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Roy Berridge 01473 611624

MUSIC ON THE GREEN

Summer's just around the corner and with summer comes....
"Music on the Green"

Yes!! Be sure to be on The Green on 10th 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.

Don't forget to book your pitch to raise funds for your

organisation - 'phone David on 01473 610741.

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.

We have nearly completed the line up of bands for this year. They will include The Angel Players, Martlesham Brass, Insomnia, Blue-Wave Band, Karki Parker, Dyslexic 7, Out of Proportion, The Harry Walton Experiment, Suspect Device, Meerkats, Toni Warne's Band, Words and Music, Lightbody, Moscow Road, Back Porch Band plus many more bands will all be performing throughout the day on two stages as well as two headline acts, **UB 4T** from Birmingham and **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, Gordon Burke Transport, Private Properties, Martlesham Developments, Martlesham Body Repair, BT exact, Ryan Insurance Group, GMA Warehousing & Transport Ltd, Fraser Hann, The Property Gallery and The Martlesham Monthly. Also we are pleased to announce that The Evening Star has joined us as a sponsor.**

The committee would like to thank the sponsors on behalf of the Village, as 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 10th July, all benefiting St Elizabeth Hospice & Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Visit our web site for the latest news—www.musiconthegreen.com

Paul Firman 01473 622874

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NESS AND HOLIDAYS**

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If you can help please contact Roy Berridge on 01473 611624. Thank you.

**MARTLESHAM PARISH
COUNCIL**

New Parish Councillor

We were pleased to co-opt Mrs Larissa Hutson of Lark Rise as a new councillor at the May meeting, which brings the Parish Council back up to its full complement of fifteen councillors.

Parish Plan

A public meeting has been arranged for Monday 21st June, 7:30 pm in the Martlesham Heath Pavilion—everybody welcome. Please check notice boards for further details or contact the clerk (contact details below).

Woodman's Cottage & Columba

These are the two empty houses next to the Park and Ride site. The Director and some staff of SCC's Social Care attended our Development Plans meeting in May to explain their plans for the two houses. Woodman's Cottage (the house close to Main Road) is proposed for a children's home for up to five young people who are expected to live there for a few weeks whilst they are assessed for a more permanent arrangement; this would appear to fit in with current planning policies for this site. The other house, Columba, is proposed for a Foster Carers training centre and as such would conflict with planning

policies, as would suggestions by others for some youth facilities to be sited in this area. The County Council is considering setting up "steering groups" for both of these schemes and anybody interested should contact the clerk please. The Parish Council is very concerned that the planning policies which are intended to safeguard this area could be undermined by the Columba and youth facilities schemes and set a precedent elsewhere to the detriment of Martlesham.

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; if you are interested please contact the Clerk for further details.

Cars for sale

Several complaints have been received of cars for sale being left on verges, in entrances and elsewhere. This is very inconsiderate, possibly illegal and can be hazardous particularly when such a vehicle is left on the verge next to a junction so obscuring visibility. Furthermore it is unsightly and can damage the verge which will have to be repaired at the cost of all council tax payers! If you have a complaint about this please contact SCC's East Area Highways Manager at Saxmundham on 01728 403066.

Meetings

*Parish Council - Wednesday 2nd June and 7th July.

*Development Plans Committee - Wednesday 9th June.

*Recreation & Amenities Committee - Wednesday 16th 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 Garden Competitions

The Garden Competition forms are now available for 2004; forms are available from the Post Office Stores (Black Tiles Lane), Merchem Pharmacy (The Square) or the secretary.

Future Event

Garden Party in the afternoon of Sunday 27th June, 2:00 to 5.00 pm at Jaydene, Main Road jointly with Martlesham Community Council. Please see separate display for details.

If you would like information on the above or any Martlesham in Bloom activity please contact:-

J. Maureen Burrows (Secretary), 17 Squires Lane, Martlesham Heath. Tel. 01473 625196

***Martlesham Community Council &
Martlesham In Bloom (Registered
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Invite you to...***

A GARDEN PARTY

at "Jaydene", Main Road,
Martlesham

Sunday 27th June 2-5pm

**Games & Competitions, Cakes &
Plants, Music by Local Musicians,
Books & Raffle, Light
Refreshments
Admission Free**

Further information: Burrows Tel.
01473 625196

**MARTLESHAM CONSULTANTS
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Looking After Our Village

We are sorry to have to announce that the Chairman of MCL, John McQuin, has now resigned from the Board. Under John's Chairmanship MCL has flourished. Perhaps the most visible result of John's time on the Board has been the enormous

amount of work he has done to achieve a satisfactory lease on the Western Corridor, which we hope will be concluded in the very near future. We would all like to say a very big 'thank you John' and offer you our best wishes for the future.

As a result of our request in last month's notes for new directors, we have acquired one new volunteer. However, three of our existing directors will come to the end of their terms of office at the end of the year. In order to make the handing over of the committee work run smoothly, we really need to recruit replacements within the next month or two. We currently have eight directors but the ideal number would be twelve to fourteen; this would provide adequate numbers to serve on the committees making the task far less onerous. We also need people with new and fresh ideas. Martlesham Consultants is a company and is run as a company but if the word 'director' is a bit off putting please substitute the word 'volunteer', which is what being on the MCL Board is - like minded people wishing to do their bit to protect and care for where they live.

MCL own some buildings and also a large amount of land. If MCL became unsustainable due to lack of volunteers we should consider what would happen to the woodland and open spaces of heathland that we all hold so dear!

Finally, a short note to residents of Forest Lane. Earlier in the year we were in discussion about the copse between the houses on the south side of Forest Lane. This has proved more complicated than we realised and we have had to seek professional advice from Suffolk Coastal Landscape Architect whose report we have just received. We will be in touch with residents as soon as possible.

MARTLESHAM HEATH BABY & TODDLER GROUP

We have moved back to our usual meeting place, the newly refurbished pavilion.

The photographer is visiting us on Friday 11th June from 2-5 pm. If you would like your child (ren)'s photo taken there is a list of

times in the pavilion. Non members are welcome.

The Teddybears Picnic is taking place at the end of June. We are hoping for a lovely hot day like last year.

If you are a new mum/carer and fancy popping along, our sessions are on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:30 am—11:30 am and 1:30 pm—3:30 pm in the pavilion. Drinks and biscuits are provided.

Joanne Warren (secretary)

ST MICHAEL'S PRE-SCHOOL **Martlesham Heath**

Our theme for this term is 'opposites'. Comparisons will be made between day and night, hot and cold, fast and slow, left and right. Activities will include pairing up socks on a washing line, feet painting and junk model tortoises.

Sunday 20th 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 has entered this event in previous years and it is hoped that we can be successful again this year.

Members of the committee, staff and parents will be running a stall again this year on Village Day and as with previous years we will have plenty of games and prizes for young children to enjoy.

If you are interested in sending your child to our pre-school and would like more information, please contact Catherine Reeve on 01473 610165.

Rachel Vest

THREE BEARS PLAYGROUP **Kesgrave**

This term we are using the topic of 'Mini-beasts' to introduce the children to the six areas of learning. So far the children have enjoyed maths activities such as ordering mini-beasts and have learnt about non-standard measurements by measuring a variety of objects with worms (not real ones!).

Activities focusing on Communication, Language and Literacy have

introduced the children to initial sounds through games such as I Spy mini-beasts and mini-beast word pairs.

Activities to broaden children's knowledge and understanding of the world have included discussions of their own experiences of mini-beasts and investigating an Ant Farm.

Children have also been able to develop manipulative skills by moulding and shaping their own mini-beasts and have enjoyed creative activities such as the mini-beast dance.

We have many more fun activities planned for this term all focusing around the theme of mini-beasts and reflecting the stepping stones of the Foundation Stage Profile.

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

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who has supported our varied events so far this year. These have included a children's disco, quiz night, family swim at Felixstowe and a treasure hunt. The money raised has helped to fund the construction of a Living Willow Story Den and to buy some traditional playground toys. Both will be in use this summer.

Our next big event is our Summer Fair on **Saturday 19th June from 12 noon to 3 pm in the school grounds**. This year is a return to a more traditional fete with the usual stalls and games, pony and train rides (to be confirmed), bouncy castles, face painting and a Grand Draw. The children are busy rehearsing for their own talent contest 'Fame Academy'. So, with a licensed bar, barbecue and musical entertainment it is an event not to be missed.

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, Gorseland PFA

HEATH SCHOOL

SCHOOL REUNION

This year the school also celebrates its **50th birthday** and there are many events happening to commemorate. This includes the **School Reunion on Friday 25th June at 7:30 pm**. This event is open to those who left Heath school between 1954 and 1994. Tickets are available at the school. Anyone who would like more details can contact me on **01473 631087**.

Our **summer fete** will take place on **Saturday 12th June at 2 pm**. There will be lots of attractions including a Bar-B-Q, Punch & Judy and a bouncy castle.

Lisa Poole

CALLING ALL MUMS...

The next meeting of the Mums' Club will be held at St Michael's Church Centre from 12:45 to 2:30 pm on Tuesday 8th June. Lunch will be served at around 1:00 pm followed by a talk from Chris Canton-Raworth on 'The Life of Maria Montessori and Montessori Education'.

All mums, babies and toddlers are welcome to join us.

For more details please 'phone Sue on 01473 624130 or Kay on 01473 626169.

MARTLESHAM MOTHERS' UNION

On May 5th, a day of sunshine and showers, twenty or so members plus three husbands met Roy Tricker in Grundisburgh to be shown the treasures of St. Mary's Church.

First we were led outside to marvel at its wonderful setting on a slope facing the Village Green.

Suddenly there was a rumble of thunder, which together with heavy raindrops sent us scurrying indoors. There, we examined the octagonal font. On the north wall there is a 15th century painting of St Christopher and there are two other wall paintings dating from the 13th and 14th centuries.

We gazed upwards to admire the double hammer beam roof

of the nave, with its fifty carved angels from various periods. The focal point of the Church is the Altar with its colourful frontal and curtain made in 1962, while the oldest feature is the 13th century piscina in the south wall.

Mrs Florence Fisher thanked Mr Tricker for a most interesting afternoon and we then returned to St Michael's to indulge in tea and cakes.

The following Wednesday a dozen of us were welcomed at Kirton MU branch for our Deanery Festival Corporate Communion Service. On June 2nd we have our own Corporate Communion at St Mary's, when we hope to welcome friends from other branches. Please contact Elizabeth, Monica or me if you require a lift.

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

A thought for the month; the one person you should never deceive is yourself.

GOD BLESS, SHEILA SMITH

MARTLESHAM WIVES GROUP **Change to Programme**

Monday 21st June -

Walk at Waldringfield
Meet at the Bader Car park at 7:00pm to cycle or drive (lifts available) to the "Maybush"

Please note - "Face Reading" will now be on 12th July.

For further details contact Jenny 01473 626253.

MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB

Our speaker for our meeting on 29th April was Betty Blakesley whose talk was entitled 'Honey & Herbs'. Betty explained how her husband's hobby of bee keeping led to hers of herb growing, which has in turn led to a thriving business of Apiculture and Herbal Skincare Products. There were skincare items for sale, which interested many members. A vote of thanks from

Vera Pawsey ended a very interesting evening.

Mr Parfitt came to our meeting on 13th May to take us on a beautiful 'coloured slide trip' entitled 'A Norwegian Coastal Voyage'. Boarding a boat at Bergen, the second city of Norway, we 'travelled' to the most northerly part of Europe and The Land of the Midnight Sun, which was a round trip of 2,500 miles. The pictures were superb and Mr Parfitt's 'commentary' very knowledgeable. Doris Shute gave a vote of thanks on behalf of all members for a colourful and entertaining 'voyage'.

This year we will not be having our usual Coffee Morning, but to help swell the coffers for our Charity we will have two stalls, one for Plants and the other for Cakes and Produce at 'PRAISE IN THE PARK' on the 13th June in Elmhurst Park, Woodbridge. We look forward to your support.

We are nearing the end of meetings before our summer recess. In June we will be meeting on the 10th with the AGM on the 24th. We will reconvene on 2nd September.

Rita Smith

THE HEATH CHILDMINDING GROUP

**National Childminding Week
19th-26th June 2004**

This year we would like to invite all mums, dads, grandmas, granddads and carers to the Martlesham Heath Pavilion on Thursday 24th June 2004, 1—3 pm.

The theme this year is "Crow Up With Stories". We want to celebrate stories—our stories and those of our families, stories from other cultures and our own—to explore words and enjoy books.

Joining us will be a storyteller who will be entertaining us with his favourite books. Also there will be many crafts to keep the children amused and plenty of refreshments!

There will be a small charge of £1 per child. For further information please call Sandra on 01473 624551.

For information regarding 'Childcare' please phone me on

01473 610411 or e-mail
childminding@fiona-jackson.com.

MARTLESHAM & DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB

Mrs M Burrows from Sudbury was our demonstrator for May. The title for her demonstration was "Over the Rainbow". Her arrangements depicted all the colours of the rainbow with one representing the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. First was a beautiful green and white arrangement in and on a glass vase, with longiflorum lilies and white freesias and hosta leaves. A red and orange sunset was made from dried aspidistra leaves, orange lilies, yellow chrisanthems, and red peonies. Large wicker cups were filled with ceanothus, purple stocks, mauve freesias to represent the blue purple and indigo of the rainbow.

Mrs Mary Pratt gave a vote of thanks to Mrs Burrows for an enjoyable afternoon.

The competition for a "Crock of Gold" was won by Jean Smith, with Christine Gedney winning the Novice Class.

Our demonstrator in June will be Mrs Anne Bell from Saffron Walden. She will be demonstrating "Invitation to a Garden Party". The competition will be for an arrangement of fruit and flowers.

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. Margaret Forbes 01394 382209

www.marketonthegreen.org

Martlesham Heath W. I. Market is happy to be back trading in the newly refurbished pavilion (thank you to the Scouts for accommodating us over the winter). We will continue to open every Tuesday for all our usual home made produce from 9:00 to 10:30 am. Free range eggs are back on sale and the plant stall in particular is fall to bursting at the moment.

Other events include a regular monthly market on the last

Friday in the month at Beacon Hill School 3:00-4:00 pm. On Saturday 12th June we will be trying a new venture by running a weekly market at the new Scout Headquarters in Kesgrave. This will be a good opportunity for people who work on a Tuesday morning to come and sample our wares.

As you may have seen in the local press we now have a website where ordering online is possible. Orders can be collected from the market or delivered locally at a cost of 50p/mile. Orders over £20 are delivered free.

For full details contact us via the website:

www.marketonthegreen.org

MARTLESHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our meeting on May 11th consisted of the AGM Business Meeting, chaired by Paul Firman, and during which several new committee members were elected. It is pleasing to have some new faces to provide fresh impetus to the Society. The officers and committee members for the forthcoming year are: Chairman and Archivist - Paul Firman, Correspondence Secretary and Treasurer - John Tyler, Programme Secretary - Dora Kneebone, Committee Members are Bernard Ward, John Osborne, Elaine Everitt. Peter Bamett agreed to serve as independent examiner of the accounts. We welcomed two newcomers to Martlesham, Chris and Fiona Baker. Chris has agreed to carry out the publicity function, involving posters and press announcements.

The business meeting was followed by an illustrated talk by local historian Bob Malster who spoke of the history of Ipswich as a port and shipbuilding area. He even speculated that the "Mayflower" was built in an Ipswich yard!! It is known that that ship's home port was Harwich but many Harwich ships were built and launched in Ipswich and then towed down river to Harwich to be fitted-out. We shall never know!!

Although Ipswich has been overshadowed by Felixstowe as the major port in the area, there is still a significant amount of sea trade with the Borough, including

shipments of malt and barley to the Beck's brewery in Germany.

On Tuesday June 8th Elaine Everitt will be leading a guided walk around the Historic Waterfront in Ipswich.

Our next regular meeting will be on August 10th - more details in next month's "Monthly".

Finally, with effect from October our meetings will be held in the Pavilion and in 2005 our meetings will be held on the third Monday in the month. John Tyler Tel. 01473 612736

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

Friday May 8th and well in excess of 100 members and friends were present at the Community Hall to listen to an illustrated talk by John "Smudge" Smith. The Title of his talk was "The Blenheim Restoration Project".

Smudge has been involved with the ongoing battle to restore and fly a Bristol Blenheim WW2 bomber since a couple of wrecked examples came to light in Manitoba, Canada. They were returned to England and a small dedicated party of enthusiasts began to rebuild a Blenheim in a small workshop at the Imperial War Museum at Duxford. Inevitably the building became known as "Blenheim Palace!"

Smudge recounted stories of the various attempts to get the Blenheim up in the air again and, with the restoration team reforming recently, they expect to have the historic old aeroplane travelling the skies once again within the next two years.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, 4th June and this time one of our own members, Tony Errington, will give a talk entitled "East Coast Shipping". Non-members are more than welcome and the cost for them will be just £2, at the door. All meetings start at 7:30 pm and usually finish around 10 pm, with a coffee break half way through.

MHAS have arranged for a flypast over the village of a Hurricane and a Spitfire of the Battle of Britain Memorial flight during the

afternoon of Sunday 6th June, (anniversary of 'D' Day). Our Control Tower Museum will be open as usual between 2 pm and 4:30 pm. Alan Powell 01473 622458

PORTAL AVENUE WOODLANDS MANAGEMENT/ CONSERVATION GROUP

We replanted three oaks and planted three more along the perimeter track towards the Control Tower where the elms are dying from Elm disease. One of the replanted oaks was vandalised within two days of planting. The method of vandalism indicates an adult with a grudge and we have informed the SCDC Tree Officer and our Community Police Officer. Would be grateful if users of the Woodland report any sightings of continued vandalism.

On a more cheerful note, hopefully by the time this is published, a year 6 group from Gorseland school will have planted three Pine and three Silver Birch trees to replace trees lost, and created two more wildlife habitats. The habitats will be 1.8 metre circles, 40 cm high and are for grass snakes and slow worms.

This year's glow worm survey will take place on the 3rd July and start at 9:15 pm. We will meet at the Control Tower and have a leisurely walk down to the Tesco A12 underpass listening for bats, and then reverse course as it gets darker searching for glow worms. Last year we logged 43 females and two males and as a male, even in my dotage, what a lovely ratio. All are welcome, particularly children but with a parent, and you do not need to have any association with the Group to enjoy a different Saturday night!

This month's workday is Sunday 20th June, 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

MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP

On Sunday 13th 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 was very good this year, being beautifully warm and sunny. We saw but mostly heard a good number of birds, altogether a total of 25 different species. We heard at least three nightingales, two turtle doves and several different types of warbler, as well as some more common birds. There seemed to be a great abundance of wood pigeons this year too. We saw a few butterflies including orange tip, green veined white, holly blue, speckled wood and green hairstreak. We will be analysing the results and comparing them with the results from previous years. These results give us valuable information on which areas to concentrate our practical conservation efforts.

Phil Smith 01473 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 12th 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 9th May at

Foxburrow Farm—a total of £934 was raised. Many thanks to all those who came along and gave plants, bought plants or refreshments. Your support is much appreciated.

We have another wildlife walk on Friday 4th 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 01473 625630

MARTLESHAM BRASS

After a hectic contesting season, featuring a triumphant haul of silverware at the East Anglian Brass Bands Association (EABBA) Spring festival on 9th May 2004 (in which the Intermediate Band won their section), Martlesham Brass kick off the busy summer of concerts, fetes and events with their Annual Spring Concert, held for the first time this year at Kesgrave High School.

An estimated audience of some 200 people will be treated to a wide range of music from all four Martlesham Brass Bands - Beginners, Preliminaries, Intermediates and the Main band.

Starting with the Spring Concert the four bands of Martlesham Brass will be out performing at various events throughout summer, ranging from School fetes, to their own Summer fayre on 19th June, to Ipswich Music in the Park on 4th July. The summer season is always a great opportunity for Martlesham Brass to show off their playing abilities to as many people as possible all over the county. It is also a time when some extremely important revenue is brought into the band coffers!

The Spring Concert begins at 7 pm. Tickets can be bought in advance from Ian Harvey on 07779 619886. If buying tickets on the door, people are advised to arrive early so as not to be disappointed. Cost of all tickets is £2, though pre-school children will be admitted for free.

For further information on the band, or any other questions, please do not hesitate to contact

me, Matthew Ellis - Publicity Officer on 017280 688789 or at matthew.ellis@archant.co.uk

MARTLESHAM ART GROUP

Martlesham Art Group will be holding its annual Summer Exhibition and Sale on Saturday 10th July (10 am-4 pm) in St Michael's Church extension, to coincide with Music on the Green. 20% of sales will go to Church Funds. Proceeds from the raffle will be donated to **Heartbeat**, in memory of Dick Wilkins.

Andrea Jones

MARTLESHAM BOWLS CLUB

It is with deep regret that members heard of the deaths of two club members. Our first loss is George Rous, who had been our chairman and groundsman for a number of years. He also was very involved in all the jobs around the club premises. Not only will he be remembered by his friends but each year there will be a reminder of George, when the Rous Cup will be played for. The cup was presented by George and Tricia, his wife, several years ago. It gave them great pleasure to organize the competition and present the Rous Cup.

Richard Wilkins is our second loss. Richard also worked for the benefit of the club in the past. Of recent years, for health reasons, he had to cut down on his helpful activities. Richard was a great volunteer to many other organizations in and around Martlesham.

All members send their sympathy to the families of Richard and George.

Saturday May 4th was not a particularly nice day but a fair number of visitors turned up at the green to try their hand at bowls. After the game it was then on to the pavilion, to test the tea and biscuits. It hoped that both impressed our visitors and they will join us. The long range forecast is that it will be fine on Wednesday June 16th. The committee has decided to have another Open Day for the benefit of visitors who prefer to try their hand in hot sun. See our advert for full details

Linda Brown our secretary will answer your questions. Phone

01394 384698.

Jack Cot

MARTLESHAM BOWLS CLUB
Recreation ground,
Old Martlesham (entrance beside
Spencers garage)
**WE ARE LOOKING TO INCREASE
OUR MEMBERSHIP AND ARE
HOLDING AN OPEN AFTERNOON
ON WEDNESDAY 16TH FROM
2:30—4:30 PM**
Whether you have played before
or not, you will be most welcome.
The game is for all ages so you can
join as a family.
**SO COME ALONG AND FIND OUT
MORE ABOUT YOUR LOCAL
BOWLS CLUB AND HAVE A GO
FOR YOURSELVES.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT LINDA BROWN
ON TEL. NO. 01394 384698**

MARTLESHAM TABLE TENNIS

Are you someone who has dabbled with table tennis in the past? If so, and most people have, we have just the Club for you. Martlesham Table Tennis Club gives you the chance to play friendly games that are not too competitive.

The sessions are open to any non league players over the age of 16, or age 11+ if accompanied by an adult. Club night is every Friday from 7:45 to 10 pm, currently in the Pavilion .

If you are interested, contact Steve on 01473 610177.

KESGRAVE TENNIS CLUB

Play Tennis Day was held on Saturday 8th May. We ran short tennis sessions down at the Kesgrave High School from 10 am to 12 noon which was great fun, with some very good standards of tennis from the children who we hope to see again on court.

Then from 1 pm to nearly 4:30 pm we had more tennis and fun at the Kesgrave Tennis courts, rounding up with some wheelchair tennis. Many thanks to all the children who took part. We hope to see you all again soon. Many thanks to all who helped and to Dick for organising the day. Also to the parents who

patiently waited around for their children who didn't want to stop playing.

Debbie Stebbings 01473 626919

MARTLESHAM YOUTH CLUB

Does your child enjoy playing football?

Martlesham Youth Football Club are looking to recruit players for their Under 10 team for the 2004/05 season playing in the Felixstowe & District Junior League.

If your child will be in school year 5 from September and would like to play football for a local team, please contact the manager David Ward on 01473 623960. Training will be on Tuesday evenings, 6:30 pm 'til 7:45 pm on the Green, Martlesham Heath, starting on Tuesday 25th May.

To find out more about the club, visit our website on www.martleshamyouth.co.uk

BEACON HILL POOL

Learn to swim in our very own community pool in **Martlesham**.

Open to **all community groups**. Beacon Hill pool offers.....

- An excellent teaching pool with learning equipment available
- A comfortable indoor swimming experience all the year round
- Life guards available if required
- Excellent rates
- All profits go towards School funds

Please call our Pool Manager, Ian Cotton, (01473 635105) for details.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Jean Leech and family would like to thank everyone for their support, kindness and generous donations to the Motor Neurone Society, a total of £527, in memory of Ken Leech.

GARDEN OPEN

WITH
FARM WALKS
AND VIEWS OF THE
RIVER DEBEN

CREAM TEAS,
RAFFLE, CAKE STALL, GAMES
at the home of
John and Sara Symes
Hill Farm, Waldringfield Road,
Martlesham
Saturday June 12th
2:30—5 pm
Admission free

In aid of the Barnabas Trust

THE BARNABAS TRUST

The Barnabas Trust, a Christian organisation, was established in 2001 in response to a deepening HIV/AIDS crisis in South Africa. The organisation is dedicated to the development and support of small community based groups who are caring for orphans and people infected by HIV/AIDS in the Eastern Cape province of South Africa. BT supported groups are currently nursing, training and feeding 1745 adults and children who have been orphaned or classified as "vulnerable" because their families have been profoundly affected by HIV/AIDS. The group is in urgent need of money to purchase a vehicle. Mr and Mrs Symes have agreed to open their garden to help fund this requirement.

OPEN GARDEN

Jeremy and Cynthia Walsh would like to thank everyone who came to visit their garden on Bank Holiday Monday, and who contributed so generously in various ways.

£740 was raised, to be divided between the work of the Anglican Church in the shanty towns of Lima, Peru, and the Barnabas Trust, working among people with HIV/Aids in Port Elizabeth, South Africa.

Many thanks, Jeremy

THE ORWELL SINGERS PRESENT

"A FRENCH AFFAIRE"

at 7:30 pm
on Saturday 3rd July 2004
At St Michael and All Angels
Church, Martlesham Heath

Tickets £5.00 on the door
Accompanied children 50p

CHARITY NO. 274587-R
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BOROUGH COUNCIL

KESGRAVE AND DISTRICT YOUTH FORUM

The Forum is continuing to work towards providing much needed facilities for young people in the area. A lot of work is going on behind the scenes, and we are exploring several different sites for the different facilities at present. We now have a site on which to build dirt-jumps, and although we have had several people express interest in this project, we would like to hear from anyone else who would like to take part in designing and building the jumps. If you are interested, or would like any information about other Youth Forum projects, please contact Rosy Scott on 01473 610440, mailto: rosy.scott@talk21.com or join us at the next meeting on Wednesday June 23rd, at 7:30 pm in the Conference Room of Kesgrave War Memorial Community Centre.

'FRICTION' SKATEPARK ASSOCIATION

Many thanks to all the skaters who came with us to Great Yarmouth Skatepark in April. The day went very well, and as always we were very proud of these young men. Some of our older skaters are becoming amazingly talented, and I know the younger boys will soon be joining them. But more importantly they are all, without exception, courteous, polite, tolerant, good humoured and great fun to be with.

Our young people are often viewed negatively within the community. I challenge anyone who feels this way about our young people to join us on one of our trips – you will be pleasantly surprised!!! Many thanks to Joyce Beale, from the Youth Forum, for joining us.

We are still working closely with the Kesgrave and District Youth Forum to try to find a site for a skatepark in the area. This is at present the biggest problem facing us, but we have not exhausted all the possibilities yet, so are still hopeful of finding a site. As soon as the school exams are over we will be getting together with our members to draw up a plan for the park. Anyone who is interested in this, or any aspect of our club, please contact Rosy on 01473 610440; mailto: rosy.scott@talk21.com

Until next time, have fun and skate safe...

JUST JAZZ IN KESGRAVE

For the first time in Kesgrave, live New Orleans/Traditional Jazz with La Fontaine Jazz Ensemble quintet (no modern jazz). Since the £5 tickets are limited to 150 and only available before the event, ring up your friends to invite them and make the date in your diaries right now:

17th July 2004 at the Community Centre 8:00 pm until 11:00 pm

Should you or your fellow foot tappers wish to "shake it up", "rattle your bones" or just "do your own thing" there will be room to dance. The new bar will be open for a good selection of alcoholic beverages, soft drinks and snacks.

Tickets are available from the Manager at The Community Centre Monday to Friday mornings only, or from the bar Wednesday to Saturday evenings. They are also available from The 2nd Stop Charity Shop, Penzance Road Post Office and The Bell.

**WOODBRIDGE EXCELSIOR
BAND**

Woodbridge Excelsior Band are giving a concert on **Sunday 6th June** to commemorate the **60th Anniversary of D-Day** at **Woodbridge Community Hall** at **7 pm**. **Admission is free - doors open at 6:30 pm**.

Raffle and refreshments available. Come and support your local band.

**WOODBRIDGE AND DISTRICT
FRIENDS OF ST ELIZABETH
HOSPICE**

Registered Charity No 289154

**HIDDEN GARDENS OF
WOODBRIDGE**

SUNDAY 27TH JUNE
Gardens open 2:00—5:00 pm

Tickets £5
(including cream tea)
Children free

Pay and collect map from
St Mary's House, Market Hill,
Woodbridge from 2:00 pm.

Teas served in
St Mary's House from 2:30 pm

OPEN GARDEN

**DIARY FARM,
BRIGHTWELL**

Sunday June 27th
12 noon until 5 pm

**Light lunches, cream teas, plant
stall available**

Adults entry £2, children free

**All proceeds to the Comanche
Explorer Scouts**

**BUCKLESHAM SCHOOL
SUMMER FAIR**

on Saturday June 19th,
12 noon till 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.

DEBEN PROBUS CLUB

Woodbridge

At the monthly meeting of Deben Probus Club, and following an excellent lunch, members were given an extremely interesting talk on the subject of "Britain's Secret Army". The speaker was John Warwicker, and his talk was both entertaining and full of information on a subject which has largely remained secret over the years since WW2. The Secret Army was formed in 1940, and comprised groups of civilians living in areas near to the coast where invasion was expected. These people were trained and armed to operate behind enemy lines in the event of their part of the country being overrun. The aviation museum at Parham has a section devoted to this Secret Army and further information can be obtained

there.

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 local interest. In addition a number of visits to places of interest are planned during the summer months as also are a number of short walks. 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.

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.

If you would like to make a start at being more confident at any level of speaking, be it a wedding speech, chairing a meeting or an interview situation, then please come along or phone Mike on 01473 623918 or Elaine on 01473 729867.

**MARTLESHAM CHRISTIAN
FELLOWSHIP**

Black Tiles Lane

HAPPY FAMILIES!

You can still visit homes where the following motto is displayed : "Christ is the head of this house. The unseen guest at every meal. The silent listener to every conversation"

We are often caught up with filling our homes with the latest gadgets. The most up to date models of TV, washing machines, microwaves, etc. It is often sensible to improve our homes with conservatories, extensions and loft conversions, if we have the opportunity.

But what has happened to the Bible, which used to be part of our home life? What has happened to children going to Sunday School? Where are the families going to Church together? We have lost these features, in the main.

Has our society improved by

**CONCERT
by
THE GIPPESWYK SINGERS**

Conductor: **Barry Salmon**
at

**ST MARY'S CHURCH,
MARTLESHAM
ON**

SUNDAY JUNE 20TH
At 3 pm

Admission £5

Including Afternoon Tea

In Aid of **The Barnabas Trust**

Tickets from **Margaret Cotton**
01394 387765 or **St Michael's
Church Centre**

"ditching" God?? Are our young people more balanced and disciplined, now we have abandoned God's laws?

Psalm 1 states: "Blessed is the man whose delight is in the law of the Lord...He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields fruit in its season."

I would love my children to fulfil that kind of role in their lives! To be inwardly strong and beautiful and fruitful in character.

Why not make an attempt to bring God back as a "Guest" in your home?

FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES IN JUNE

SUNDAYS

- * Family Service and Sunspot at 10:30 am
- * Communion at 6:30 pm

TUESDAY CIRCLE June 8th at 2 pm

WEDNESDAYS

- * Fun-Fit - 9:30 am
- * Ladies Bible Study - 11 am
- * House Groups - 7:45 pm

THURSDAYS

- * Toddler Group - 10:00 am
- * Youth Club - 7:00 pm

We will be holding our next Tea for Senior Citizens on Sunday June 13th. If you do not receive an invitation and would like to come please get in touch. You will be made welcome at any of these activities.

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

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 9-15TH MAY 2004

Thank you very much to everyone who filled and returned a red envelope this year, and to all the volunteers who gave so freely of their time to deliver and collect them. We are still in the middle of the mammoth task of counting all the donations received, but will let you know the final total as soon as we can.

Thank you for giving others the opportunity to enjoy life before death.

Carolyn Smith and Rosemary Still
01473 625630

BRIGHT STARS

Our services in June are on Monday 14th and Monday 28th, at 10:30 am in St Michael's Church Centre.

Bright Stars is for pre-school children and their carers. We meet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month (except in the school holidays). We try to make children's worship fun and exciting - we sing, play games, have a short Bible based story, do some craft - and all in just over half an hour!

For more details phone Pauline on 01473 625061 or Liz on 01473 625617.

INDUCTION SERVICE FOR OUR NEW PARISH PRIEST

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to attend this service on Tuesday July 13th at 7:30 pm in St. Michael's Parish Centre, Martlesham Heath.

The new minister is the Revd. Ian Naylor, who has strong links with our area including service as a Curate in Ipswich. We hope you or a representative will be able to attend and share in this important beginning to a new Ministry in our Benefice of Martlesham and Brightwell.

Please let us know if you are able to accept this invitation.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,
Lewis Currie
on behalf of Martlesham and Brightwell Benefice

THOUGHTS FROM YOUR PARISH CHURCH

The news from Iraq and Palestine reminds us that it has never been more important to foster good relations between the three Abrahamic religions in our country, each of which looks back to Abraham as the patriarch who founded their belief in the one God, when he first followed God's call and left Ur of the Chaldees, leading his people on a pilgrimage to an unknown goal. Writing in the eighteenth century, the great German author G.E. Lessing put into a play a parable about Judaism, Islam and Christianity which could still help us today:

'A certain man possessed a ring of magic power, which made all who believed in its virtue *pleasing to God and man*.

This man had three sons whom he loved equally well. Being unwilling to enrich one at the expense of the others, he caused two new rings to be made exactly like the first. The sons, after their father's death, argue in court as to which of them possesses the true ring - just as Christian, Jew and Muslim disputed regarding the possession of the true religion - and the judge advises each one of them to believe that his ring is the genuine one, and to act accordingly.'

In living out this parable of *reconciliation*, the Christian, I like to think, could do no better than follow the old Quaker adage, and strive to see Jesus in every person he meets, not least in a person of a different faith!

Edwin Still, retired Reader

**St. Michael's Church
Centre is open daily on
weekdays from 10
am—12 noon for tea ,
coffee, information,
etc. Why not drop in to
meet friends old and
new?**

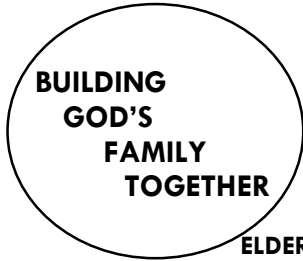
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Encourage.nurture.direction

**DROP IN
Each Saturday night
19:30—21:30
Martlesham church hall
Ages: 13-17**

Some things in black and white make sense

martinmontgomery@btopenworld.com



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
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 6th June Trinity Sunday	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion BCP	9:45am All Age Worship 6:30pm Informal Worship
Sunday 13th June Trinity 1	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion & Sunday School
Sunday 20th June Trinity 2	8am Holy Communion	11am Family Holy Communion	9:45am Worship & Sunday School 6:30pm Informal Worship
Sunday 27th June Festival, St John the Baptist	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion & Sunday School
Sunday 4th July Trinity 4	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion BCP	9:45am All Age Worship 6:30pm Informal Worship

MIDWEEK SERVICES: Holy Communion each Wednesday at 10am in St Michael's Church Centre. Bright Stars on Monday 14th June and 28th June at 10:30am in St Michael's Church Centre.

PRAYER DIARY FOR JUNE

Pray daily for world peace and:

- 7 for our Armed Forces in Iraq
- 8 for all Caring Agencies
- 9 for good neighbours
- 10 for family members
- 11 for the residents of Rona Avenue
- 12 for 'The End' Drop In Centre for teenagers
- 13 for Martin Montgomery and leaders involved in the above work
- 14 for the coming ministry of Ian Naylor
- 15 for all who are homeless
- 16 for the Deanery Synod meeting at Waldringfield
- 17 for those who work with the homeless
- 18 for the residents of Saddlers Place
- 19 for the editor of the Martlesham Monthly
- 20 for all fathers
- 21 for the Mothers' Union
- 22 for St Mary's Martlesham
- 23 for all the residents in the Parish of Brightwell
- 24 for the Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Brightwell
- 25 for the residents of Sandy Lane
- 26 for all who are getting married
- 27 for St Michael's Martlesham Heath
- 28 for all the clergy in this Diocese

- 29 for Kesgrave High School
- 30 for Birchwood Primary School
- JULY 1** for Gorseland Primary School
- 2 for the residents of School Lane
- 3 for Beacon Hill Primary School
- 4 for all Pre School work
- 5 for all the benefits of our community
- 6 for the organisers of Village day