had to be cancelled for lack of support by both our club and the opponents.

In the last few weeks three members have joined us - Mr and Mrs Hollingsworth and Mr Aldis. They will receive a warm welcome.

The Wednesday Pairs Tournament has been well supported as usual by members and visitors alike. On the last occasion I overheard two of the visitors discussing the refreshment spread in a most complementary manner. This reflects great credit on Susan and Audrey as well as their minions who help in the kitchen. Well done girls.

Talking of, or should it be writing of, a good spread, do not forget the club dinner and presentation evening. This will be held on **Saturday 7th October. Full details are on the notice board in the pavilion.**

On Saturday 14th there is

the Rous Trophy to be played for. Then on Saturday 28th it is the Cyril Marsh Shield. These matches are in memory of two members who worked very hard for the club.

The last club competition of the year is the Lads and Lasses. This is a light-hearted game. Sometimes we are short of lasses and men have to have a sex change, just for the game! Very soon after the match the green will close for the season.

Linda Brown, our secretary, can be reached on 01394 384698.

Jack Cot

### **MARTLESHAM CARPET BOWLS CLUB**

Already we are halfway through the summer league fixtures.

Following a defeat of 3-7 away at Claydon, it was pleasing to have a home win of 7-3 against our friendly rivals, Old Felixstowe. No doubt we can look forward to a return match on 21st July.

A warm welcome is extended to Martyn, Shirley and Alec on joining our club recently.

Chris Chamberlain

### **CEILIDH BARN DANCE**

at **St. Michaels Church Centre**  
on **Saturday September 25th**  
**4 pm until 7:30 pm**

in aid of **The Barnabas Trust.**  
Tickets—**adults £5, children 6-16**  
**£3, children 5 and under FREE.**  
Price includes Ploughman's supper, sweet, etc. Bring your own drinks.

The music will be provided by the Band - '**Clutching at Straws**'.

This will be a Family event in support of a very worthwhile cause. Tickets available from St. Michaels and the Post Office at the Black Tiles.

Contact tel. nos. **01473 625320** and **01394 383410** for more information.

### **[www.martlesham.org.uk](http://www.martlesham.org.uk)**

The Martlesham Community web portal has been running for one year - and by any measure I hope people will agree that it has been a successful start. There are many useful features that you will now find by logging onto the site.

In addition, the site hosts the on-line version of the Martlesham Monthly (often available before it is delivered to your door!) and, uniquely amongst websites of its class, the talking version of the magazine – which can be listened to while you get on with other jobs.

However, we are not prepared to stop there as we have a number of development and expansion plans which require time and commitment from our volunteers to complete.

Therefore I am indebted to the volunteers who give their time so freely to help with this on-going and live project. Rachel and Tim Pennick tirelessly provide the updates to the calendar and prepare the talking Martlesham Monthly for down-loading; Dave Green keeps the Scout Group and MCC sections up to date; while Linda Mitchell tends to the MVPA pages. Jo and Johnny Dixon look after the Guides, Rangers and First Response pages, and PC Ian Rafferty looks after the Community Policing area.

If you would like to contribute to the development of the web portal, or you would like to see your favourite society or interest represented in some way, then please don't hesitate to get in touch. Technical know-how is NOT required, but enthusiasm for the local area and for giving some of your time to the community is a must!

Equally if any local businesses or services wish to advertise on the site's directory please contact me via one of the routes below: Phone: **01473 610073**  
e-mail: [webmaster@martlesham.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@martlesham.org.uk)  
website: [www.martlesham.org.uk](http://www.martlesham.org.uk)

We are looking forward to a successful second year, and your ideas and suggestions are vital to achieving this.

Malcolm Bell

### **SUFFOLK CONSTABULARY**

The last few months have seen an increase in the overall number of recorded crimes that have been reported. I am concerned at the level of increase (about 60%) but due to the low level of reported crime it doesn't take too much to make the

figures appear alarming! There are some factors which may have contributed to this; firstly Euro 2004 and secondly incidents surrounding large gatherings in open space and play areas. A direct link can be drawn to the consumption of alcohol and anti-social behaviour in general.

The numbers of calls that are being received by the police concerning anti-social and nuisance behaviour are increasing. The main areas that are being affected are the Green and the play area near to the Control Tower, and the main routes between these areas. The majority of calls relate to young people and the amounts of empty bottles/cans that are being left behind. Police have responded to these calls and I am aware of the problems that are occurring and together with other agencies am trying to solve the problems and address the needs of both local residents and the young people that are gathering within the parish. Unfortunately this is not something that will happen overnight and will take some time. However, in the meantime the police will respond to all the calls that they receive and deal with the problems that they encounter. I would also encourage residents, especially with the school holidays fast approaching, to continue contacting the police to report these instances of anti-social behaviour and any other criminal offences, e.g. criminal damage, AT THE TIME that they are witnessed. This gives my colleagues and myself the best chance of identifying and dealing with those responsible.

The holiday season is now upon us and many of you will be departing for your summer breaks. As stated earlier you are fortunate to live in an area with a low level of crime, and by taking a number of small, simple steps you are able to safeguard yourself and your property further. Several of the recorded crimes in the last few weeks could easily have been prevented. These include several instances of pedal cycles being stolen having been left unlocked outside premises and cars being entered and items stolen that were on view. Remove the opportunity and prevent the crime! These include informing neighbours that you are away, making sure it appears you are still

at home by using lights on timers, check all your locks are in working order and remove any valuables from view. I can supply you with leaflets detailing these simple steps and on request I can supply you with an ultra-violet pen for marking your property.

Finally, if you see a crime being committed or immediate police assistance is needed then dial '999'.

Please check the first page of the Monthly to find the ways in which I can be contacted. It does not include my mobile number, on which I can be called directly 07796-656-6814.

PC 387 Ian Rafferty - Martlesham CPO

### **LEISURE LEARNING**

#### **Indian Head Massage & Meditation**

Take time out for yourself and learn a new skill - enrol on one (or both) of the following courses:

##### **Indian Head Massage**

Learn simple techniques to use on family and friends to help them reach a deep state of relaxation. No oils used and no need to remove any clothes!!

**Venue** - Dumbarton Hall, Humber Doucy Lane, Ipswich

**Time** - 9:30 am – 11:30 am

**Venue** – Suffolk College, Rope Walk, Ipswich

**Time** – 7 pm – 9 pm

**Date** - Next course for both the above commence Thursday 16th September

##### **Meditation**

Learn a simple method of meditation which, when used on a daily basis, can help you feel less stressed, more confident, less tired and you could find that your work performance and general health has improved.

**Venue** – Dumbarton Hall, Humber Doucy Lane, Ipswich

**Time** – 12 noon – 1:30 pm

**Date** – Thursday 16th September for 5 weeks

**Venue** – Suffolk College, Rope Walk, Ipswich

**Time** – 7 pm – 8:30 pm

**Date** – Monday 13th September for 8 weeks

**Alternatively maybe two Saturday mornings would suit you better**

**Date** – 11th & 18th September

**Venue** – Woodbridge Community



Centre

Time – 10 am – 1 pm

For more information, please phone Susan Denny on 01473 622974 or e-mail [susandenny@ic24.net](mailto:susandenny@ic24.net)

## VILLAGE VIEWS

**The chance for you to write in and have your say...**

### RE-CYCLING FIASCO

To say we were disappointed when the re-cycling bins were removed is an understatement, and to have them removed so quickly after a single resident's complaint and a few days before the 'Music on the Green' event was nothing short of criminal. We placed hundreds of bottles and cans into two 'landfill bound' skips during that event and now find dozens per day placed in the litter bins in the Square, (alongside dog excrement bags) which shouldn't be there either.

A once proud Village which earned revenue from its re-cycling units for its youngsters is now a sad, backward looking place, held to ransom by one selfish individual. The lunatics are now running the asylum.

John & Jo Goodluck, Village litter-pickers.

### MARTLESHAM 'MUSIC ON THE GREEN'

I just felt I had to write and say that my sister and myself and family enjoyed a wonderful day on Saturday 10th July on the green. How lovely to see so many different people of all ages coming together and enjoying themselves. There was such a variety of things to see and do. A big thank you must go to all the organisers, etc. who arranged everything so well, and gave up so much of their own time so that people could enjoy themselves. We can't wait until the next one.

S. D. Watling and C. A. West

### LANCASTER ROAD ELECTRICAL SUB STATION

I think you will agree that the sub station off Eagle Way is an archi-

tectural feature standing proud on the Green by Lancaster Road.

Over the years, the guttering and roof tiles have been damaged causing staining to the brick walls and generally looking the worse for wear.

I am pleased to report a few telephone calls to EDS Energy and their Civil Engineers, Freedom Maintenance in Bexley Heath, have restored the sub station back to its former splendour. My request to restore the sub station received attentive co-operation from both EDS Energy and Freedom Maintenance, for which I have thanked them.

Likewise, telephone calls to Suffolk County Council in Saxmundham, informing them that the lighting columns required a coat of paint, could have only helped to achieve the result last year.

I believe this illustrates that even if you do not have the time to sit on committees but take the time to phone the companies or authorities concerned, this will help preserve the thought and energy that went into the development of Martlesham Heath.

D.W.A. Embery

### KESGRAVE AND DISTRICT YOUTH FORUM

The forum is hosting a barbeque for young people on AUGUST 25th, from 2 pm to 6 pm at The Youth Centre, Kesgrave High School. Entrance is free.

We are keen to have more input from young people on what events and activities are wanted in the area.

So, why not come along, have some fun, and help shape the future for young people in our area?

Our next meeting is being held on September 15th at 7:30 pm at Kesgrave Town Council offices. Everyone welcome.

If you would like any more information on Youth Forum projects please contact Joyce Beale on 01394 387496 or e-mail [joyce@bealej.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:joyce@bealej.fsnet.co.uk).

Happy holidays!

### 'FRICTION' SKATEPARK ASSOCIATION

We are currently working with Kesgrave and District Youth Forum to find a site in the area for this facility. We are considering several sites at present, but still have a lot of work to do to see if any are suitable.

We have had a boost to funds following a sponsored leg waxing, organised by Sarah, Lorry, Ollie, Natasha and Megan, Hollie, Peter, Kyle, Josh and Tom. Many thanks to you all for the pain and hard work, and to all those who sponsored this event. A staggering £208.53 was raised - and the boys had lovely legs for a week!

If you would like any more information about our club please contact Max on 01473 610440, mailto: [woldywonder@hotmail.com](mailto:woldywonder@hotmail.com)

### KESGRAVE TENNIS CLUB

Established 1947

[www.kesgrave.org.uk/tennisclub](http://www.kesgrave.org.uk/tennisclub)

Encouraging tennis at all levels - adults, beginners, children, improvers and wheelchair.

Anyone wishing to join the Tennis Club please phone Sally Bovey on 01473 253287 or come along to club night on Wednesday at 7:10 pm and collect an application form. Anyone who hasn't re-joined, we do urgently need your key back please.

#### Ratings Tournament

Fine weather greeted the players for the finals of the 2004 Kesgrave Open Tennis tournament. The trophies were presented by Tom Crow, Chairman of the Kesgrave Tennis Club. Julie and Steve Pilcher were thanked for organising the tournament and refreshments.

#### Results

**Men's Singles Section B Plate**

J Royle bt R Gadsby 6-4 6-3

**Men's Singles Section B**

J Suckling bt S Barbrook 6-0 6-1

**Men's Singles Section A**

R Valentine bt J Smart 6-3 6-2

**Ladies' Doubles**

A Brown and D Stebbings bt E Chesterfield and A Vinyard 6-3 6-2

**Men's Doubles Section B**

T Crow and P Mickelson bt G Cowey and J Foster 6-1 6-0

**Men's Double Section A** (round robin)

Winners - S Pilcher and R Valentine  
Runners-up - T Crow and P Mickelsen

**Mixed Doubles** (round robin)  
Winners - S Pilcher and A Brown  
Runners-up - D Stebbings and P Mickelsen

**Ladies' Tableau**

C Sansom bt S Wisdom 7-6(4) 6-7 (3) (10-7)

**Men's Singles Tableau** (round robin)

Winner - J Ambler

Runner-up - R Valentine

We have a busy coaching programme in place again this summer.

Please phone Dick McDonald for more details and to book your place on 01394 384791.

Debbie Stebbings  
01473 626919

**DEBEN PROBUS CLUB**

**Woodbridge**

At the monthly meeting of Deben Probus Club, and following an excellent lunch, members were privileged to have as the guest speaker the Rev. John Waller from Waldringfield. John gave a witty and entertaining talk on some of the memorable aspects of the life of a 'Village Vicar', but also touched on the more serious aspects of village life and the changes which have taken place over the years. Following a vote of thanks, John was given a standing ovation. Further talks arranged for the autumn meetings include Customs and Excise, London's 'Thief Row' and The Rise and Fall of Japanese Sea Power. There will also be a visit to RAF Lakenheath in September, circumstances permitting.

The club meets monthly on the third Monday in each month at Ufford Park Hotel for luncheon followed by a speaker on a topic of interest. In addition a number of visits, mainly to local venues, are arranged during the summer months as also are a number of short walks, both of which are open to members' wives and family. New members are always welcome and anyone interested in joining should contact either the Chairman, Mr D

Tucker on 01394 385011, or the Secretary, Mr W Gormer on 01473 252294.

**MARTLESHAM CHRISTIAN**

**FELLOWSHIP**

**Black Tiles Lane**

Recently we travelled for three weeks in Malawi. The country is very beautiful but there is widespread poverty and many people live in houses we would not consider suitable for a garden shed.

Nevertheless there is often a peace and a joy in their faces, which we do not see in our frenetic and stressed out society.

Perhaps our priorities and sense of values have somehow gone haywire, to our detriment. We also visited the graves of a group of Scottish missionaries, who came to Malawi a hundred years ago to bring the Gospel and health and education to an area alongside Lake Malawi. They were unaware of the causes of Malaria and whole families died in a very short time. The graves were an eloquent testimony to the sacrifices they made.

I was greatly challenged. Am I willing to put the needs of others before my own selfish interests? Do I really believe the words of Jesus when He said, "It is better to give than to receive"?

John Mellen

**FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES IN AUGUST**

Most activities close down for the holiday period but our main FAMILY SERVICE continues on Sunday mornings at 10:30 am (with Communion within the service).

Elsewhere in the Monthly there are details of a "HOLIDAY CLUB" for primary age children. This is another combined event between the Christian Fellowship and St Michael's, and will be held at the Church.

The dates are 9th to 13th August (except Wednesday), from 10 am to 12 each morning.

For further information contact: Julia Faulkner 01473 625482 or John Mellen 01473 624401.

**FELIXSTOWE SPEAKERS CLUB**

Our Club is a social group which meets on alternate Thursdays with the express purpose of learning how to speak effectively to others. We use a handbook which, in ten assignments, will take you through the most important aspects of speech making and ending with a 'Masterpiece' presentation. Contact Ken on 01394 213146 for further details.

**THOUGHTS FROM YOUR**

**PARISH CHURCH**

I write this short article as a newcomer in your midst. My title at the moment is; 'Priest in charge' of the benefice (more than one parish linked together) of Martlesham with Brightwell. My wife, four children and I moved from Ipswich into Martlesham Heath last month.

I have noticed already that life here is very different from life in Ipswich. There is a feeling of community in Martlesham and Brightwell that is not found in Ipswich. I was very impressed with the Village day, and the music event that was part of the whole day. As a covert outsider, slipping through the crowds with my chameleon suit consisting of jeans and a T-shirt, I witnessed a sight you don't see in Ipswich. I saw people stopping every few yards, recognising a friend and stopping to talk to them.

This spontaneous wave of greetings was not the explosion of a shouted HELLO that you greet a friend you have not seen in over a year. It was the more gentle and familiar mutual recognition of friends who saw each other only yesterday or only last week at the outside. This is why it is so good that the three Anglican churches in this benefice; St. Mary's, St. Michaels, (Martlesham) and St. John's (Brightwell) are places of community and friendship. In having this attitude, Christians are mirroring the God we worship. He is a God who values everyone in the community, a God who wants to make you welcome, who wants to greet you, and wants to make that greeting a familiar yet exciting part of your life.

Revd. Ian Naylor

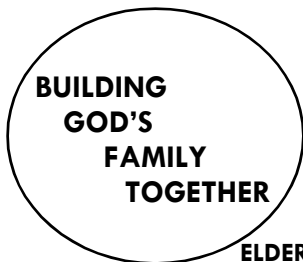
**MARTLESHAM CHURCHES**  
**CHRISTIAN HOLIDAY CLUB**

**Holiday Club for children aged 5-12  
years**

- . Quizzes**
- . Artwork**
- . Music**
- . Singing**
- . Bible Stories**

**At St Michael's Church,  
Martlesham Heath**

***Mon 9th Aug 10 am - 12 noon***  
***Tues 10th Aug 10 am - 12 noon***  
***Thurs 12th Aug 10 am - 12 noon***  
***Fri 13th Aug 10 am - 12 noon***



**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.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:lcsc@isitme.freeserve.co.uk)  
**CLERGY:** The Revd. Elizabeth Corker, 12 Fairfield Avenue, Felixstowe, Tel: 01394 210793  
 The Revd. Heather Cooke, 9 Swan Close, Martlesham Heath, Tel: 623770  
**READERS:** Carolyn Smith, 74 Heathfield, Martlesham Heath, Tel: 01473 625630  
 Lewis Currie, 18 Parkers Place, Martlesham Heath, Tel: 01473 625320  
**ELDERS:** Ann Little, 60 Deben Avenue Tel: 01473 624002; Margaret Rollins, 9 Angela Close, Tel: 01473 623868; Monica Twaits, 39 Angela Close, Tel: 01473 623194

Services for the Month	Brightwell St. John's	Martlesham St. Mary's	Martlesham Heath St. Michael's
Sunday 1st August Trinity 8	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion BCP	9:45am All Age Worship
Sunday 8th August Trinity 9	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion
Sunday 15th August Trinity 10 Blessed Virgin Mary	8am Holy Communion	11am Family Holy Communion	9:45am Worship
Sunday 22nd August Trinity 11	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion
Sunday 29th August Trinity 12	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion
Sunday 5th September Trinity 13	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion BCP	9:45am All Age Worship and Baptism

MIDWEEK SERVICES: Holy Communion each Wednesday at 10am in St Michael's Church Centre.

**PRAYER DIARY FOR AUGUST**

Pray daily for world peace, for the church, our parishes and:

- 7 for our armed forces serving in Iraq
- 8 that we may put Jesus first in our lives
- 9 Mary Sumner Day: give thanks for the Mothers' Union
- 10 for the Children's Holiday Club this week
- 11 St. Clare: for women training for ministry
- 12 for the residents of Squire Lane
- 13 for the people of the Sudan
- 14 for all who travel today
- 15 for perseverance in our journey of faith
- 16 give thanks and pray for all who work in the Square
- 17 for young people awaiting exam results
- 18 for the residents of Stable Court
- 19 for Martlesham Flower Club Garden Party
- 20 give thanks and pray for our doctors and nurses
- 21 for child minders
- 22 give thanks for the healing ministry of the Church
- 23 for those living far from home
- 24 St. Bartholomew: give thanks that Jesus calls us to follow him
- 25 for the residents of Swan Close
- 26 for the people of NE Uganda
- 27 St. Monica: that we may pray faithfully for our children
- 28 give thanks for the beauty of the countryside
- 29 that we may be generous in hospitality
- 30 for those who feel lonely on Bank Holiday
- 31 for Martlesham Parish Council
- SEPT 1** for the residents of The Chase
- 2 for the Quiet Day for MU Prayer Chain members
- 3 for those beginning new work this month, and for those who have no work
- 4 for those who feel anxious about their health
- 5 that we may follow Jesus sacrificially
- 6 give thanks for our schools, and pray for teachers