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www.martlesham.org.uk.

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PC Ian Rafferty

In case of emergencies please always call 999. In non-emergency situations call the main switchboard on 01473 613500; you can also contact PC Rafferty on the following numbers for non-urgent matters: Office—01473 383487
E-mail—woodbridge.cpo@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

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.

Please contact Paul Firman 01473 622874.

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 RECYCLING CENTRE RETURNS TO MARTLESHAM HEATH

Martlesham Monthly are pleased to tell you that the Bottle and Recycling Centre have returned to The

Square. Martlesham Monthly got involved after numerous complaints were received. A representative from Martlesham Monthly called a meeting with Daniel Warring from Suffolk Coastal District Council Waste Management, Andy Hart from Bidwells and John Kelso, our District and County Councillor. After some discussion it was soon decided that this well used facility should return to The Square, to a slightly different location. We must thank Andy Hart who could not have been more helpful and understood the necessity of this facility. Also thanks should go to Daniel Warring for organising the new recycling centre which, as you will see, is a much smarter unit. Daniel Warring informed us that it will be a better managed area from now on.

There are now 4 containers - one for TINS, one for PAPER and two for GLASS and BOTTLES of any colour (all colours of bottles and glass are mixed in the same containers).

It would be appreciated if you could call the relevant phone numbers if you see the bottle bank overflowing. Also could we please ask you to respect the local residents by **NOT USING THE RECYCLING FACILITY DURING THE HOURS OF 8:00PM TO 8:00AM.** Martlesham Monthly were pleased to be involved in this venture which is such an asset to the community.

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 Monday 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.

Vacancy for Parish Councillor

There is a vacancy for a Parish Councillor which has arisen because of the recent resignation of Larissa

Hutson.

The role of a parish councillor is varied and interesting as it involves many aspects of the community; it is a voluntary position involving usually only two meetings per month and the amount of any other time needed is as little or as much as you may wish to make of the role.

If you are interested in helping to improve your community, perhaps you disagree with some of the things that the parish council does, or maybe you feel that your part of the parish needs better representation, please contact the Clerk who can provide further details or speak to any councillor.

Recycling Centre near The Square

Following the removal of the old recycling facilities, we are grateful that a replacement recycling centre has now been provided in the west car park.

A12 Roadworks

Work on the A12 between the BT and Tesco roundabouts should start on October 4th and go on for three weeks. The main works are being carried out overnight (8 pm to 6 am) with each carriageway in turn being closed and traffic diverted through the industrial area. For one of the weeks there may be restrictions on the use of the Eagle Way Link Road. Over a weekend (either 8th to 11th or 15th to 18th) the A12 southbound between the Tesco and BT roundabouts will be closed from 8 pm Friday to 6 am Monday with traffic diverted via the industrial area. There will also be 30 mph and 10 mph speed restrictions on the A12. These roadworks may cause some noise, nuisance and delays but please be patient and take care.

Cycling

Now that the evenings are getting darker would cyclists please make sure that they have lights on so that they can be seen by vehicle drivers and pedestrians.

Play Areas

The Parish Council looks after all four playgrounds in the parish - Recreation Ground, Jubilee Play-space (behind Beacon Hill School), Centenary Playspace (near Gorse-land 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.

Possible alcohol ban

There are suggestions that this should be considered as a way of helping to combat anti-social behaviour. This had been considered before though we were advised then that it would have been inappropriate. The Parish Council is finding out more information about reducing anti-social behaviour and would appreciate any help to identify any particular problems.

Working Parties

There is a working party on Saturday 23rd October, meeting 10 am outside the Parish Room.

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

Meetings

* Parish Council - Wednesday 6th October.

* Development Plans Committee - Wednesday 13th October.

* Recreation & Amenities Committee - Wednesday 20th October.

* Finance & General Purposes Committee - Wednesday 27th October.

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 PARISH PLAN

*** YOUR FUTURE ***

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

Since mid-September questionnaires are being delivered to every household in the parish of Martlesham. If you have not received one by the second week of October please contact the clerk (details below).

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 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.

MARTLESHAM IN BLOOM

Our Presentation Evening was held on Monday 27th September when the results of our Garden Competitions were announced and cups and certificates were presented. A full list of the results will be published in November's Martlesham Monthly.

The main activity this autumn is to complete the planting of the Drought Garden.

We will probably have several sessions to finish weeding and planting the remaining plants.

We will also be buying two trees, one each for the Recreation Ground and for Kronji's Piece, which will be planted this autumn

Our next event is on the evening of Thursday 9th December in St Michael's Church Centre. This is being planned as a fun evening with some musical entertainment and other activities and everybody is welcome. More details next month.

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**

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Charities Act 1960. Registered no.
273769

JUMBLE SALE

**Saturday 20th November
Afternoon
Martlesham Heath Pavilion**

**HPB Productions Presents...
OLD TIME MUSIC HALL**

With Christmas Carols
For
Martlesham Community Council (Reg.
Charity No. 273769)
& Martlesham Community Hall (Reg.
Charity No.1009602)

**7:30 pm Saturday 27th
November
at MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY
HALL, Felixstowe Road**

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**Refreshments - Prize for "Best
Costume in Audience" - Grand
Raffle**

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Tickets: £6, £5 (concessions)

**Tickets & further information
available from:
Burrows 01473 625196**

**REPORTING NTL CABLE
TELEVISION FAULTS**

If you are having a problem with
your TV reception and need to con-
tact NTL, the number for reporting
NTL TV faults is: **01582 - 893104**
and you need to state that you are
"calling from Martlesham Heath in
the Milton Keynes region."

**MARTLESHAM CONSULTANTS
LIMITED**

Looking After our Village

There is an urgent appeal for new
volunteers to join the Board of MCL
enclosed with this edition of Mart-
lesham Monthly; however, it is quite
possible that some people would be
willing to assist with the running of
MCL without actually becoming a

Director.

The Company is run by two
committees, Finance and General
Purposes and Land Maintenance, and
if any residents feel they would like
to give some time to either of these
committees they would be most wel-
come. No special expertise is neces-
sary - just an interest in Martlesham
Heath and concern for the
future of the village. Any of the exist-
ing volunteers would be willing to
have a chat and explain what is in-
volved. Please contact the address
below.

The annual maintenance
charge letters will shortly be sent out
and the dates on which they can be
paid are:

* Saturday 23.10.04 10:00 am to
noon

* Saturday 30.10.04 2:00 pm to
4:00 pm

The address is 6 The Square, e-mail
address mcl.mh@btinternet.com or
voicemail 01473 612207.

**MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY
HALL MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE**

The Community Hall Management
Committee continue to meet on a
regular basis, it is only a pity that
most of the regular hirers do not send
a representative to the meeting. We
have the four or five Societies/Clubs
that attend on a regular basis but it
would be nice to see all Clubs/
Societies represented. We are hav-
ing the Hall and the Richards Room
internally decorated during the Half
Term week in October. All the regu-
lar hirers have been told and are
fully co-operating. The decorating
will keep the buildings looking smart
and attractive.

We need someone to join the
Committee to take the minutes of the
meetings and write them up. The per-
son taking the minutes will only have
to supply one copy and will not have
to send round to all the Committee as
this is in hand.

We have had a new sign
fixed on the end wall nearest to Fe-
lixstowe Road of the Richards Room/
Parish Council room so everyone
knows which building is which. The

external lights have been upgraded
and some renewed, so there is plenty
of light round the buildings and car
park as we start the dark evenings
and nights.

We now have our own e-mail
address, useful in particular for con-
tacting the Booking Secretary. This
should help with problems we can
have with the answering machine.
You can contact us on: [martlesham
communityhall@btinternet.com](mailto:martleshamcommunityhall@btinternet.com)

However I must say, from my
own experiences, most people have
no idea how to leave a message on
these machines. When leaving a mes-
sage, speak slowly. You may say
01473 or 01394 fast, as we all rec-
ognize these codes. For the next six
figures (your own number), please
split them into three two digit num-
bers and leave a good gap between
them. Then we will be able to under-
stand and return the call. By the way,
38 43 33 is not 384 triple three, but
as written 38 43 double three.
NEVER say triple to any group of
three as it is very difficult to grasp.

The load and burden on the
few Members of the Committee to
keep everything in order and under-
take the small and minor alterations
and repairs has now come to such a
point that some of the tasks we used
to undertake are now being under-
taken by contractors, who have to be
paid. This may seem OK in the short
term but it can and most certainly will
mean higher hire fees.

So, a final plea in these notes;
more Committee Members, some help
to maintain, and a Minutes Secretary
(urgent). Our meetings are approxi-
mately 6 to 7 weeks apart and the
next one is at 7 pm on 19th Novem-
ber in the Parish Council Room. I ex-
pect the following meeting to be late
in January 2005.

Reply to Martlesham Commu-
nity Hall, Felixstowe Road, Mart-
lesham, Woodbridge, IP12 4PB.
Telephone (answering machine)
01473 623 203.

Ian O'Brien Baker, Chairman

ROGER BRYANT MBE

On Saturday 16th October a tree
will be planted in memory of Roger
Bryant MBE. We will meet in the Par-
ish Council Meeting Room, Felixstowe
Road, Martlesham at 10:30 am. Fol-

lowing the ceremony there will be coffee and biscuits. All are welcome.

Doreen Bryant

MARTLESHAM AND DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB

The demonstrator for our September meeting was Mrs Francis Chasney, from Bures, her subject "The Pleasure of Flowers". The arrangements varied from Autumn in an English garden, memories of Constance Spry's work, a hand-tied bouquet of mixed flowers, a Continental Design in red gerberas and gladioli, purple gentiana and yellow chrysanthus. The final arrangement of yellow roses, orange alstroemeria, yellow lilies and cream lisianthus was entitled "A Celebration of Life", inspired by the return to health of Mrs Chasney's husband after major surgery, and the birth of her first grandson.

Margaret Forbes gave the vote of thanks to Mrs Chasney.

The competition, "Colour Harmony", was won by Ann Frazer, with Shelagh Goddard winning the Novice Class.

On 20th October we will hold our open meeting when Mr D Thomson will demonstrate "Colours of My Life". Doors open at 12:45 pm. Lunch will be served at 1:15 pm and the demonstration will commence at 2:30 pm. Tickets are £9 including lunch and are available from Ann Chisem.

The club meets at 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

We had a successful show on Saturday 11th September. The standard of exhibits was very high. Thank you to all who came along and sup-

ported us in the afternoon.

Entries were up this year by more than a third to just under 200, with nearly all classes in the schedule increasing in entrants. Cups were awarded as follows:

Thompson Cup – Sylvia Harris
Rose Bowl – Pat Pomphrey
Powling Cup – Cyril Watson
Vegetable Cup – Cyril Watson
Flower Cup – Brian Davey
Fruit Cup – Brian Davey
Children's Senior Cup - Charlotte Bickers

There were no entries in the Children's junior section.

Best in class awards were made to:

Sylvia Harris – Cookery
Sheila Swannich – Flower
Eric Rollins – Vegetables
Eric Rollins – Fruit
Marjorie Manning – Flower Design

Congratulations to all of the winners and a big thank you to all those members and non-members who made the effort to take part and make the show once again a successful part of Martlesham village life, bringing the community together.

The new schedule is already being put together for next year's Spring Show. If anyone has any comments or views about the above show or would like to see something different included in next year's shows, please contact our Show Secretary Bernard Ward, on tel. 01473 626918. He will be happy to hear from you.

For October there are two meetings planned. The first is slightly moving away from the topic of gardening, when we look to welcoming Chris Miller on October 8th with a talk on 'The Suffolk Punch'.

October 22nd sees the return of a favourite speaker of the VPA, Matthew Tanton-Brown. Matthew will be deliberating on the subject of 'Companion Planting'

Both meetings will be held in the Richards Rooms at 7:30 pm and refreshments will be available. If you would like to attend and are not yet a member, please contact the chairman Stan Harris (tel. 01473 623427) for more details.

Advance warning of our

AGM which will be on 12th November.

MARTLESHAM W.I.

At the Open Meeting on September 17th the President, Mrs Audrey Burnell, was pleased to welcome seven members from Levington W. I., two from Kesgrave and one from Ipswich. Mrs Westren, speaker, showed many slides of East Anglia giving us several interesting facts about each one.

Following this Mrs Westren introduced a quiz showing more slides for members to identify. Out of 33 slides Mrs Susan Cunliffe was the winner with 31 correct answers.

The President gave a vote of thanks showing the appreciation of everyone present.

Still with the same theme the competition was for an East Anglian picture and the speaker chose entries from Audrey Burnell and Maureen Simpson as first and second respectively.

Refreshments were provided by the Committee.

At the next meeting on 15th October at 7:30 pm in the Richard Room, Mr Suttinwood will talk on the work of the Ipswich Wildlife Care and Rescue Centre.

Visitors and new members always welcome.

Contact Mrs Betty Darke, Secretary, tel. 01473 624193.

MARKET ON THE GREEN

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. 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.

If you would like to become a producer at either venue you would be very welcome. There is a small joining fee and a weekly commission is taken but the profit is all yours. It's a great way of earning money from home if you enjoy cooking, gardening or crafts.

We will start taking orders for Christmas items especially cakes and puddings during September.

Orders can be placed at either venue or via the website - www.marketonthegreen.org

For any further information please contact marie@whinney89.freemove.co.uk

THREE BEARS PLAYGROUP

The new children are settling well and learning about the changes that Autumn brings. Our Ramble to Rendlesham will be held in October when we will be able to observe and investigate these changes in the forest. During the month we will also look forward to a visit from the hedgehog lady with a little prickly friend!

Our Clairvoyant Evening will be held on Friday 12th November in Martlesham Community Hall at 7:30 pm. Tickets cost £5 and are now available from Elizabeth on 01473 635944 or Sue on 01394 386940 (evenings).

If you would like to receive a copy of our Prospectus and Registration Form, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above number. Elizabeth Leonard, Vice-Chair

ST MICHAEL'S PRE-SCHOOL

Martlesham Heath

The staff and committee would like to give both existing and new children a big welcome back to pre-school.

The pre-school has booked the Tempest photographer to come and visit on Friday 22nd October. Photos will be taken from 3-5 pm. The session is open to all pre-school children and their families and friends.

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. This number will be answered during session times (9:15 – 3:15 Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 1:15 – 3:45 Wednesday and 12:45 – 3:15 Thursday) and is available during school holidays.

Rachel Vest

CALLING ALL MUMS...

The next meeting of the Mums' Club will be held at St Michaels Church Centre on Tuesday 5th October from 12:45 to 2:30 pm. Lunch will be served around 1 pm followed by a talk from Elspeth Lickert on Healthy Eating and Food Intolerances in Children.

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

For more details please phone Kay on 01473 626169.

CHILDCARE

Ofsted approved Registered Childminders of Martlesham/Martlesham Heath now have vacancies for:-

- * full/part-time
- * early morning school runs
- * 3:30 pm 'pick up' (from local schools)
- * school holidays

We are all fully insured and First Aid trained.

Whatever your needs, don't hesitate to phone me on 01473 610411. E-mail childminding@fiona-jackson.com regarding childminding in general. Alternately call Jean Bridle (who is the vacancy co-ordinator) on 01473 625681. E-mail brian_bridle@btinternet.com.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Fiona Jackson

MARTLESHAM MOTHERS' UNION

There was a change of plan for our September meeting. Instead of 'Mission Unlimited', intended to familiarise us all with the basic aims of MU, Elizabeth went 'bananas!' The economy of our link Diocese of the Windward Islands is based on bananas, so we played the banana game. We were each given a sheet of green or yellow paper and told to draw a banana. Being well schooled in art, I promptly filled my page with a nice plump one. This was promptly scorned as too big, and along with some fairly small ones, judged to be worth only a penny. All those on yellow paper were discarded as too ripe along

with all the tiny ones which were also worthless. Those remaining each received 2p. For our friends in the Windward Islands, bananas are no game - their livelihood depends on them. So next time you buy some, please look for the Windward Island label.

Don't forget we are still collecting knitted hats and copies of Reader's Digest for seafarers, old spectacles for Africa, and toiletries for victims of domestic violence who have fled their homes with practically nothing.

Our next meeting is at St Michael's at 2:30 on Wednesday October 6th when Vera Ransom will be showing slides of Israel.

Please remember Sue Lambert, who is recovering well from her recent operation, along with Betty Dickinson, Olive Smith, Lillian, Nesta, Ena, Doreen, and Peg in your prayers, together with any others you feel need our support.

A thought for the month; It's good to be well organised - but not so organised that there's no time left to help a friend in need!

GOD BLESS, SHEILA SMITH

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EVENING

Your chance to beat the Christmas rush!

Stalls to include: Orchard Toys, Phoenix Cards, Usborne Books, Body Shop, Seasons, W.I.

Market, Decorations and more ...and help the school as all profits go straight to Parents Assoc. funds

£1 entrance includes a glass of wine and nibbles

**Wednesday 20th October
7:30 pm at**

MARTELSHAM BEACON HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Please call the school on 01473 624409 (daytimes) or 01473 624516 (evenings) for more information

MARTLESHAM WIVES GROUP

The next meeting is on Monday 18th October 7:30 pm:

Visit to "Jars of Clay"

49 The Thoroughfare, Woodbridge

Demonstration of ceramic painting. (Lifts available from the Bader car park—7:00 pm).

For further details contact Jenny 01473 626253.

CREATIVE KIDS

Creative Kids is coming to Martlesham from 5th November. Creative Kids is an arts, crafts and music group set up by two local mums from Grange Farm. It is aimed at pre-school children from 1 year old and offers lots of activities including, painting, drawing, gluing, play dough, cookery, music and singing. The group has been running successfully at the new Scout Hall at Kesgrave on Thursday mornings from 9:30 – 11:00 [term time only] since Easter. Due to its popularity and many requests we will now be running a second session at the Scout Hall in Martlesham starting on Friday 5th November from 9:45 – 11:15 [term time only]. A session is £3.50 per child with a reduction available for siblings.

For lots of messy fun [we clear up!] come along and give us a try, aprons provided! It is a great way for the adults to make new friends. As you join in and help your children, you get to enjoy your second childhood too!

FAREWELL TEA FOR BRIAN, THE CO-OP MILKMAN

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

The presentation of the money collected (together with mementoes) from the village will be at 3:30 pm.

It is still not too late to take part in the celebration for Brian's retirement.

Please deliver any contributions and details of numbers attending to: Glenys Owens, 14 Warren Lane.

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

MARTLESHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Hadrian's Wall

I imagine that we have all heard of Hadrian's Wall - and perhaps have some idea where it is - but do you know who built it and when? Our speaker on Monday, October 18th will be Mark Mitchels, the local historian and author. He will be telling - and showing - us how the Roman Army built and defended the wall against incursions from the north.

The meeting will be held in The Pavilion at 8 pm. Admission is £1 and all are welcome. The Pavilion is now fitted with an inductive loop to assist those with hearing aids. For further information contact John Tyier, tel. 01473 612736 or Paul Firman, tel. 01473 622874.

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

Our monthly meeting on Friday 3rd September featured a talk by Mr John Cooper entitled "Splashdown on the Equator".

John, who lives locally, spoke about his traumatic experiences when he was a passenger aboard an RAF Handley Page Hastings aircraft that crashed into the sea whilst trying to land at RAF Gann, one of the Maldivian islands. This happened on 1st March 1960 when John, together with a few other National Servicemen were being repatriated back to England. The aircraft bounced three times before coming to rest and fortunately all aboard were able to get into life rafts. A Shackleton aircraft was scrambled from Gann and an RAF pinnace was eventually guided by the Shackleton to the position of the passengers and crew.

A vote of thanks was given by Gordon Kinsey.

Our next meeting will be on Friday 1st October and the speakers will be from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. This illustrated talk will feature the history and work of that important organisation. It is a most interesting and professional presentation and comes within a few weeks of our own Remembrance Service which will be held at 3 pm on the Barrack

Square.

The meeting will start promptly at 7:30 pm at the Community Hall and last until the coffee break. Afterwards we will be having a talk by Gordon Kinsey. All non-members are also welcome. Just £2 at the door.

Alan Powell 01473 622458

MARTLESHAM AVIATION SOCIETY—OPEN DAY

We are very pleased to report that our "Open Day" on Sunday 12th September was successful and attended by a very good crowd. Hopefully all who came had a good time and we were certainly grateful for the support that we received.

Due to the generosity of one of the American fliers who was at Martlesham in 1944/5 we have now put a cupola on top of the Control Tower with steps leading to it. This returns the building to its authentic wartime configuration.

We were pleased to welcome Mark Murphy and his wife, Lesley Dolphin, from Radio Suffolk and they officially opened the new addition and also the adjacent air raid shelter which has been restored by our wonderful helpers.

We were delighted to welcome the wife of one of the many Americans who were based here in 1944/5 and also the son of one of the American pilots who served here.

Also present was a modern day American Air Force pilot! Lt. Nichelle Brokering is a **young lady** who pilots one of the giant refuelling tanker aircraft based at Mildenhall. Nichelle is the niece of another wartime American pilot who was based at Martlesham and who unfortunately lost his life in a flying accident at Hintlesham.

Many thanks to all who supported us and to the boys and girls of both Woodbridge and Felixtowe ATC who worked so hard.

Alan Powell 01473 622458

POPPY APPEAL 2004

It's that time of the year again—the Poppy Appeal Collection will be from Saturday 30th October until Saturday 13th November. I am short of house-to-house collectors in

the Martlesham Heath area. If you can help, please let me know.

We have a good branch of the Royal British Legion in Kesgrave and would welcome all ex-service men and women to join our branch, also non-service person who have an interest in the work of the Royal British Legion.

K J Wilding MBE

Poppy Appeal Organiser

Please phone 01473 622757

PORTAL AVENUE WOODLANDS MANAGEMENT/ CONSERVATION GROUP

We are back into the period when we can use our tools without disturbing the wildlife too much. Improvement of path surfaces using the chipper/shredder will restart, and I know user's memory is often very short, but during this very wet summer, path surfaces through the woodland have remained easily useable despite rain and horses!

Some thinning of trees will again occur, but only after an inspection by the SCDC tree officer and agreement on what trees need felling. There is a Tree Preservation Order on the Woodland and no trees are felled without clearance from SCDC. Occasionally the Group will identify a tree that has become dangerous to users of the woodland and deal with it straight away, but that is unusual.

It is garden clearance time again, and we caught someone in Deben Avenue fly tipping material in the woodland. If necessary we will report these people to the Police, so please desist.

With the current weather we will complete our 'fair weather dance' (not a pretty sight) and hope that the next month's workday, which is Sunday 17th October meeting at 10 o'clock at the Force HQ Sports field gate, is blessed with dry weather. All are welcome.

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

MARTLESHAM

CONSERVATION GROUP

Our next work party will be on Sunday 10th October when we will return to the Martlesham Heath SSSI on the western corridor when we will be working on heather conservation tasks. Please meet outside the Douglas Bader at 10 am or phone me to find out where we will be working. Anyone is welcome to come along, no previous experience is required, all tools and equipment will be provided. Please come along and help promote our local wildlife.

Phil Smith 01473 625630

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST

The Woodbridge Group of the Suffolk Wildlife Trust will be holding the first indoor meeting of our autumn and winter programme on Thursday 21st October at 7:30 pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall, when Richard Davies of Forest Enterprise will be presenting an illustrated talk entitled "After the Storm". Richard will be speaking about the aftermath following the Great Storm of 1987, and its impact on attitudes and approaches to conservation, particularly within Forest Enterprise. Admission is £1.50. Everyone is welcome.

On Thursday 18th November at 7:30 pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall we will have a talk entitled "Scotland - the Wilderness on your Doorstep" by Ian Rowlands.

On Thursday 9th December we will have our Christmas Quiz also at 7:30 pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall, with the usual mince pies and mulled wine.

On Saturday 16th October we will be holding a street collection in Woodbridge town centre so watch out for us there and please donate something. If you can help with the collection, please get in touch with me.

Phil Smith 01473 625630

THANK YOU, THANK YOU

to all who came to the Open Garden (£200) and the Music Quiz (£112). From the comments received on both occasions everyone seemed to have enjoyed them

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selves and we certainly did.

Four people braved the potter's wheel and have bowls or mugs to mark the occasion.

Thanks to all who gave cakes, raffle prizes, plants to sell, and a special thank you to the Lambert family for the quiz.

John and Maureen Read,
ESM Himalayan Challenge

ANTIQUES VALUATION DAY

SUNDAY 17TH OCTOBER

10:30 am—1:00 pm and 2:00

pm—4:00 pm

THE PAVILION

MARTLESHAM HEATH

Valuations and advice on:- English Pottery, Porcelain, European Ceramics, Silver, Jewellery, Glass, Base Metals, Furniture, Treen, Watercolours and Prints, Paintings and Drawings.

Well-known national antique dealers will be present.

The experts are giving their time free. Entrance fee of £1, with a valuation charge of £2 per item. This will be in aid of East Suffolk Mind Himalayan Challenge. Contact: John Read 01473 624897

MARTLESHAM BRASS

After a summer break during August, Martlesham Brass are preparing for a busy autumn and winter season seeing them perform at various functions all over Suffolk. On 2nd October it is Martlesham Brass' 8th Birthday Concert, held at the Martlesham Community Centre. The Concert takes place from 7 - 9:30 pm, with doors opening at 6:30 pm (tickets available on the door). Those eight years have seen the band grow from 20 members to well over 100 and this concert will be a real celebration of how far the Band have come, featuring solo's from players who have progressed from beginner level.

Other events coming up over the next month include the Preliminary Bands annual Tea and Tunes event at St Michaels Church in Martlesham. This takes place on 6th November between 10 am and 12 pm. Again tickets will be available on the door from 9:30 am. This is a great opportunity for the Preliminary band to showcase their array of music in their own concert. The

Band will also be playing at Woodbridge Town Council Remembrance Day Parade on 14th November from 10:30 am - 11:45 am, as well as at St Mary's Church Remembrance Day Service on the same day. Later in November, on the 20th, Martlesham Brass will be playing at the Orwell Yacht Club between 8 pm and 10 pm. This will take the Band through to the start of their Christmas events, as far away as that may seem at the moment.

If anyone would like any information about the Band please contact Matthew Ellis on 07813 760499 or by e-mail: matthew.ellis@archant.co.uk

1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUT GROUP

We're back in full swing after the summer break, and full information – including contact details, section programmes and Scout Group events – is posted on the Martlesham Community web site under 'Youth Groups' at <http://www.martlesham.org.uk>

As many people know, there are facilities at the Scout HQ for depositing aluminium cans, which provide some income for the Scouts. Since the recycling banks were removed from the Square, however, some people have left bottles too. Please note that it is only cans we collect.

It may only be October but Christmas is on the horizon and our Scouts will once again be participating in the highly acclaimed Christmas Scout Post. More information will follow, but please think ahead and consider using our service when sending cards in the IP1-IP5 areas.

Finally, if you or anyone you know is interested in becoming involved as a Leader, please do get in touch. Whilst we have an enthusiastic and energetic crew, some are looking to have a breather after many years service, and we need willing volunteers to help. It's rewarding and it's fun.

Bruce Mitchell

MARTLESHAM BOWLS CLUB

It is now October and the end of

the season for outdoor bowling. A quick look at some recent games mostly played in good weather follows:

In the Coronation Drive 22 members took part. Peter Gorham was the winner, and the runner-up was Peter Mullett

The last Wednesday Pairs Tournament was won by Linda Brown and Steve Danby. Saturday 12th September was the last day of play so as usual it was Lads and Lassies and the Lassies won.

Mary Marsh and Sue Golding did very well in the County Senior Pairs Competition, getting all the way to the final. They put up a good fight but could not quite get the better of their opposition. Well done to them both for coming Runners-up, especially as it was Sue's first time entering a County competition.

On Saturday 4th September, Pat Shannon and I spent a very interesting and enjoyable afternoon at Tunstall, as guests of Tunstall Bowling Club. We were there to witness the Finals of "The Daniels Bowls Charity Cup and Plate" competition.

Afterwards we received from Mrs Andrea Daniels Smith, Vice President, a cheque for £500 on behalf of 'Sound On' (Ipswich & District Talking Newspaper), an organisation that we are both involved with, as are other members of our bowling club. Two other organisations benefited by the same amount, Macmillan Cancer Relief and East Anglian Air ambulance, who also had representatives there.

On behalf of our Charity and all the others that benefited in the past, we would like to express our appreciation to the Daniels Charity Organisation for all their efforts and all the members of all the Clubs that have supported and continue to support this very worthwhile competition.

Eric Rollins

MARTLESHAM CARPET BOWLS

The last three matches of the summer league resulted in two good home wins, each of 8-2 against both Claydon and Tithe Barn. Our

last away match at Tuddenham was a resounding loss of all four games.

On Sunday 22nd August 256 bowlers played in the annual Stutton Pairs Charity Match at the Royal Hospital School, Holbrook. Eight of our members took part, funds being raised in support of local branches of Motor Neurone Disease and Macmillan Nurses.

Our first match in the winter league first division was away at Tuddenham where we again lost 10-0. No surprises there then!

October 1st sees the start of our Friday afternoon sessions. As with Tuesdays, all players are requested to arrive when the doors open at 1:45 pm to help prepare the hall for a 2 pm start.

Please note the hall will be closed for decorating the week 25th—29th October so there will be no home bowling sessions during this time. There will, however, be an away match on Thursday 28th at Hintlesham and Chattisham.

Chris Chamberlain

KESGRAVE TENNIS CLUB

Established 1947

www.kesgrave.org.uk/tennisclub

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

Any one wishing to join the Tennis Club please phone Sally Bovey on 01473 253287 or come along to club night on Wednesday 7-10 pm and collect an application form.

We run coaching sessions for all ages and all abilities, including short tennis and wheelchair tennis. For more information on coaching please phone Dick McDonald on 01394 384791.

Please visit our website - www.kesgrave.org.uk/tennisclub

NATIONAL OSTEOPOROSIS SOCIETY

Local Group

On October 15th, 2:30 pm to 4 pm, at St. Augustine's Church Hall, Bucklesham Road, Ipswich, we shall be able to enjoy another "Any Questions?" session.

Dr Gavin Clunie, Consultant Rheumatologist, Ipswich Hospital, will be answering questions on os-

teoporosis - prevention, treatment, new developments, etc. If there is anything you would like or need to know about osteoporosis do come armed with your question. The answer may well help others while helping you.

Verbal or written questions are equally acceptable.

AGE CONCERN SUFFOLK

(Registered charity 1085900)

Everybody is talking about it, but what can the internet do for you?

Senior citizens in south Suffolk are being offered the opportunity to try the internet for free as part of Age Concern's Silver Surfers Festival, launched on 4th October.

"During the Silver Surfers Festival we are holding four *Drop In Friday* events" said Helen Taylor, Information Manager from Age Concern Suffolk. "On these Fridays we want to encourage local senior citizens who have not yet used the internet or a computer to drop in to our Tearooms Centre, at the Town Hall, Cornhill, Ipswich, to find out more about the internet and e-mail. We will have friendly tutors around on the *Drop in Fridays* to give people a taste of what they can learn with us, and there will be a chance to look at digital photography and using a scanner too."

If you would like a free Silver Surfers action pack please telephone 0800 096 7777. If you would like to know more about Age Concern Suffolk's computer and internet lessons please telephone 01473 257039, or call in on one of the *Drop In Fridays* mentioned above.

KESGRAVE AND DISTRICT YOUTH FORUM

Despite August's bad weather we have seen lots of young people taking part in the summer games organised by our local detached youth workers and SCDC.

We also had a very successful Fun Event from which we got ideas for future activities.

Staff who supervised the bouncy castle and other inflatables complimented us on how well the young people behaved throughout the day. They had to wait patiently

at various times while water was mopped up. Well done to all of you.

We hope to hold some community events in the near future to canvas ideas from everyone, not just young people.

If you would like more information about the Youth Forum, please contact Joyce Beale on 01394 387496 or send an e-mail to joyce@bealej.fsnet.co.uk

SUFFOLK DRUG ACTION TEAM

Your District Council has agreed to fund a further year of drugs awareness training for local community groups. We are now able to offer training tailored to specific needs, including Basic Drug Awareness, Further Drug Awareness, Alcohol Misuse, Entheogens and Natural Highs, Substance Misuse in Families, Club Drugs, Drugs and Health, and Drugs and Mental Health.

These **free** educational sessions around drug and alcohol abuse may be useful for the parish council or community groups in the area - youth clubs, church groups, charities, parents groups, schools, neighbourhood watches, pub watches, etc.

The sessions are usually an hour to ninety minutes long, can be held in venues convenient to yourselves, evening or daytime. Groups can book a session by telephoning 01473 265170. Our fax number is 01473 216889.

Robin Herne, Public Educator, Suffolk DAT

A NOTE FROM IPSWICH PCT & EAST SUFFOLK EMERGENCY CARE NETWORK

Need urgent care or advice? Phone your local surgery Day or night that number is right!

You might have heard in the national press that local Primary Care Trusts (PCTs) will soon take over the responsibility for ensuring that you can get appropriate medical advice and treatment when your GP surgery is closed. In Suffolk this will happen from 1st October.

What does this mean for you?

You don't need to worry about this change as you can continue to

expect the same high quality service that is provided for you at present, with very few changes:

* During normal surgery hours on Mon-Fri (except public holidays) you can access a member of your GP practice team at your local surgery in the usual way.

* If you need urgent advice or treatment outside these hours you should ring your local surgery telephone number, whereupon you will be transferred or directed to the 'on call' service, in the same way that you are now.

* You will then be able to speak to a GP or nurse, and may be asked to attend a local primary care centre for assessment or treatment, in the same way that you are now.

* If clinically necessary you will still be able to receive a home visit from a GP.

However, before seeking advice, have you considered:

* Speaking to your pharmacist?

* Calling NHS Direct on 0845 4647?

* If your problem can wait until your local surgery opens?

So what is different?

The most important difference is that under the new national contract, most GPs will not open their surgeries on Saturday mornings, so you will now be directed to the 'on call' emergency service during this time, in the same way that you would be on Sundays at present.

This is important if you normally collect repeat prescriptions on Saturdays, because you will now need to do this in normal surgery opening hours during the week. If you are unsure about arrangements, please speak to a member of staff at your surgery, who will be happy to help.

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.

Martlesham Consultants Ltd

To all residents of Martlesham Heath –

Do you like living on Martlesham Heath?

Do you appreciate the open space and general environment?

Do you enjoy the special character of the Village?

Do you or your family take advantage of the sporting and recreational facilities provided in the Pavilion, the Control Tower, or on the Green?

Can you offer a little time to help to look after Martlesham Heath?

MCL NEEDS YOUR HELP

MCL is the company that owns and manages land in the village that belongs jointly to all of the property owners on Martlesham Heath. It contributes to the Village by looking after this land and the buildings on it, and works with other groups to provide resources for the community.

MCL is run by volunteers, but at present there are still not enough people willing to give a little of their time to keep MCL going. The work is not difficult, is suitable for adults of any age, and is an opportunity for people to put something back into the community.

Unless more volunteers come forward to spend some time as Directors of MCL, or help to manage the land that we own, it is inevitable that MCL will go out of business, and if the land and other assets have to be given to a local Council, they will lack the long-term protection that ownership by MCL provides.

If you believe that Martlesham Heath is a special place and can contribute some time to help to keep it that way, then please get in touch.

Please contact the MCL office on 01473 612207 or e-mail on mcl.mh@btinternet.com

BRIGHTWELL CHURCH

AUTUMN IN THE HIGHLANDS - a slide show to be presented by Paul Mothersole on FRIDAY OCTOBER 22nd in Brightwell Church Hall at 7:30 pm. Besides this feature there will also be other sequences and a picture quiz. The show will be followed by light refreshments. Proceeds in aid of the Barnabas Trust. You are invited to attend, retiring collection.

Our Church of St. John the Baptist has recently had the vestry reorganised and has been fitted with cupboards and worktop to facilitate the preparation for services and serving of refreshments afterwards. To meet the requirements of the DDA 2004 a deaf loop amplifier is on order and we are looking at the provision of toilet facilities. We shall be pleased to see you at any of our services as detailed on the back page of the Monthly.

Finally we are grateful to the co-operation of Mr Guy Nicholls for the re-routed track to the Car Park at the Church.

Geoff Lambert, PCC Secretary
brightwellpcc@tesco.net

MARTLESHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Black Tiles Lane

"Moving on..."

The Apostle Peter ends his second letter with the words "Grow in grace and in the knowledge of your Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3 v. 18)

In other words "Keep moving on! - Do not become static in your faith!" In recent weeks many people at M.C.F. have been doing this in various ways.

Young people have attended Christian camps at Sizewell Hall. Others have been involved in a Christian Festival (Soul Survivor) at Shepton Mallett and also at a "Living Waters" event in Norwich. These occasions are opportunities for growth and development, via teaching and meeting others from various backgrounds.

Three of our young men were baptised to show their determination to "move on" with Christ. This highly symbolic ordinance indicates a willingness to be wholly commit-

ted to the cause of God's Kingdom. (We baptise by immersion as per the examples in the New Testament.) Another of our young men spent some weeks in South Africa with a Tear Fund "transform team" doing building work and helping with Aids orphans, a challenging experience and an opportunity to develop a different sense of values.

Let us endeavour to follow Paul's example, who said, "Forgetting those things which are behind, I press on towards the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenwards in Christ Jesus" (Phil 3 v. 13).

FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES IN SEPTEMBER

SUNDAYS

Family Service - 10:30 am

Sunspot/Respect - 11:00 am

Communion - 6:30 pm

TUESDAY CIRCLE - 12th October

(A "jam" session)

WEDNESDAYS

Fun-Fit - 9:30 am

Ladies Bible Study - 11:00 am

House Groups - 7:45 pm

THURSDAYS

Toddler Group - 10:00 am

Youth Club - 7:00 pm

Please contact the following for information about M.C.F. activities - Julie Faulkner (01473 625482) or John Mellen (01473 624401).

NOTICE FOR WALKERS IN AID OF THE BARNABAS TRUST

On October 13th there will be a short walk and a longer walk starting from St Michaels, Martlesham Heath, ending with a Ploughman's lunch in the church centre around 12:45 pm.

The long walk starts at 10:30 am from St. Michaels. The short walk starts at 11:30 am. We make an open invitation to NON-WALKERS to come along and have lunch and share in the fun.

The price of lunch is £3. If the weather is bad please still come along to support the occasion. There will be a raffle and good prizes.

Please make a note in your diary and for more information contact 01473 625855 or 01473 625320.

BRIGHT STARS

There is only one Bright Stars in October - on Monday 11th at 10:30 am in St Michael's Church Centre, when we will be looking at how God created our world. Bright Stars is a short service for pre-school children and their carers. We aim to make children's worship fun and exciting. We hope that you can join us.

For more details contact Pauline (01473 625061) or Liz (01473 625617).

BARN DANCE

IN AID OF

The "SAMARITANS"
Dancing to the "Jigsaws"

DATE - NOVEMBER 6TH
8 PM to 11:30 PM

VENUE
NEW SCOUT HALL - KESGRAVE

For details/tickets contact John Mellen - 01473 624401

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?



THE CHURCH IN MARTLESHAM & BRIGHTWELL

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The Revd. Heather Cooke, 9 Swan Close, Martlesham Heath, Tel: 623770

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Services for the Month	Brightwell St. John's	Martlesham St. Mary's	Martlesham Heath St. Michael's
Sunday 3rd October Trinity 17 Harvest Festival		8am Holy Communion 11am Holy Communion BCP 6:30pm Songs of Praise	9:45am All Age Worship
Sunday 10th October Trinity 18	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion & Sunday School
Sunday 17th October Trinity 19 St Luke	8am Holy Communion	11am Family Holy Communion	9:45am Worship and Sunday School 6:30pm Informal Worship
Sunday 24th October Trinity 20 Bible Sunday	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion. No Sunday School.
Sunday 31st October All Saints	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion. No Sunday School.
Sunday 7th November 4th before Advent	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 will meet on Monday 11th October at St Michaels at 10:30am. A warm welcome is guaranteed at each of the above services.

PRAYER DIARY FOR OCTOBER

Pray daily for the Ministry Team, our Parish and:

7 for the residents of The Square and The Stirrups

8 for the homeless

9 all those attending the Harvest Supper

10 give thanks for our daily bread

11 for all road menders and sweepers

12 for all public servants

13 for the residents of Thirling Court

14 for all victims of domestic violence

15 for all experiencing marriage problems

16 for all MU members attending the Archdeaconry

Coffee Morning

17 give thanks for God's creation

18 for St Luke and all doctors

19 for nurses and ancillary hospital staff

20 for the residents of Three Stiles Lane

21 for all shop staff

22 for all office workers

23 for all factory workers

24 for opticians and dentists

25 for law enforcers

26 for all families of prisoners

27 for the residents of Turino Drive

28 give thanks for Apostles Simon and Jude

29 for all oppressed people

30 for children everywhere

31 for more spiritual awareness

NOVEMBER 1 give thanks for all the Saints

2 remember all the faithful departed

3 for the residents of Turner Gardens

4 give thanks for all life's blessing

5 for a safe Firework night

6 for compassion and a readiness to understand