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## **MARTLESHAM IS NOW READ WORLDWIDE**

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## **POLICE**

Community Police Officer  
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—[ian.rafferty@suffolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:ian.rafferty@suffolk.pnn.police.uk)

### **Police Surgeries**

This is your opportunity to have an informal chat with your local policeman at the following dates and times (all surgeries will be held in **Martlesham Heath Pavilion**):  
**Mondays 12:30-2:00 pm**  
17th October, 21st November, 19th December  
**Thursdays 4:45-5:45 pm**  
6th October, 3rd November, 1st December

## **COMMUNITY RESPONDERS**

Martlesham Community Responders provide a first response to most 999 calls received by the East Anglian Ambulance Trust within

Martlesham, Martlesham Heath, Waldringfield, Newbourne and Brightwell.

We are a group of volunteers (funded entirely by donations) who are trained to provide first aid and resuscitation skills until the arrival of an emergency ambulance.

For further details, contact Andy Oxborrow 01473 620432 (E-mail [Andy.Oxborrow@suffolk.sia.org.uk](mailto:Andy.Oxborrow@suffolk.sia.org.uk))

## **NTL**

Martlesham Monthly have now made contact with a representative of NTL who knows we exist and have a cable system. He is taking action with his superiors on the subject of the cable system here on the Heath.

A local resident gave us this contact, and it seems to be paying off. We hope to bring you more news next month.

As for now, when you need to report a fault dial 0800 0522 0000 and when the phone is answered say that you "are reporting a fault on the cable system at Martlesham Heath which belongs to NTL and is an ex BT Network".

Best of luck!!!!!!

## **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 PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Grants**

The Parish Council will be considering all applications for grants from local organisations in the autumn. If your group wishes to apply for a grant, please contact the Parish Council for an application form (details below). Forms should be completed and returned to the Parish Council by 14th November.

### **Felixstowe Road**

There still seems to be some confusion with using this road. **Felixstowe Road has a 30mph speed limit.** It is a local road linking the communit-

ies of old and new Martlesham and the only direct route for pedestrians and cyclists. If you need to travel faster than 30mph in your car or van **please use the A12 bypass.**

#### **Revised bus timetables**

We have been advised of some changes to local services, which came into effect on 30/8/05. Local services affected are: 63, 63A, 64, 64A, 64B, 65, 66 and 66B. Information is available on Traveline on 0870 608 2 608. It may be possible to provide some information through the Martlesham Monthly in future, however if you would like to see this information on a local website, please let us know.

#### **Tesco development**

The Parish Council has been receiving an average of four planning applications per month from Tesco for the local store development, over the past few months. The Council is concerned at the 'piecemeal' approach and the lack of clarity as to what is trying to be achieved. A number of applications have been objected to, particularly those relating to the goods delivery yard. We have received a number of comments from residents about congestion in Felixstowe Road caused by lorries parking. The store was originally designed such that delivery lorries could drive straight into the delivery yard without the need to either park on the road or reverse into the yard. If you are aware of any difficulties in using the road as result of this, please let us have details, such as dates and times of these occurrences.

#### **Foxhall landfill site**

There have been a number of days when unpleasant smells have emanated from the site affecting Martlesham residents. The site operators, Viridor Waste, are keen to eliminate these, which are often undetectable at the site. Please report these smells if they adversely affect you, using the Environment Agency freephone number: 0800 807060.

#### **Forthcoming meetings**

- \* Parish Council – Wednesday 5th October and 2nd November
- \* Development Plans Committee – Wednesday 12th October
- \* Recreation & Amenities Committee – Wednesday 19th October

\* Finance & General Purposes Committee - Wednesday 26th October

All meetings are 7:30 pm in the Parish Room, Felixstowe Road and are open to the public, who are welcome to ask questions or make comments to the council during the adjournment.

#### **Contacting the Council**

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

Telephone or fax 01473 612632.

e-mail: [martleshampc@btclick.com](mailto:martleshampc@btclick.com)

Lynne Lodge - Clerk

#### **MARTLESHAM IN BLOOM**

##### **Summer Garden Competitions**

Our Presentation Evening was held on Monday 26th 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.

Our next event is an evening in early December in St Michael's Church Centre. This is being planned as a fun evening 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 CONSULTANTS LIMITED**

All Martlesham Heath home-owners become members of MCL when they buy their homes. The deeds of each house have a covenant to this effect, which should pass to the new owners whenever a house changes hands.

As a limited company run by local residents on a voluntary basis, MCL is able to own and manage the large areas of communal land and facilities within the village. This provides a safeguard against any possible future development of the open spaces within the estate.

When buying or selling a property on Martlesham Heath, and to ensure continuity of member-

ship, could members please note their obligation not to sell or otherwise transfer the property without requiring the purchaser to become a member of Martlesham Consultants Limited.

In addition whenever selling a property could they please advise the Administrative Secretary at the address below, prior to the completion of the sale.

6 The Square

[mcl.mh@btinternet.com](mailto:mcl.mh@btinternet.com)

#### **MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Registered charity no. 273769**

#### **JUMBLE SALE—3rd December**

Jumble is still required. Please ring Jackie Bear on 01473 623007 to arrange collection.

#### **MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 273769

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#### **FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT**

**ON THURSDAY 27TH OCTOBER**

IN

**ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH CENTRE,  
MARTLESHAM HEATH**

**AT 7:30PM**

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**TICKETS IN ADVANCE £2.00,  
£2.50 AT DOOR**

Tickets available from Jackie Bear on 01473 623007 or Maureen Burrows on 01473 625196.

Bring your own drinks but soft drinks, tea, coffee, etc., will be provided.

#### **MRS GLADYS HIGGINS**

We are very sorry to have to report the death of Mrs Gladys Higgins at the end of August.

Gladys was the widow of Harry Higgins, who was the Manager for The Bradford Property Trust at Martlesham Heath during the early years of the creation of the Village here. They were both heavily involved with the foundation of the social side of village life, as well as the actual housing side.

Harry, supported by Gladys, was a founder member of the Heath Social Club, which started Village Day and was the forerunner

of many other organizations, clubs and societies in the Village which are still in existence today.

Both Harry and Gladys will be remembered for the firm foundation of Village life which they helped to create here at Martlesham Heath. We, as residents of the Heath, will always be grateful to them for that.

Their name will live on in the Village in the form of "Higgins Place" and "The Harry Higgins Play Park"

Our thoughts and sympathy are with their family at this sad time.

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### **HARRY HIGGINS PLAY AREA**

The wooden fencing surrounding the play area is going to be replaced some time in November. While this is taking place, parents and carers are asked to ensure the safety of children while the old fence is being removed and the new steel railings are installed.

### **MARTLESHAM VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION**

Chairman: Stan Harris - tel: 01473 623427

Hon. Secretary: Linda Mitchell - tel: 01394 388577

The Autumn Show was well attended and enjoyed by all who came. The judge's comments were encouraging and they commended favourably on many entries.

Top of the points list was Cyril Watson who was awarded the Powling Cup, the Vegetable Cup and the Flower Cup. But we must not forget Brian Davey who took the Fruit Cup, Sylvia Harris the Rose bowl for cookery and well done to Jess Andrews for winning the senior cup in the children classes.

Bernard Ward extends his thanks to all those who helped in this his last and his previous five shows as our Show Secretary. Bernard is quoted as saying, 'It was all very interesting, I should have done it long before.'

A vote of thanks from the committee goes to Bernard for all his efforts and diligence and his imaginative ideas when consider-

ing the schedule of classes.

This of course, leaves a gap for **you** to step in. The next show is in the spring time and we have lots of expert guidance and support ready and waiting to support you in your new role. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

The speakers on the programme card for October are as follows:

- John Paton on the 14th October, with what promises to be an interesting talk on 'Exotic Trees'.

- John Coles on the 28th October will be speaking on Autumn Planting.

Future date for your diary - the AGM on 11th November.

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

Our Septemeber meeting started with the chairman Miss A Berg thanking everyone who had come to, or helped in anyway with, our August Indoor Garden Party which had raised £800 which will be divided equally between the St Elizabeth Hospice and the Childrens' Hospice. A splendid result.

Mrs Penny Stone then gave us a most interesting demonstartion entitled "Flowers Myths and Legends". With some Welsh and Irish ancestry she had a wealth of tales to tell. For Roman times of "Subrosa" a secret she used beautiful yellow roses. The legend of the "Green Man" was a green arrangement with sunflowers, bronze chrysanthemums and a red squirrel.

Next a "legend of fire" on an iron-work stand with bright red and orange flowers - very striking. For the legend of the "Arum" Mrs Stone used white stocks and green carnations in a "Welsh-hat" basket. Then followed a modern fan design with liatris and alstromerias.

The last was a small pedestal of ivy, silvered leaves in a bow and lilies.

The competition was won by Mrs A Fraser.

The club meets at St Michaels Church Centre, Martlesham Heath on the third Wednesday of each month at 2:30 pm. The annual sub is £10 with visitors welcome at £2 per session. There is a plant and flower

arrangers stall at each meeting.

The next meeting is on Wednesday October 19th with Mrs B Harrold presenting "Six of the Best". The competition will be "Take Six Flowers". All are welcome.

Mrs M Forbes 01394 382209

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

Mr Wilson, the speaker at the September meeting, gave a talk on his visit to Cameroon. Mr Wilson, a linguist, spent a year in Cameroon helping the people to become literate.

Apparently one year is not sufficient to achieve success in this project, four years at least are really needed. The Cameroon people live an extremely simple life with very little comfort and very little food but ar happy and appreciative of any help given. Mr Wilson's talk was extremely interesting and Mrs Burnell gave a warm vote of thanks.

The competition for a piece of African craft was well supported and won by Anne Bennett and Joan Locke.

At the next meeting on Friday 21st October at 7:30 pm in the Richard Room. Mr Parfitt will again be the speaker, and this time his subject will be "Crafts From Around the World".

Visitors and new members always welcome. Contact Mrs Betty Darke 01473 624193.

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

On the day England regained the Ashes, members of Martlesham Heath met for their September meeting. We had three visitors introduced by our President Kay Hall - Vi, June and Barbara. Welcome to you all.

After the business part of the meeting, we welcomed our speaker M S Gallup, a Blue Badge guide and also a guide for the National Trust. His subject on this occasion was Flatford and Constable Country. He showed us slides of many Constable paintings relating to the area, together with slides of the area as it is today. With two screens we were able to compare each with the other. John Constable went to Dedham school. His wealthy father owned barges and had a dry dock built at Flatford for their repair. Flatford Mill

ceased working in 1901 and with other timber framed buildings started to fall into disrepair.

The widow of a wealthy businessman, who had set about restoring the Mill and Flatford Manor in the 1930's, gave the properties to the National Trust in the 1960's. We were able to see some black and white photos from the early 1900's.

All the properties have been beautifully restored and are used through out the year by children and adults as it is run as a Field Study Centre. A very interesting and unusual evening cleverly bringing the past and present together.

Our next meeting is at The Pavilion on 10th October at 7:45 pm when we will hear about 'Fair Trade' from Mrs Sexton. Another interesting topic. See you there.  
Jean Penny 01473 626627  
Betty Dickinson 01473 624250

### **CHRISTMAS COMES EARLY TO THE COUNTRY MARKETS AT KESGRAVE & MARTLESHAM**

The market is open for the sale of home made cakes, savouries, ready meals and preserves on Saturdays from 10 am to 12 noon at the Kesgrave Scout H.Q. and Tuesdays from 9 to 10:30 am at the Pavilion on Martlesham Heath. There is also a range of good quality crafts, vegetables and plants. Home made refreshments are served at both venues.

From the beginning of October there will be a display of Christmas goods to order. These will include crafts and plants as well as the usual selection of traditional baked goods. Orders can be taken on the day or via the website [www.marketonthegreen.org](http://www.marketonthegreen.org)

For any further information please contact [marie@whinney89.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:marie@whinney89.freeserve.co.uk)

### **MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB**

Now the winter evenings are upon us, why not come and join our club? We have some really good speakers and we're a friendly group meeting every other Thursday in the **Richards Rooms at 7:30 pm** with tea/coffee and biscuits, plus a raffle and more at each meeting.

Details of the next few weeks are:-  
\*13.10 - The Cinnamon Trust (speaker: Tony Saunders)  
\*27.10 - Cycling Grannie (speaker: ? I wonder who that can be! Could it be your neighbour?)  
\*10.11 - Martlesham Community Responders  
\*24.11 - Talk and slides (speaker: Miss Jewell)  
\*08.12 - Christmas Party

If you are interested in coming along to one of our meetings, please contact me on **01394 380393**.

Margaret Green

### **MARTLESHAM HEATH BABY & TODDLER GROUP**

This month we've got some Autumnal and Halloween themes for the craft table. Phoenix Cards are visiting on 5th October (morning session) and 14th October (afternoon session). This is a great opportunity to buy some early Christmas cards and get cards/gift wrap ideas for other occasions, as well as helping with some fundraising for the Baby and Toddler group.

**A date for the diary:** The photographer will be visiting on the afternoon of Friday 11th November. More information on times will be available at the sessions.

If you fancy visiting one of our sessions we meet on a Wednesday and Friday in the Martlesham Pavilion from 9:30 am until 11:30 am and 1:30 pm until 3:30 pm. The first session is free and then it is £1.50, which includes refreshments for the children and adults.

We have lots of toys for the children to play with and music time. We welcome babies and toddlers. There is a separate baby area! It is an ideal opportunity to meet others whilst having a play and a coffee!

If you require any further information please contact me on 01473 611958. We look forward to meeting you...

Joanne Warren

### **THE MOTHER'S UNION**

Do you wonder who we are and what we do?

The Mothers' Union is a Christian organization with more than

three and a half million members in 76 countries worldwide.

Though our lives and our experience of the MU may differ widely depending on where we are, we are all joined together by our shared belief in the importance of family values.

We run projects and activities to encourage and support families in every day life, locally, nationally and internationally. The MU has volunteers all over the country who give their time to important initiatives in their local communities.

It is involved in campaigning and lobbying on a number of worldwide issues such as parental rights, international debt relief and child poverty. We are pleased to work in partnership with various organizations including the United Nations in which we have a representative.

Are you interested in finding out more? Come to one of our meetings. They are open to anyone who is interested. Our next is on Wednesday 5th October at St Michael's at 2:30 pm, or call me.

Elizabeth Corker 01394 210793

### **CALLING ALL MUMS...**

The next meeting of the Mums' Club will be held on Tuesday 4th October at St Michael's Church Centre from 12:45 to 2:30 pm. After lunch Nicola Thompson, veterinary nurse, will talk about 'Children and Pets'. All mums with babies and toddlers will be most welcome.

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

### **THREE BEARS PLAYGROUP**

Our topic this term is 'Food'. The children will have opportunities throughout the topic to observe the changes that occur during the cooking process. We will spend much of the topic finding out about, tasting and cooking a range of foods from around the world, together with investigating the foods that are traditionally eaten at a range of multi-cultural festivals.

The children will also be given opportunities to find out about the practicalities of buying and selling food, together with

investigating the purpose of bar-codes and money.

If you wish to receive a copy of our Prospectus and Registration Form, or require further details about our Playgroup, please contact me on 01473 635944.  
Elizabeth Leonard, Chairperson

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

Our theme for this term is 'ALL ABOUT ME'. Role play will include opticians, kitchens and vets surgery. Activities will include sponge painting, finger puppets and iced biscuits. We will also be making fruit salad and will be having a day collecting bugs.

The pre-school ran a stall on Village Day and we managed to raise £107 for the group. A big thank you to everyone who helped and supported us on the day.

Last term the children took part in our annual sponsored Tigger Bounce. Through this the children managed to raise £275.30. Well done!

Due to popular demand, we are having another ladies' evening on Thursday 3rd November. Further details will follow nearer the time.

The pre-school has booked the Tempest photographer to come and visit on Friday 21st 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 will be from Monday 24th - Friday 28th October.

The pre-school committee are in urgent need of members. You do not have to have a child at the pre-school to be a member. If you have a few hours to spare each month and would like to get involved with running the pre-school please contact Ruth on 01473 623909.

We currently have spaces available for children from 2 ½ years old. If you are interested in sending your child to our pre-school and would like more information, contact our Booking Secretary Louise Vincent on 07875602129.

Nicola Buck

### **NEWS FROM BIRCHWOOD** **PRIMARY SCHOOL**

The start of the new academic year is always busy, and this term has been no exception. We have welcomed twenty-three new children into our Foundation Stage and a few new children elsewhere in the school. Myself, Mrs Bell and Miss Severn are taking Year Six off to Norfolk in October; we do hope the weather is kind to us! Our computer suite is finally coming together and we are awaiting delivery of fifteen new computers as I write this. All teachers now have an interactive whiteboard in their classroom and each class have their own digital blue hand held video camera to use.

Last term ended on a real high with our years Five and Six putting on a wonderful production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' and the Leavers' Assembly leaving many staff, children and parents dewy eyed. We were also extremely pleased with our Year Six's achievements in their SATS; there was an incredible 45% gain in our writing results. 100% of the children achieved Level 4 in Science and a staggering 85% achieved Level 5. We were very pleased!

I had a memorable summer holiday. I got married on August 13th, the weather was awful but the day fantastic. So I have returned as Mrs Frost.

If you are starting to think about your child starting school next September and you would like to come and visit us, please contact the school office (01473 610701) to make an appointment. I will be pleased to show you around our school.

Jacqui Frost (was Lomas)  
Headteacher

### **GORSELAND SCHOOL P.F.A.**

Work on the new Key Stage 1 extension and Nursery has progressed very well with the majority of the exterior completed. Focus has now moved to the interior and the re-modelling of other parts of the school.

Our Annual General Meeting took place on 15th September and,

as always, we are most grateful to the staff and parents who donate their time to this. It was nice to see some new faces. The following form the Committee and are Trustees:

- \* President Alison Davies (Headteacher)
- \* Chairman Charles Rayworth
- \* Vice-Chair Andrew Steele
- \* Secretary Elizabeth Leonard
- \* Treasurer Vivienne Midwinter
- \* Sue Murphy
- \* Darren Johnson
- \* Andrew Steward

Last month we also held a Children's Disco for years 3-6. This month we hope to have our Countdown to Curry night; an evening to get to grips with your vowels and consonants and untangle a conundrum with a curry to provide sustenance!!

### **Back by Popular Demand** **Evening of Clairvoyance**

**Friday 11th November**  
with well-known international  
medium

**Fiona Nichols**  
plus  
*Alexia Green*

### **Martlesham Community Centre**

7:30 pm start

Raffle/Refreshments

Tickets **£5** in advance  
(**£6** on door - if availability)

Contact: **Lisa 01473 631087**  
**Tanya 01394 420477**  
**Sue 01394 386940 (eve)**  
**All Proceeds to Martlesham**  
**Beacon Hill Pool and Gymnastics**  
**in Ipswich**

### **THE ROUNDABOUT DAY** **NURSERY**

It doesn't seem possible that three months has past since the Roundabout Day Nursery in Kesgrave opened on 9th June this year. As each week goes by we welcome more children and their families to the Nursery.

At the Nursery we enhance the children's learning and development through monthly topics and so far we have covered Animals, Journeys and Ourselves. This month the

children will be kept busy with activities on the theme of patterns. We will be covering patterns in nature – leaf printing and looking at seasonal changes and how this affects our plants. We will be looking at patterns in animal life and making masks, bumble bees and ladybirds. The children will have the opportunity to make their own wallpaper and explore patterns in music and rhymes.

We have just introduced a PE session each week to enable children to develop their physical development further but also to help them become more independent in changing their clothes, preparing them for when they go to school. Children are encouraged to bring in a pair of shorts and T-Shirt to change into. The children also have the opportunity for cooking each week, so their parents may go home with a few surprises.

Visits are most welcome to the Nursery in Kesgrave just off the main road adjacent to the Church. If you would like more information about The Roundabout Nursery please contact Lavone Smith on **01473 333733**.

### **MARTLESHAM WIVES GROUP**

Next meeting:

Monday 17th October 8:15 pm

**"Stories of Everyday Life in Turkey"**

Talk by the English wife of Mustafa.  
Venue: Laura - 57 Westland,  
01473 620046.

Phone Jenny (01473 626253) for details.

### **MARTLESHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

In the week of the bi-centenary of the Battle of Trafalgar, the October meeting on Monday 17th will consist of an illustrated talk entitled "Horatio, Viscount Nelson". The speaker will be Mr Leslie Cole of the Norfolk Nelson Museum and the meeting will start at 8 pm in The Pavilion.

Admission is £1 and all are welcome.

John Tyler 01473 612736

**HPB Productions Presents...**

### **"CONCERT with VOICE, PIANO, VIOLIN & TROMBONE"**

**3 pm SUNDAY 2ND OCTOBER**

at

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

### **RAFFLE IN AID OF 'MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY RESPONPERS'**

(Reg. Charity No. 1077265)

**Admission on the door: £5 & £4**  
**Concessions**  
Light refreshments

More information from:

**Burrows tel: 01473 625196**

#### **PERFORMERS:**

**Helen Burrows (Violin & Piano-forte)**

A graduate of Colchester Institute. She has been a church organist at Hollesley for 14 years, produces musical shows/concerts locally and has composed a variety of works. Helen teaches violin, piano, viola and singing.

**Michael Jewell (Voice)**

Michael sings regularly with the Ipswich Operatic & Dramatic Society and the Britten-Pears Chamber Choir. He has also been a guest soloist with a variety of other local choirs.

**Kate Jewell (Pianoforte)**

As well as accompanying soloists, Kate is a rehearsal pianist for various local drama groups, principally Stowmarket Operatic & Dramatic Society.

**Lyn Rajah (Trombone)**

Lyn is a former graduate of Colchester Institute and former member of the Essex Youth Orchestra. Lyn has played for the Holbrook Choral Society Orchestra and a variety of bands in London.

#### **POPPY APPEAL 2005**

It's that time of the year again—the Poppy Appeal Collection will be from Saturday 29th October until Saturday 12th November. I am short of house-to-house collectors in

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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**

Good news or bad I am not sure. Some people obviously read these missives because I am in the mire for not letting you know the glow worm count on our Saturday night survey. Putting this omission right, we counted a grand total of 66, which comprised of 65 females and 1 male. Good odds you might think, but the females are the only ones that glow so spotting the males is much more difficult.

We are investigating the setting up of a Nature Watch group of 5 – 12 year olds (plus parents). To help us to purchase more equipment for this and surveying wildlife, we will organise a book sale on the 10th December to raise more funds. If anyone has books surplus to requirements that we could sell in a good cause, we would be grateful if you could contact any Committee member.

By the time you read this the September workday will have taken place and more work on the wildlife pond and path maintenance should have taken place. Work on the pond is on schedule and hopefully it will be ready to accept the winter rains, and be opened officially at the start of Spring. I hope I have not ushered in too dry a winter!

Our next workday is Sunday the 16th October, meeting at 10 o'clock at the Force HQ Sports field gate on the perimeter track near to Portal Avenue, and as always all volunteers are welcome.

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

01473 612632.

**MARTLESHAM  
CONSERVATION GROUP**

Our work party on Sunday September 11th was cancelled due to the poor weather, and so we were unable to cut the grassy glade in the woodland on that occasion and had to re-schedule to the following weekend. We managed to complete the task mostly on Saturday with a little finishing off on Sunday. Thanks for all the words of encouragement from the passers by. It is nice to know that our efforts are appreciated. There were plenty of frogs in evidence as we raked off the grass. It is good to know that we are providing a suitable habitat for these amphibians and other wildlife, especially as amphibians have been declining worldwide.

Our next work party will be on Sunday 9th October. We will be working on the Martlesham Heath SSSI on the western corridor attempting to produce some better conditions so as to favour heather growth. Please meet outside the Douglas Bader at 10 am or phone to find out where we will be working. Everyone is welcome, no previous experience is necessary, all tools and equipment will be provided. Please come along and help our local wildlife.

Phil Smith 01473 625630 and Steve Goddard - [steve@goddard98.freereserve.co.uk](mailto:steve@goddard98.freereserve.co.uk)

**SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST**

We have a street collection taking place in Woodbridge on the morning of Saturday 15th October. If you happen to see us please make a donation, or if you are able to help us please give me a call. We are always in need of volunteers.

Our first indoor meeting of the autumn will be on Thursday 20th October at 7:30 pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall. Richard Brooks will present an illustrated talk on "Birdwatching on the Island of Lesbos".

Our next indoor meeting of the autumn will be on Thursday 24th November at 7:30 pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall when Mike Toms of the BTO will be telling

us about the results of the BTO Garden Birdwatch.

Admission is still only £1.50  
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**MARTLESHAM BOWLS CLUB**

The green closed a week later than usual to enable a back log of matches to be played. Let's hope the matches have now been played.

Saturday 17th September had the promise of being a real "Indian Summer" and so it turned out. The Coronation Cup was played having been rained off earlier. Twenty bowlers played and it was won by Mary Marsh with 35 points, with Linda Brown with 34 and Dennis with 33 - a close game. Brian Davey organized a perfect afternoon. Thanks Brain and all your helpers for the excellent green. Afterwards, Mary and Linda provided a Fish and Chip supper for twenty-six diners. Thanks were expressed to Mary and Linda, as well as the ladies and gentlemen who helped to make the day a success.

The A.G.M. will be held in the Club's Pavilion on Saturday 19th November at 10:30 am. The formal notice and agenda is on the notice board. If you want to propose someone to stand for office or committee, get their agreement and a seconder, and fill the form. The agenda will have the usual headings, not forgetting 'Any Other Business'.

Last orders for the Club's Dinner, on Saturday 17th October, are due now to Brian.

The next committee meeting will be held in the Club Pavilion on 10th October at 10:30 am.

Linda our secretary can supply any more information you may require. Her telephone number is 01394 384698.

Jack Cot

**MARTLESHAM CARPET BOWLS CLUB**

Our away match on 17th August against Stratford St Mary was lost by us 4-6, but not for want of trying!

Also our friendly home match on 19th August against Tuddenham

was lost 2-8 but still a good atmosphere to the evening.

On Sunday 20th August two entires from our club took part in Stutton's annual charity match at the Royal Hospital School, Holbrook. Then on Sunday 11th September a team represented Martlesham in Tattingstone's annual charity match in aid of "Headway" when over £360 was raised.

The last match of the summer season at home against Nayland on 23rd August was a rewarding 10-0 win to us. This means we actually came 2nd in the summer league, Nayland being top.

Then again we beat Harkstead at home on 6th September in a friendly match, the score being 8-2 to us.

Please keep an eye on our notice board regarding club competitions coming up and get names entered by the closing date.

The first match in the winter league is away at Tithe Barn on 21st September, so best of luck for the coming season.

For those members absent through illness we wish you all well and look forward to seeing you back with us soon.

Please note and remember the Friday afternoon social bowling sessions commence at 1:45 pm on 7th October.

Chris Chamberlain

**VILLAGE VIEWS**

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

**COUNCIL'S COLLISION COURSE!**

We are amazed and horrified by the sheer stupidity of the new road markings and signs on the Felixstowe Road. We wholeheartedly agree with road safety concerns, especially for cyclists. However this is not the solution. Car traffic on Felixstowe Road far exceeds the number of cyclists who are visible by their almost complete absence over most of the day. In fact there are more cyclists on other narrow and country roads than here all over the country and cars manage to avoid them pretty successfully.

The initial idea might have seemed good but the hazards it causes by psychologically forcing motorists to keep to the centre of the road is so dangerous it should have been discarded immediately. Motorists will naturally keep well out on narrow roads and pull in when passing but this new single lane is bound to cause a serious head-on collision sooner or later. We have already seen cars driving along without thinking and have to swerve to avoid oncoming vehicles - two lane traffic is the norm on this road and will always be as it is the most obvious direct route between Martlesham Heath and Martlesham, avoiding the nearly as dangerous roundabout by the badly placed Park and Ride. Turning right from Martlesham Heath into Martlesham is almost impossible due to the traffic flow and the short and acutely angled lane before the traffic lights (then at Red) which holds typically only 2 cars!

If a cycle path was considered worth adding then it could and should have been done by widening the road, not by trading cycling safety for car collisions. Over most of this road widening would have been simple as there are large grass verges. The remaining short part near old Martlesham would have been more difficult to widen but a cycle track could have been put behind the hedge to avoid damaging the environment and give increased safety to cyclists. The current solution does not actually make cyclists safer!

Please change this road's markings before there is a serious accident. I suggest anyone involved in such an accident would have good grounds to sue the council for deliberately endangering road users. After all, the current lane markings are identical in principle to the three lane roads with centre lane for overtaking which have been abandoned due to the high level of accidents.

Gordon Hathaway

### **KESGRAVE TOWN FIREWORKS DISPLAY**

Don't forget to get your tickets for this year's firework display, which

will be held at Kesgrave Community Centre on Saturday 5th November. This will be the fourth display organised jointly between the Scouts and the PFA's of the local primary schools; Heath, Cedarwood and Gorseland.

The gates will open at 5 pm, and the fireworks display will be about 6:30 pm. The fireworks will be let off professionally by the "The Firework Emporium" on Foxhall Road and the display is going to cost £3,000. Stalls may also be run by any local organisation to raise funds for themselves. Please contact Celia Comber (01473 622185) for details.

Tickets will be limited. The last admission will be at 6:15 pm, then the gates will be closed until after the display. Access to the event will be on foot only via the gates at the main entrance and on the bus lane. There will be no car parking available at the Community Centre except for disabled persons and only via Bell Lane. The overflow car park and the entrance off Ropes Drive may still be closed due to the building work.

Before the day tickets will be £4 per person or £15 for a family of 4 and include a hot dog or burger. Tickets without food will also be available at £3.50 per person or £13 for a family of 4. On the day, any remaining tickets will be £4 without food and will only be available at the bus lane entrance at the front of the community centre.

After 1st October tickets will be available from Christine's Pantry at Penzance Road Post Office, 2nd Stop Shop, Beechwood Stores and the Firework Emporium. The Primary Schools will also be sending home letters to enable tickets to be purchased from the PFA's. The profits from the event will be split equally between the Scouts and the Primary Schools involved. Last year each organisation received £1,244 towards their funds. Kesgrave Town Firework Night Committee

### **KESGRAVE AND DISTRICT YOUTH FORUM**

We are proud to present the

Grand Opening of the drop-in centre at Kesgrave Youth Centre on Tuesday 4th October at 7:30 pm.

There will be a short but official opening ceremony but mainly this is an evening for young people and we would like to see as many young people as possible.

This will be a fun evening to celebrate the start of a new beginning.

Many individuals, old and young, and agencies have worked hard to make this happen. A big "THANK YOU" is sent to everyone.

The summer games, held in partnership with SCDC, attracted many young people and was a great success. A mobile skate park was also provided and well used.

As more facilities are provided for young people we need more expertise in areas such as funding, contracts and providing information for young people on life skills generally.

Do you have a skill or a hobby or passion you would like to share? The forum is a volunteer organisation and the bigger our skills base, the better for our young people.

Young people are our future and if we want them to think of their future community we must make them feel as if they are part of our present community.

They are enthusiastic, energetic and keen to take ideas forward. Our young have shown that they are mature enough to be part of our interview panel but still keep a sense of fun. Working with them is an education in itself.

If you would like to be part of this exciting experience please contact Joyce Beale on 01394 387496 or e-mail [joyce@bealej.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:joyce@bealej.fsnet.co.uk).

### **HALLOWEEN DISCO**

There will be a Lowbiza event on the 26th October at Kesgrave Community Centre 7:30-11 pm, a Halloween disco for under 18s. Tickets cost £3 and can be bought from Kesgrave drop-in and Kesgrave Youth Club, Rochford House and Just 42 from Woodbridge and Kesgrave High. Tickets still being printed but hope to be available in the next two weeks. Tickets bought



on the night will be £4. As theme of event is 'alcohol awareness' there will be a quiz. Julia Catterwell, Substance Misuse Officer

### **HOLY FAMILY & ST MICHAEL**

Holy Family & Saint Michael on the main A1214 is the Catholic Chapel serving Martlesham and Kesgrave. It is part of the parish of Saint Mary in Ipswich.

Events in October are scheduled to include an open meeting at the "Holy Family", a day of reflection and a series of talks for those who want to discover more about their Christian faith and for adults considering becoming members of the Catholic Church.

If you would like to be kept informed of services and activities ask to receive a regular copy of the weekly parish newsletter and monthly parish magazine by telephoning the Presbytery on 01473 728115

Regular 'Sunday' Masses at the Holy Family are celebrated at 6 pm on Saturdays and 9:15 am on Sundays. Weekday masses are normally on Wednesdays and Fridays at 10 am.

### **BRIGHTWELL CHURCH**

What a glorious weekend we had for our Flower Festival over the Bank Holiday which meant that we were able to welcome many visitors to the Church to see the flowers so beautifully arranged by the ladies. Refreshments were served in the Church Hall and good fare was had by all. We must thank everyone who helped either with the flowers or as stewards at the Church or with preparing and serving refreshments at the Hall. On the Friday evening we were treated to a very enjoyable concert by the Martlesham Christian Fellowship male voices under the leadership of David Faulkner. The singing was complimented by poetry read by Roger Newson and four of the flower arrangers gave a brief talk on their respective arrangements. The PCC are very grateful to all who supported us over the weekend and we are pleased to report that we were able to raise over £1000 for our funds. October will be somewhat quieter but we are looking forward

to celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Church Hall on 18th November of which more detail later.

Geoff Lambert, PCC Secretary

### **BRIGHT STARS**

Our services this month are on **Monday 10th and Monday 31st October** at 10:30 am in St Michael's Church Centre. **Please note that because of half-term we are having a service on the fifth Monday this month.**

Bright Stars is a short service designed to make children's worship fun and exciting. We welcome all pre-school children and their carers to our services which are held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, during term time. We meet at 10:30 am in St Michael's Church Centre. There is a chance to meet for refreshments and a chat after the service, which lasts about half an hour.

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

### **MARTLESHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

**Black Tiles Lane**

**The new Sunday Service times will be continuing this month.**

10 am - Family Worship

11:45 am - Communion

**Sunday 30th**

10 am - Family Service with combined Communion

As well as these services we run the following weekday activities.

**TUESDAY CIRCLE:**

11th October: 2 pm

"Cooking with Fish"

HOUSEGROUPS for prayer, Bible study and fellowship take place weekly on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

TODDLER GROUP - 10 am every Thursday.

YOUTH GROUP - 7 pm every Thursday.

**MUNCH BUNCH:**

**6:30 pm Sundays** - a chance for the 14+ age group to explore the Christian faith and its relevance to their lives.

In addition to the meetings

listed above there are other opportunities for prayer, Bible study or simply exploring what Christianity means.

### **BARN DANCE 8th October at Bredfield Village Hall**

Proceeds in aid of Chengelo School, Zambia.

You can find out more details about what we believe and our monthly programme in various ways:

\* Visit us at a service or activity

\* Visit the website at [www.m-c-f.org](http://www.m-c-f.org)

\* Telephone Julia Faulkner on 01473 625482 or John Mellen on 01473 624401

### **THOUGHTS FROM YOUR PARISH CHURCH**

If I were to ask you what Reed Richards, Susan Storm, Ben Grimm and Johnny Storm have in common, I wonder what you would say? Well, they are all members of the 'Fantastic Four' and are as such fictional comic book heroes. We have been bombarded with films at the cinema this year, which have as their theme comic book heroes.

We took this theme of 'Heroes' as the theme of our children's Holiday Club in August. Our Holiday Club is a joint venture between the Martlesham Parish and Martlesham Christian Fellowship. It is a four-day event of; activity, songs, games, stories, craft and team events for children between the ages of five and eleven. This year we held it at St Michael's Church on Martlesham Heath from 10 am to 12 noon each day.

In our theme we looked at different children who 'made a difference' in the stories of the bible. And in each case the children were heroes because they used what little resources they had, trusted God and did what they knew was right and helpful for those around them. The message to the children in our Holiday Club was that they can be heroes, by doing what is right and lovingly helping those around them. That is what God is calling us all to do; in his love for us he calls us to love others.

Revd. Ian Naylor

## THE CHURCH IN MARTLESHAM & BRIGHTWELL

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GOD'S  
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Services for the Month	Brightwell St. John's	Martlesham St. Mary's	Martlesham Heath St. Michael's
Sunday 2nd October Trinity 19	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion BCP Harvest Festival	9:45am All Age Worship 6:30pm Informal Worship
Sunday 9th October Trinity 20	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion & Sunday School
Sunday 16th October Trinity 21 St Luke	8am Holy Communion	11am Family Holy Communion	9:45am Worship & Sunday School 6:30pm Informal Worship
Sunday 23rd October Trinity 22 Bible Sunday	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion
Sunday 30th October 4th before Advent All Saints	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion
Sunday 6th November 3rd 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 10th October and Monday 31st October at 10:30am in St Michael's Church Centre. Mums' Club will meet on Tuesday 4th October at 12:45pm to 2:30pm in St Michael's Church Centre. All mums with their babies and toddlers welcome. A warm welcome awaits you at all our services.

### PRAYER DIARY FOR OCTOBER

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

8 for our neighbours

9 for all who mourn

10 open all hearts Lord, teach us to respect one another

11 for all grandparents

12 for all at the lunch club

13 for residents of Holfen Close

14 for the sick and suffering

15 for all employed in the parishes of Martlesham and Brightwell

16 for the sightless and nearsighted

17 for the eradication of poverty

18 for justice in the world

19 for the residents of Holly End

20 for the Parish Council

21 for Christians that are persecuted

22 for world reconciliation

23 give thanks for God's gift of the bible

24 for people of other faiths

25 for our friends and families

26 for the residents of Horseman Court

27 for parents of teenagers

28 for the MU prayer and spirituality day at St Michael's

29 for children with no parents

30 for single parents

31 we give thanks for the faith and work of Martin Luther

**NOV** 1 give thanks for past and present day Saints

2 we remember all the faithful departed

3 for all the residents of Hunters Ride

4 for all housebound and infirm

5 for safety at all Guy Fawkes events

6 we remember all who gave their lives for their country