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MARTLESHAM MONTHLY MAMMALS

August :-Stoat (*Mustela erminea*) The stoat
can be distinguished from a weasel by the
black tip to the end of the tail, being larger
and having a swept coat pattern on its
flanks between the brown and white coat .
They have been found In the Portal
Woodlands living amongst the old
revetments

COMMUNITY RESPONDERS

Martlesham Community Responders are a
group of 7 volunteers (funded entirely by
donations) who are trained to provide first
aid and resuscitation skills. We provide a
first response to most 999 calls received
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Martlesham, Martlesham Heath,
Waldringfield, Newbourne and Brightwell, in
support of and until the arrival of an
emergency ambulance.

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MARTLESHAM HEATH HOUSEHOLDERS LTD

If you are reading this, could I ask you to have a walk outside your property and look
at the boundaries to see if any of your plants or trees are overhanging in such a way
as to impede the ability of people to walk past without having to duck or move on to
the grassed areas. If there is a problem could you please deal with it. The
Householder is responsible for the whole property, including the garden.

On July 13th the Anglia in Bloom judges will have visited the village and looked in
particular at the Green, Western Corridor, Drought Garden and School project
amongst other things. The village usually achieves at least silver gilt level award and
the Portal Avenue woods received a gold award in the past for its conservation work.

Someone has dumped three piles of dirt, grass and some paper and cardboard
rubbish in the entrance to the woodland opposite Bradford Court. This is one of
those things that happens now and again and every time MHHL point out that it is
unsightly, illegal and irresponsible. The woodland should be a poor soil environment
for wild plants to grow and any rubbish can enrich or pollute soil. It is only the
minority who do this sort of thing and we can only put it down to ignorance, laziness
or arrogance.

If you notice anyone taking sacks or wheeling a wheelbarrow into the woods or onto
the SSSI please give MHHL a call or email with any information you might have so
that we can stop this sort of thing happening.

There are issues again with some large trees around the village needing attention. If
you have brought tree problems to our attention they will receive an assessment at
some time but we are very short of Directors and cannot necessarily make a visit as
soon as we receive a call.

Our next Board Meeting is on 15th August at 7.30pm St Michael's Church Centre.
Email MHH@martlesham.org.uk Phone 01473 612207. Write to PO Box 897,

MARTLESHAM MONTHLY LEAFLETS

Your business, or club's forthcoming
event, etc. can be advertised as a leaflet
inserted in an issue of the Martlesham
Monthly.

For the cost of only £20 you can reach
2850 households and businesses in
Martlesham, Martlesham Heath, and
Brightwell.

The printed leaflets should preferably be
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distribution by the 20th of the preceding
month.

As a general rule only 3 different leaflets
can be accepted per issue. Insertion
slots are in great demand and should be
booked at least two months in advance
to prevent disappointment.

James Barter, 01473 625384.

E-mail:- barterjw@btinternet.com

POLICE

Community Police Officer

PC 651 Richard Wright

In case of emergencies please always
call 999. In non-emergency situations
call the main switchboard on 01473
613500; you can also contact PC Wright
on the following numbers for non-urgent
matters:

Office: 01473 334980

E-mail:

richard.wright@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Vacancy for a Parish Councillor

Following our uncontested elections in May the Parish Council is in a position to co-opt a councillor so if you thought of standing but didn't get round to it there is still an opportunity at our September meeting! Please contact the Clerk for further details.

Projects and 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 Clerk (details below) for an application form, to be completed and returned to the Parish Council by Monday 17 October 2011. These grants are awarded for the financial year 2012/13 and the funds will be issued in May 2012. Any group with a project requiring Parish Council support/funding should also submit their project details and business plan by 17 October 2011 at the latest.

Suffolk Coastal District Council Local Development Framework

The District Council announced the dates of its Cabinet and full Council meetings in July to consider a Reviewed Core Strategy Update. As we go to press the Cabinet meeting unanimously agreed to recommend to the full Council that the Reviewed Core Strategy be submitted for examination. Whilst there were minor changes in the document the Cabinet were satisfied that the

proposed strategic housing growth east of the A12 can be achieved without adverse effect to the nature conservation interests of the area.

The full District Council meets on 27th July to consider final submission of the LDF and the papers for the meeting including the subsequent minutes will be found on the Suffolk Coastal District Council Web site.

BMX Project

Following a public consultation, which showed over 90% support for the provision of a BMX track in Martlesham, the Parish Council agreed at its meeting on 6 July 2011 to site a new track on the Jubilee Playspace, accessed from Main Road. The Project Group is very aware of some residents' concerns and measures will be taken to address them. It is working with the Police on the project.

Thatched properties in Martlesham

Suffolk Fire & Rescue are compiling a 'thatch register' of all properties in the county with a thatched roof. The number of thatch fires has increased in Suffolk and they wish to help owners and residents by providing information to reduce the risk of fire. It will also be helpful information for the control room if they have to attend an incident. Only addresses of properties are required, not personal details. The Council has identified 3 properties: Martlesham Antiques, the Roundhouse, Church

Lane, and Thatched Farm, Waldringfield Road. If you are aware of any other thatched properties within the parish please contact the Clerk below who will pass the address on to Suffolk Fire & Rescue.

Forthcoming meetings:

No full Parish Council meeting in August
Development Plans Committee – 10 August 2011

Parish Council – 7 September 2011
Recreation & Amenities Committee – 14 September 2011

All meetings start at 7.30pm 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

Clerk to Martlesham Parish Council,
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Martlesham, Woodbridge IP12 4PB
01473 612632

e-mail: clerk@martleshamcouncil.org.uk

website:

www.martlesham.suffolk.gov.uk for latest news & events

Parish Office opening times: 9am – 12noon, Mon – Fri, excluding public holidays, but please book an appointment in advance.

SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

is introducing intelligent street lighting in your area.

Contractors working on behalf of the county council will soon be seen installing an 'intelligent street lighting system' to control the street lights around Martlesham. The system which will be active from 19 March, will allow the council to switch off some street lights, dim some or leave them on remotely.

The lights will have fully adjustable settings, which means that settings can be altered for different days of the week, take account of British Summertime, or set street lights to stay on for longer e.g. for events or at Christmas.

All street lights owned by the county council that are six metres in height or below are to be switched off between the hours of midnight and 5:30am.

The council will be using the following criteria to consider whether lights should be kept on for a longer period:

Lights at major junctions/roundabouts

In town centres with CCTV, high security businesses e.g. banks, areas of high night time pedestrian usage, for example near nightclubs and train stations, outside community facilities or leisure centres

Areas where street lights are needed to reduce road accidents

Areas where there could be an increase in crime through reduced lighting, e.g. pubs and specific residential areas.

Remote alleys linking residential streets
Near pedestrian crossings, footbridges, subways

In public car parks

At bus stops

At level crossings, speed humps and traffic lights

Where there is sheltered housing for the elderly

The decision about which street lights to keep on and which should be switched off has been made in consultation with local town and parish councils, Suffolk police and your local county councillors. The county council is moving to this new system in order to save money, it is estimated that the council will save £550,000 a year in energy bills and to save carbon.

For more information, visit www.suffolk.gov.uk/streetlighting. You can also email streetlighting@suffolk.gov.uk or call 01473 264067/ 4915

CHRIS BLUNDEL'S COUNCILLOR REPORT AUGUST 2011

The Local Development Framework: Core Strategy.

The final Cabinet and full Council meeting dates of 9th July and Wednesday 27th July 2011 respectfully to determine the LDF Core Strategy were not announced until after the deadline for the July magazine publication had passed which was unfortunate. By the time you read this at the end of July it is most likely that the Core Strategy will have been approved by Council and will be in preparation for onward transmission to the Government Inspector for final approval. The next stages in the LDF program are the Area Action Plans (AAP) and the Site Specific Proposals (SSP). Martlesham is one of the five areas currently selected as an AAP along with Felixstowe and three others.

Further developments at Suffolk Coastal DC

To continue the process of increased efficiency the council has agreed to reduce the number of formal full council meetings from 11 to 7 per annum and use the remaining 4 as both briefing and training sessions for both councillors and others. How this will work out in practice remains to be seen but the officers have made a good start. Also the start time for the full council meetings has been brought forward to 7.00pm and 6.30pm for all other evening meetings. Some committees will continue to meet in the daytime such as Licensing and Development Control. I have been asked to serve on the Grants Task Group, the highly influential Development Policy Task Group and to be available as a first reserve member of the Development Control Committee. The total number of sub-committees has been reduced. The Green Issues and the Information Technology sub-Committees have been absorbed into the Development Policy Task Group so I will still be taking a personal interest in green issues that have become so important of late.

The Police Investigation Centre

The centre opened for business on the 10th June 2011 and at the time of writing I have learned of no adverse problems, however, should any arise I would be pleased to hear about them. If you would like to discuss any of the above items or other local matters with me, you can do so either by phone on 01473 622716 or by e-mail to chris.blundell@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk. Alternatively, please join me for a chat

and a 'cuppa' at St. Michael's Church hall on Monday 8th August 2011 between 10.00am and 12.00noon. (The 1st Aug. is a bank Holiday)

JOHN KELSO'S DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT AUGUST 2011

Suffolk Coastal Cabinet Meeting

The Cabinet meeting held at Trinity Park on Friday 8th July provided no new concessions on the location of new housing in the Councils Local Development Framework (LDF) Core strategy. Despite the strength of arguments put forward by myself and other local Councillors, plus, the letter sent from No Adastral New Towns (NANTs) solicitor advising of serious discrepancies and inaccuracies contained in the Councils document and advising the Council that NANT may apply for a Judicial Review if these errors are not corrected before adoption of the LDF. At the time of writing this report we still have the opportunity to try and convince the Full Council meeting (due to be held 27th July) that the location proposed for 2,000 new houses adjacent to the Deben Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) is the wrong one and that the whole of the Suffolk Coastal area would be better served by the housing numbers being distributed more evenly amongst all of our communities each one taking its fair share. I will report on the Full Councils decision in the September edition.

Planning Application to Extend Hunters Ride Farriers Close

At last some good news for Martlesham residents. The latest information that I have received regarding the planning application to extend the flats at Hunters Ride, Farriers Close is that officers were minded to refuse permission, so the applicant has withdrawn the plans but will be contesting the Tree Preservation Order that has been issued by Suffolk Coastal and may possibly make a revised application sometime within the next twelve months. I will be keeping the situation under review and will advise of any updates as and when they occur.

Bloor Homes Planning Application

At the time of writing the Council is still awaiting for the amended plans to develop Mr Pipe's field and Mill Farm to arrive from Bloor Homes. When the plans are received they will be reissued for consultation. The advice that I have been given by officers is that it is unlikely to go to Committee until September at the earliest. I will of course keep residents advised of any progress.

BT Planning Application

A new Planning Officer has been

employed by Suffolk Coastal to replace Paul Coffey to specifically work on the BT application and to present a report to The Development Control Committee. I am advised by Phil Ridley, Head of Planning that this is not likely to happen until September at the earliest. But please check out www.noadastralnewtown.com and www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk as well as Parish Council noticeboards for the most up to date information.

The New Police Investigation Centre

Thanks to those who responded to my request for information on any issues or concerns they may have arising from the activities at this facility. Please continue to update me.

I am available via telephone 01473 631682 or email

john.kelso@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk

John Kelso District Councillor
Martlesham Ward

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM

The cycles of anti-social behaviour

Three things usually rise during the summer months; the amount of sunshine, the temperature, and from a police perspective, the number of anti-social behaviour incidents reported to us. Unfortunately, this summer we add a fourth rise; the number of insecure cycles being stolen.

Firstly though, I want to draw your attention to one particular area where anti-social behaviour is causing particular harassment, alarm and distress. What's even worse though is that it's risking the very lives of children, and that is totally and wholly unacceptable. I am referring to the shopping plaza on Broadlands Way in Rushmere St Andrew.

Most concerning here are the vehicles which are mounting the footpath and using the plaza as a short cut between Broadlands Way and Brendon Drive. These inconsiderate and thoughtless motorists are driving within inches of the Just Learning nursery front door just to shave five minutes off their journey time. The message to you is STOP! It's an offence, it's unsafe, it's unacceptable and it's likely to end in serious injury or something even worse! If you are seen doing this you can expect to be dealt with robustly.

The Kesgrave and District Safer Neighbourhood Team has been working very hard to try and educate cycle owners on the need to lock their bikes wherever they are left unattended and for no matter how short a period. The message has clearly not got across though and cycles are still being stolen

All mums, babies and toddlers are invited to join us at the
DRINKS and DRIBBLES BABY CAFÉ

AT

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

on

the first and third Thursday of each month

(starting in August)

between 10 a.m. and 12 noon.

Tea/coffee/cold drinks Toys
Friendship

The Drop-in for the 'Buggy-Brigade'

needlessly. We regularly see unlocked cycles thrown on the ground outside shops or dropped in front gardens.

We hear it time again – "I've only been in the shop two minutes". So how long does it take to steal a cycle if it's left unlocked? The answer - less time than it's taken you to read the question! If you 'advertise' your cycle as unlocked by leaving the lock secured around the handlebars or frame, then you might just as well put up a sign saying 'insecure'. Cycles also get stolen from insecure garages and other buildings. These crimes are avoidable and that is now recognised by some insurance companies who will now not pay out if insecurities like this have been a factor in the crime. Can you afford that loss? Quality cycle locks and other security items are available for sale from your local safer neighbourhood team.

The primary role of a Police Community Support Officer is high visibility patrols. This is one of the ways in which we meet you to discuss issues affecting you and where we deal with those issues with our partner agencies to improve the quality of life for everyone. We want to be out and about doing this every minute that we are on duty, but we often find ourselves out of service dealing with anti-social behaviour in the plaza or with taking crime reports for stolen insecure cycles.

So please, let's lock up our cycles and lock down the anti-social behaviour in the plaza so that the Kesgrave Safer Neighbourhood Team can help you enjoy the summer as much as possible. Please do not hesitate to contact me or one of my colleagues if we can help you on this or any other matter.

Mike Sarbutts PCSO 3194
Kesgrave and District Safer
Neighbourhood Team

CALLING ALL MUMS

There will be no meeting of the Mums Club in August. We meet again on Tuesday, 6th September at St. Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath from 12.45 to 2.30 p.m. when we invite all mums with babies and toddlers to join us for a 'Chomp and Chat' meeting. Lunch will be served around 1.00 p.m. and then you can chat with your friends while your children play. Bring your friends or come and make new ones !!

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

MARTLESHAM HEATH BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

The sun is shining.....summer is here!!

We held our AGM on Tuesday 17 May (Minutes available on request from martleshamheathtoddlers@fastmail.fm).

We would like to extend a very big thank you to the outgoing Committee Members Lauren Russell, Donna Gibson, Bethan Hunns and Joanne Searle for their valuable contribution over the last few years. We welcome Avtar Nagra as Treasurer, Tracey Cross as Vice Chair, Kylie Robinson as Secretary and Vanessa Love and Ros Forbes as fundraisers. We are a Committee of volunteers and would very much welcome any members who would like to take on a small role and assist.

Just a reminder that during the summer holidays toddler group will be closed. Our last session will be Friday 22 July. Normal sessions resume on Friday 9 September.

For anyone who would like to join us, our group is a friendly, fun place to meet with lots of toys, a sing-a-long music session and a great activity table for the children. Refreshments are included.

Our play sessions are held at the Martlesham Heath Pavilion on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9.30am until 11.30am during term-time. Our members pay just £2 per session for the first child and only £1 for each additional child attending. If the first child is under 6 mths old you pay a reduced rate of £1.

There is a one-off joining fee of £6, to help cover administration costs. There are, however, no session charges when you pay the joining fee. Please note that our play sessions are unsupervised and the children do remain in the full care of the accompanying adult at all times.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to call Catherine on 07515 435876 or email martleshamheathtoddlers@fastmail.fm.

MARTLESHAM PLAYSCHOOL

We had a super end to the school year with an end of term party at the church hall. An entertainer kept the children amused. Then followed a few party games and they sat down to a picnic provided by the parents. Many parents stayed for the party, joining in and enjoying refreshments as well. Of course, we had to say a sad goodbye to some of our children as they moved on to "big" school or nursery. We wish them all well for the future and hope everyone has a super summer holiday !

Thank you to everyone to come along to our fun day at the beginning of July. We couldn't have asked for better weather – it was a beautiful, warm, sunny day. We raised plenty of funds for the playschool. We have been able to improve our outside area with money raised from our fundraising activities this year. We have a wonderful artificial grass area, lots of new climbing equipment, brightly-coloured wooden tables and benches, and planters in our "digging" area. We have received lots of great comments from new parents.

We are registered to take children from 2 years, and accept children from any area. Our children move on to all the primary schools in the area and further afield. Our sessions are 9am to 12noon, and 12.15 to 3.15pm. Children staying all day are fully cared for from 9am to 3.15pm. We also have a pick-up service from Gorseland school so children can, if spaces allow, have sessions with us and Gorseland nursery. We have spaces left for the September term and you're looking for somewhere with an excellent staff/child ratio (5 staff per session), then give us a call.

Visit our website for more details :- www.playschool.martlesham.org.uk or you can contact me for a copy of our prospectus, and a registration form to join our waiting list, on 01473 621315. If you would like to look round the playschool please also give me a call Caroline Swale (Business Manager)

THE SAPLINGS PRE-SCHOOL (FORMERLY ST.MICHAELS PRE-SCHOOL), MARTLESHAM HEATH

Proud graduates at The Saplings Pre-School. During a wonderful ceremony at the new premises of the Saplings Pre-School (formerly St.Michaels Pre-School) , twenty-two local pre-schoolers were presented with their graduation diplomas and books by Mrs Karen Carter, Early Years Foundation Stage Teacher at Birchwood Primary School. The event was attended by lots of proud parents and families of the youngsters, who went on to enjoy a graduation party

complete with strawberry cream & scones! Staff from the pre-school said that the day was a very special one and wished the graduating children all the very best as they begin their primary schools in September.

As we moved into our bright spacious new premises in July, the name of our pre-school changed from St. Michaels to The Saplings. Although the name has changed, our excellent highly qualified members of staff stay the same & they look forward to welcoming the children in September.

In the meantime however, there is still chance to join us at our SAPLINGS HOLIDAY CLUB, held at our new premises at 2 The Square, Martlesham Heath, for lots of fun, games and crafts. Our club is running throughout the summer, just call our booking secretary, Sarah Tait on 01473 614174 to arrange play sessions for your child. Sessions are either full day or half day and are for children aged from 2 and a quarter to age 7.

During term-time, our friendly, fun-filled pre-school welcomes children from Martlesham and the surrounding areas, and they then leave us to go onto all the local schools including Birchwood, Gorseland, Cedarwood, Waldringfield, Little Bealings and Rendlesham. If you are interested in sending your child to The Saplings pre-school and would like a prospectus or to arrange a visit, please call Sarah Tait on 01473 614174.

We are a registered charity and rely on the support and help given by parents/carers and families, so if you would like a say in how your children's pre-school is run, please do join us at our monthly meetings, just speak to any member of staff about coming along.

GIRLGUIDING MARTLESHAM DISTRICT

We would like to say a big "Thank you" to everyone who supported our stall at Music on the Green, we raised just over £100 & will put it to good use to benefit all our members.

We are still urgently looking for volunteers to help set up a new Guide Unit in Martlesham, to ensure all the girls on our waiting list will be able to progress up to the Guide section, when they reach 10. If you are able to offer a few hours of your time each week, to the benefit of young women in our community, please contact me on the number below.

Happy Holidays to all our Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Rangers, Young Leaders & Guiders & Good Luck to those off to University in September.

We are a thriving District with 1 Rainbow Unit, 4 Brownie Packs, 1 Guide Company & 1 Ranger Unit.

For more details about Guiding in Martlesham, please contact the following:-

Jo Dixon Martlesham District Commissioner 01473 622160
Chris Cooper Martlesham District Wait List Co-ordinator 01473 626024

1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUTS

For all enquiries regarding joining the group, becoming a helper or hiring of the Scout HQ please contact Sarah Cooke on 01394 387858.

MARTLESHAM METEORS UNDER 15S

Are seeking footballers who will be School Year 10 this September (2011-2012 season)

At Meteors we believe that enjoyment of the game is central to influencing motivation and performance. As managers our ethos is for the boys to play without fear and we endeavour to give them scope to express themselves. Each week we give careful thought to our training sessions, progressively building upon skill levels and encouraging players to play to their strengths.

We also seek to build self awareness and will work with the player to identify weaker skills that need working on too. At the end of each training session we ask the boys to review and reflect on their learning.

Our current team of boys have an excellent rapport and are encouraging of each other's game. While we are a team that knows how to have fun, each of us is passionate and serious about 'the beautiful game', so we work hard.

If you are like minded and could add to the team please ask your parent/guardian to contact us.

Darren Cutting : 07873 395253 Or
Jeevan Dosanjh : 07704 176640

MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP

Many thanks to all those who supported us at our car boot stall at Music on the Green by buying some plants, making a donation or talking to us about your own wildlife observations. It was great to hear them.

We conducted our count of the Silver Studded Blue butterflies present on the heath SSSI on Sunday 10th July. The total counted was lower than last year. However this low value was most probably due to the record early emergence of the butterfly, and so we

The Cotton Club QUILT EXHIBITION 30 September - 2 October 2011

Woodbridge Community Hall, Station Road, Woodbridge IP12 4AU
Open 10am - 4 pm (3pm on Sunday)
Admission £3 (accompanied children free)
Raffle, Refreshments and trade tables in aid of
EACH, Woodbridge Disability Advisory Service and RNID.
Contact Liz (01473) 271489 or
jean.minns@btinternet.com

were a long way past the peak population. Loss of some butterflies due to the fires in the spring is also likely to be a contributing factor. Further analysis of the results is in progress. We managed to find some butterflies on the northern part of the SSSI albeit in only small numbers. Hopefully heather will regenerate in the burnt areas and will provide fresh areas for this rare and beautiful butterfly to colonise from the small pockets that remain. Other butterflies found whilst conducting the count of the Silver Studded Blues were Meadow Brown, Ringlet, Small Skipper, Essex Skipper, Large Skipper, Common Blue, Brown Argus, Small Copper, Large White, Small White, Green Veined White, Peacock, Red Admiral, and Purple Hairstreak. We also were lucky enough to see two Hummingbird Hawkmoths nectar feeding on a Buddleia bush.

Whilst walking around the SSSI we noted that a lot of work needs to be done to bring the heath back to a good condition. The bracken has expanded greatly and taken over in some areas. Our next working party will be on Sunday 14th August. We aim to try to recover some heathland habitat or at least check its decline. Please join us to help. No particular skill or previous knowledge is required, all tools will be provided on the day. Please meet outside the Douglas Bader pub at 10am or join us on the heath.

Phil Smith 01473 625630

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST - WOODBRIDGE GROUP

Our next event takes place on Saturday 20th August from 2pm to 5pm approx at Hazelwood Marshes (OS Grid Reference TM443583) where we will be looking for waders and dragonflies. Please contact me if you would like more details.

Phil Smith 01473 625630

**MARTLESHAM HEATH
WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

Ever wondered what happens at a
WI meeting?

Come and find out on

Monday 12 September and Monday
10 October

For more information telephone
Mary Bloomfield 01473 625577

**PORTAL WOODLANDS
CONSERVATION GROUP**

18 people ventured out on the evening of Friday 24th June to enjoy our Glow Worm Survey and Bat Walk. Despite the damp weather we counted 29 females and 1 male. Although we were pleased to count more than the 1 female last year, the count was still down on typical numbers, particularly in the area by the Police HQ next to the A12 where there has been much building work and ground disturbance. Several pipistrelle bats were heard through the bat detectors, and we had the added bonus of observing dragonflies emerging from their exuvia on reeds in our pond. Thanks to everyone who visited our stand at the Gorseland and Birchwood Primary Schools Summer events, and to those who helped out with the stand.

You will be very welcome to come & see us at the Martlesham Heath Aviation Society Fun Day - Sun 11th Sept, 11:00 - 16:00.

This month there is a break from activities because of holidays. Dates for next month shown below. Bookings and enquiries for Nature Watch Club (5-11years) and Nature Explorers (10+) should be made by sending an email to naturewatch.pwcg@martlesham.org.uk

Martlesham and District Flower Club

INDOOR GARDEN PARTY

Wed 17th August 2.30pm - 4.30pm

At St Michael's Church Centre,
Martlesham Heath

Cream Teas and various stalls

Admission 50p

In aid of Air Ambulance and
Community Responders

Dates for the diary:

Woodlands Work Morning :

Saturday 17th September 10:00am-
Noon

Meet at the Education Area (at the
Control Tower end of the woods)

Nature Watch Club Saturday 3rd
September 10:00am-Noon
Subject: Reptiles

Nature Explorers Saturday 17th
September 9:00-11:00am
Activity: Revetment path building.

For details of the above and more information about PWCG and its activities, please access our website at www.martlesham.org.uk/portalwoodlandsgroup, or if you have any questions please email us at pwcg@martlesham.org.uk or phone Martlesham Parish Council on 01473 612632

SPEAK EASY AT MARTLESHAM

Evaluation; The Key to Better Speaking Earlier in the summer Speak Easy at Martlesham Speakers Club held an Evaluation Workshop, 'Evaluate to Motivate'. Dave Nightingale led the session, explaining that an evaluation should be positive, giving the speaker beneficial advice, encouraging them to speak again and practice speaking, as well as make improvements. Brian Wilcox then gave a speech which everyone present was invited to help evaluate, drawing on Dave's advice, resulting in one of the most thorough evaluations we have probably ever heard at the club! This process is a key part of Toastmasters International, which Speak Easy is affiliated to, because it is through feedback on our speaking that we can learn how to improve. During our meetings members give spoken evaluations on each other's speeches and roles. Not only do the speakers benefit, it is surprising how much you learn yourself by listening to evaluations or by being an evaluator, all within a light hearted and supportive atmosphere. Why not come along to one of meetings and find out for yourself?

Guests are always welcome to come along to our meetings. We meet on alternate Thursdays in the Richards Room, Martlesham Community Hall, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham (behind the Tesco superstore). Meetings are 7.00 pm for a 7.15 pm start and finish at 9.30pm We look forward to seeing you.

Future Speak Easy at Martlesham 2011 meetings:

August 4th

August 18th

September 1st

September 15th

September 29th

Further details can be found at <http://www.speakeasyatmartlesham.co.uk>

Or call Dave Nightingale Tel. 07969 598633 or Sonya Burrows Tel.01473 625196

MARTLESHAM WI

We have had some really interesting speakers this year with such diverse subjects/titles as the Suffolk Food Hall, the joys (and otherwise) of owning a pony, 'Life on the wicked stage', the Mary Rose Trust, 'Frolic, Fervour & Fornication', an 'armchair walk' with an Ipswich Tourist Guide and reminiscences from one of our members of her WI holiday in Tuscany.

We do not have a meeting in August but we will be back together again on 16th September at 7.30 p.m. in the Richards Room (next to the Community Centre) when Jenny Gibbs will talk to us about Turkish Cuisine. Visitors and new members are always welcome to join our small and friendly group. Contact can be made to Susan Cunliffe on 01394-382199.

YOUR LOCAL COUNTRY MARKET

What do YOU expect to find when you pass through the doors at your Local Country Market?

At this time of year we do our best to offer a wide selection of locally grown vegetables fruit and cut flowers, freshly gathered in the previous 24 hours before market - grown without pesticides and insecticides so widely used by commercial growers.

Our cooks use where possible locally sourced ingredients to provide tasty savouries, and attractive looking cakes and sweets. Surplus supplies of vegetables and fruit are used in the making of our chutneys jams and marmalades.

Although we hope for warm sunny days it is necessary to consider that cooler times will require the need for a knitted garment. Our craft ladies can provide these as well as many household items, bags, and cards for all occasions.

These services are offered to you on a Saturday at the Scout H/Q, Kesgrave between 9.30am and 11.30am, and Tuesday at The Pavilion, Martlesham Heath between 9am and 10.15am. ALL WELCOME.

Enquiries please, Margaret Gayfer
01473 623849

MARTLESHAM & DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB

'Flowers for the home' was the title of Mrs Linda Harman's demonstration and for her arrangements Linda likes to use fresh flowers from the local supermarkets, foliage from her garden along with some dried flowers. Starting off was a pretty pink design in a small basket of spray carnations, roses, freesias and gypsophila. She then took a small pink pottery jar topped with moss and added heads of tiny pink roses. A pot plant wrapped in coloured paper and placed in a small cotton bag. Both these designs small and easily done and looked very effective. Following on she produced a striking arrangement of deep red gerberas, adding cut stems, bronze foliage, eucalyptus leaves with four thin strips bent and tied together at the top. For a simple table design a ring of pink alstromeria, pistachio spray carnations, white carnations and dried purple eryngiums. Two similar smaller designs were placed on top, creating a three tier effect. Linda then made a hand-tied arrangement. Lastly a small arrangement of deep purple irises and Californian blue bells wrapped together with lilac coloured paper. Coloured butterflies were added to perfectly finish off each of her designs. The competition was won by Mrs Ann Chisem with Mrs Florence Fisher winning the novice class.

The club meets at St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath, on the third Wednesday each month at 2.30pm. The annual subscription remains at £12.50 with visitors welcome at £2.50 per session. There is a plant and flower arrangers stall at each meeting. The next meeting will be our indoor "Garden Party" on the 17th August. Please come along and support us.

Margaret Doveston 01473 624422.

Village Views

Dear Sir

Who is this person complaining about noise from children playing?

By coming to Martlesham, he or she is living on a housing estate with the majority of houses being occupied by young families, who are entitled to play in their own garden. If "Disgruntled M/H" wants peace and quiet, I suggest she lives in a McCarthy's development in Woodbridge or an old folks residence. He or she will be able to sit 24 hours a day in complete silence.

I am a grandparent with a grown-up family now, but I fully understand the young. Because I was one once! What I do object to is adults playing loud music outside.

Yours Truly

Mrs N Jessup

BRIDGE CLASSES AT MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

There will be a new daytime Bridge class for BEGINNERS starting in September at the Martlesham Community Centre (Richards Room). The objective of the class is to be able to enjoy friendly social Bridge. If you are interested please call Mike Fisher on 01394 388237, or visit www.MikeFisherBridge.com for full details and to email me.

MARTLESHAM HISTORY SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Martlesham History Society will be Monday 15th August and Linda Sexton will be talking to us about "Mrs Grimwade and the Girls of Hope House, Ipswich..

Meetings, as always, are held in The Pavilion, The Square, Martlesham Heath and the entrance fee is £2.00 and we look forward to seeing you for a very informative evening. For further information please contact Dora Kneebone on 01473 623380.

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

July 1st and the Community Hall was once again very full as we were privileged to listen to a talk given by Manette Crossman about the harsh and dangerous nature of life in Holland under the Nazis during WW2.

Manette was born in Holland and listened to stories from her parents, great grandparents, aunts and uncles who themselves lived through the occupation. She now lives in England and is, in fact, training to be a vicar in the Church of England. Manette believes that the history of all events during WW2 should be preserved and to that end has prepared her stories for posterity. Several members of her family were actively involved with the Dutch resistance organisation and risked torture and death for their beliefs.

We are pleased to announce that

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

will once again hold our popular

OPEN DAY.

The date to make a note of is **Sunday 11th September.**

Something of interest for all ages. Bring the children for a fun day out. Everything from forties style jive dancing to vintage vehicles, both civilian and military.

It will be a chance to view our improved and enlarged Control Tower museum.

You don't have to wait until September!

The museum is open from Easter till October from 2pm - 5pm every Sunday afternoon

A vote of thanks was given by our President, Gordon Kinsey and Manette was greeted with much applause for her moving story and the way she delivered it.

No meeting is organised for August. Our members traditionally visit a place of interest on the first Friday of the month. This time a visit to the aircraft collection of Maurice Hammond near Long Stratton is planned.

Alan Powell. 01473 622458.

BENTWATERS COLD WAR MUSEUM

Open Day - Sunday 7th August 2011

The Bentwaters Cold War Museum will be holding a special Open Day on Sunday August 7th 2011 from 10 am until 4 pm. With something for all ages to enjoy including-

- * NATO Tiger Meet Theme.
- * Meet Veteran pilots.
- * Static display of Military vehicles and Fire Engines.
- * Trade stands and displays from other local museums
- * Woodbridge Air Training Corps BBQ, refreshment stall and ice cream van.
- * Static display of aircraft.
- * Face painting, bouncy castle, flight simulator for children.
- * Bus tours of the airfield will be running at £3.00. Your chance to see what was

one of the largest United States Air Force bases in Europe, and its present day uses.

* Admission to the airfield will be £5 per adult, all children Free (an additional £1 per adult for museum admission). Bentwaters Aviation Society Members are Free.

* Free parking

Run by volunteers from the Bentwaters Aviation Society, the building is a large bunker made available to the public to view following 3 years of work to renovate and refurbish after the withdrawal of the USAF in 1993.

Further information on the society can be found at www.bentwaters-as.org.uk and for the museum at www.bcwm.org.uk

The main "War Operations Room" and "Battle cabin" have been restored to original condition including the original decontamination showers and airlocks allowing members of the public to see these once top secret, high security military installations in detail in an eerie atmosphere evoking the Cold War period.

Other rooms within the building have been turned into exhibition rooms, covering the history of RAF Bentwaters from W.W.II until the base closed in 1993.

There is plenty of car parking space and is suitable for all ages and has the added benefit of being an ideal all weather visitor attraction.

Open dates 2011

August Sunday 7th, 21st, 28th, Monday 29th

September Sunday 4th, 18th

October Sunday 2nd Sunday 16th

Opening times 10.00 - 16.00

Admission Prices Adult £5.

Child (14 & under) Free

Concessions £4.00

LOCAL CHILDCARE

We are KSM Childcare – 3 caring and professional Childminders living and working in Kesgrave. At the end of June we celebrated National Childminding Week with the children – The theme was 'Aspirations' and so we looked at 'People who help us' and took the children to meet our local Police Officers! The children had a fantastic time and enjoyed trying on hats and coats and sitting in the police car and learning about how they help us. We would like to thank PC Hammond for hosting our visit. You can see some pictures on our website! We are looking forward to the summer

holidays and hoping for some sunny weather as we plan many activities to keep the children busy! From crafts at home to trips to the zoo, farm and seaside, picnics in the park, pond dipping, play centres, feeding the ducks, crabbing – the list is endless! For some of us it will be the last few weeks that we will be caring for some of the children as they will be moving on to full time school in September, this is always a sad time as we say goodbye to little ones that we may have cared for since they were just a few weeks old, but we wish them all well in their new adventures!

If you would like information about our current vacancies, please call Sharon Buckley our Vacancy Coordinator on 01473 612828 or 07809 297207 email sharonm.buckley@virgin.net

FELIXSTOWE TENNIS CLUB

Summer Holiday Children's Camps – Sporting fun including tennis coaching for children aged 4-14: 27 to 29th July, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 10th 11th and 12th August and 24th to 26th August. Contact Lysette on 07889972214 or email lysettefulcher@hotmail.com

14th to 20th August – Felixstowe Junior Tennis Tournament – Refreshments available. Why not come and watch some of the Junior tennis talent whilst enjoying a coffee and slice of cake.

For further details contact: nrrtt@hotmail.com phone 01394 285664

and have a look at the web site at www.felixstowetennis.co.uk

DEBEN RADIO

Contributions and Volunteers Welcome!

Listen online at www.debenradio.com The Monthly Sports Update Programme has now been running since March. The list of Contributors is growing fast.

It would be good to hear from Clubs and Societies in the Villages of the Deben Valley Area - just send in a report by the last day of the month to sports@debenradio.com .It doesn't have to be every month and details of any special events can always be sent to events@debenradio.com .

New Volunteers are always welcome! Being a presenter, or assisting with a programme – or how about becoming an audio editor, training will be given and it is all done at home on your computer. Email us at contact@debenradio.com

THE LIONS CLUB OF WOODBRIDGE & DISTRICT

The Woodbridge Regatta proved a hugely successful day; we were delighted to work alongside the Regatta Committee, both organizations benefited from the fine weather and good attendance. Our signature attraction, the Whoopie Dipper was certainly in demand with queues of children throughout the afternoon. Balancing our fundraising with social events, we had a guided tour of the new East Anglian Children's Hospice; great to see such fantastic facilities brought about by the fundraising efforts of the whole community; quite emotional too, when we thought of the families who would be using the services of the Hospice. A couple of social events are now promised before we begin the build up to our Autumn fundraising event, the Martlesham Heath 10k & Fun Run on Sunday 2nd October. A bit early to think of October? Not a bit; the Christmas puddings are already on order for our annual Christmas parcels project! Peter See 01473 625318

WOODBRIDGE PROBUS CLUB

At our meeting on Monday the 4th of July, our guest speaker was Mr. Malcolm Key who gave us an enlightening presentation entitled "Suffolk Woodland, their Management and Wildlife Value".

From time to time we organise trips to places of interest. The next will be a visit to Trinity House Harwich on September 15th.

The Woodbridge Probus Club always welcomes enquires about membership from retired or semi-retired professional and business gentlemen. If you are at all interested, please contact our membership secretary, Bryan Cooper, on 01394 461148.

DEBEN PROBUS CLUB;

Deben Probus is a long established club for retired or semi-retired professionals and businessmen. The Aims and Objectives of the club are to provide and encourage social contacts and fellowship amongst its members. We have more than sixty members who meet monthly at Ufford Park Hotel for lunch, followed by a speaker. We have a very active walking group, which we share with Woodbridge Probus and Heath Ladies Probus and we also have a number of visits each year to places of interest.

At our June meeting our Guest Speaker was Vicky Westren who gave us a very

interesting informative and entertaining talk entitled "Cascades, Carnivals and Castles", the successful June walk started and finished at The Fountain at Tuddenham,.

If you are interested in joining Deben Probus, please contact our Secretary, Peter Booth-Smith on 01394 610881.

ST JOHNS, WOODBRIDGE

The Form gap year programme is for people aged between 18-30. It combines personal discipleship development, experiential learning through community outreach, areas of ministry and overseas mission. Form training takes place on Monday's and Thursday's from 9am-3pm and runs from Sept through to the end of June (term time only). During the rest of the week, we encourage the students to find part time employment within the community to support themselves and to keep them engaged in the working world. For 2011/12 we will be providing students with an internal placement opportunity, as an alternative to part-time work. Each term the students will have an opportunity to visit a vibrant church around the UK or attend a Christian conference.

Community outreach on Thursday's is quite key within FORM, putting into practice the discipleship teaching they have learned. Some outreach activities include working with: the local police, Just42 which is a local youth charity, Tools with a Mission, FIND, Suffolk Wildlife Trust and many other organisations.

Part of the gap year programme is overseas mission and over the last three years Form has organised mission opportunities in Uganda, Zurich and Romania. An overseas mission trip is a great way to develop a student as they are exposed to different cultures and situations in life. The cost of the Form Gap Year is £900 for the course year. This cost pays towards teaching, guest speakers, retreats, course material, local outreach, lunch and refreshments on Form days. This payment does not include the mission trip, as this is funded through various fundraising events that the Form students organise throughout the course year. For further information please contact: Tracey Fearn, Form Leader at form@stjohnswoodbridge tel: 01394 383162 or visit: www.stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk/form

MARTLESHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Black Tiles lane

"Getting away from it all!"

So! - The holiday season is upon us!

Jesus was an extremely busy man. What we have written about His life, is only a fraction of His daily output. The Apostle who knew Him best wrote "If all the other things Jesus did were written down, the whole world could not contain the books required!"

But Jesus was all for rest, and relief from stress. He understands how care-worn and depressed we can be at times.

When His disciples had been through a particularly busy time, he told them "Come on! - Let's get away from the crowds for a while and take some time out!" In the Sermon on the Mount, He encourages us to relax in God's care and provision, instead of fretting about daily needs and the unknown tomorrow.

Perhaps the most helpful advice He gave is found in Matthew Ch.11(Message Version) -Are you tired? - Worn out? - Come to me, get away with me, and you will recover your life. I'll show you how to take a real rest. - Walk with me and work with me. - Watch how I do things. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won't lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you'll learn to live freely and lightly.

Enjoy your holiday!

ACTIVITIES IN AUGUST

SUNDAYS

Worship and Communion - 10.00 a.m,

WEDNESDAYS

House Groups - See 'News-sheet' for details

FRIDAYS

Friends on Friday - 10.00 a.m.

No Tuesday Circle or Mums and Toddlers in August

For further information, ring John or Ruth Mellen - 01473 624401

Martlesham Community Hall and Richards Room

To enquire about booking Martlesham Community Hall or the Richards Room please telephone the Booking secretary on 01473 623203 who will be available to help you with your enquiry or will telephone you back if not available. Alternatively E-Mail the new E-Mail address martcomhall@btinternet.com or write to The Booking Secretary Martlesham Community Hall Felixstowe Road Martlesham Ipswich IP12 4PB Ref Martlesham Community Hall Charity Number 1009602

BRIGHTWELL CHURCH

The Annual Historic Churches Cycle Ride is planned for Saturday September 10th this year

If you would like to support Brightwell Church please contact Marjorie Manning (01473 625512) for a sponsorship form.

Geoff Lambert PCC Secretary

brightwellchurch@btinternet.com

www.achurchnearyou.com

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

Schools have broken up, and many people will be going on holiday this month. Church life will be taking a bit of a breather, too. Our regular services will continue as usual, but most organisations and study groups will be having a break.

We have now been without a parish priest for nearly six months, but services and events have continued, and church life has gone very smoothly, thanks to everyone who has worked very hard together to keep things going. Our very grateful thanks to them.

The process of finding a new parish priest is well under way, and a good number of people have contributed to the Parish Profile, which is being sent to the Bishop to help him find the right man or woman to come here. It has given us a chance to think about our priorities.

"Music on the Green" was once again a great success this year, and our contribution at St. Michael's was to feed the five thousand, though happily our caterers had more than five loaves and two fishes to do it with! We were very pleased to welcome so many people to the church.

We have one social gathering this month - a "French Cabaret Evening" on Saturday, 6th August at 6.30 pm, in Hall Farm Dairy, Church Lane, Martlesham (IP12 4PQ for those who use SatNav!) - and everyone is warmly invited. Tickets are £7.50 including a buffet.

**Building
God's
Family
Together**

THE CHURCH IN MARTLESHAM & BRIGHTWELL

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Services for the Month	Brightwell	Martlesham	Martlesham Heath
	St John's	St Mary's	St Michael's
Sunday 7th August 7th Sunday after Trinity	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (BCP)	9.45 am All Age Worship
Sunday 14th August 8th Sunday after Trinity	6.30 pm Evensong	11am Holy Communion	9.45 am Family Communion and Baptism
Sunday 21st August 9th Sunday after Trinity	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (CW)	9.45am Worship
Sunday 28th August 10th Sunday after Trinity	6.30pm Evensong	11am Matins	9.45am Family Communion
Sunday 4th Sept 11th Sunday after Trinity	8 am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (BCP)	9.45 am All Age Worship

MIDWEEK SERVICES

**Holy Communion each Wednesday at 10 am in St. Michael's
 Bright Stars will not be meeting during August
 There will be a creche for young children at the 9.45 services at St. Michael's
 A warm welcome awaits you at all our services**

PRAYER DIARY AUGUST 2011

Please pray daily for the church, the world and for our local community.

AUGUST.

5. For all who help produce the Martlesham Monthly
6. Those facing serious illnesses
7. For all those in our churches today
8. For the homeless and for refugees
9. Give thanks for Mary Sumner founder of the Mother's Union.
10. For the residents of Forest Lane.
- 11 For all recently bereaved.
12. For all our family members
13. On Florence Nightingale Day pray for all in nursing profession.
- 14 For the work of mission in this benefice.
15. For St Mary's church on the patronal festival.
16. For the unemployed
17. For the residents of Fynn Road.
18. For those on their holidays.
19. For those who cannot afford a holiday.

20. The work of the Salvation Army & its founders William & Catherine Booth.

21. For Christian Solidarity Worldwide
22. For the hungry and thirsty in our world
23. For new babies and their parents
24. For all residents of Gayfer Avenue
25. For all business people in tough economic times.
26. For all the local Community Responders.
27. For our local councillors.
28. For all members of the Christian Fellowship Church
29. On this Bank Holiday safety on the roads.
30. Give thanks for spiritual writers including John Bunyan.
31. For the residents of Geneva Avenue

SEPTEMBER.

1. For teachers and pupils about to return to school.
2. For pupils going on to further education
3. For all grandparents and grandchildren
4. For opportunities to share the Gospel