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MARTLESHAM MAMMALS

October:- Pipistrelle Bat (Pipistrelle pipistrellus) The common pip or pip 45 is the most common UK bat. A very small bat, it is seen at dusk flying about lamps feeding on small invertebrates . It gives birth to one young a year, and is a true flying mammal. This bat can be spotted visually or with a bat detector. Lives in houses ,walls and trees .

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 A 5 size, and must be delivered for 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.

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COMMUNITY RESPONDERS

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For further details, contact Paul and Claire Stockdale 01473 621225 (e.mail paulstockdale@btinternet.com) or see our web pages on www.martlesham.org.uk

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

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICES CONSULTATION

The Mobile Library service is under threat. Martlesham Heath currently enjoys a weekly visit at the Douglas Bader (alternate Tuesdays 2:55-4:30 and Thursdays 10:20-11:45, visits this month on 6, 11, 20 and 25 October). Falcon Mobile Home Park has fortnightly visits on the Tuesdays only (2:15-2:45), and Angela Close and Redwold Close in Martlesham on alternate Wednesdays (5 & 19 October this month).

The librarian is extremely helpful, the van has internet access available at the longer stops, and a lift to help getting on and off if needed; it's a great service.

It is proposed to remove a lot of stops (the Martlesham ones do not yet appear to be affected) and reduce visits to monthly. Please have your say on these proposals via <http://www.suffolk.gov.uk/sld> and click on the 2011 Mobile Library Consultation link, or pick up a paper form at the mobile library itself. Responses needed by 16th October at the latest. Use it or lose it!

MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

New website

We have moved to

<http://martlesham.onesuffolk.net> where you can view information on the Council and the parish. Please note that the Martlesham Portal site, www.martlesham.org.uk, where we used to have our pages, is currently unavailable.

Safer Neighbourhood Team – Public Community Engagement Meeting

The next meeting is on Wednesday 05 October 2011, 6.30 – 7.15pm, in the Parish Room, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham. This is your opportunity to let the police know your local concerns and participate in setting local priorities.

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.

Notification of temporary Public Right of Way closure

Footpaths 15 (river wall path, south side of Martlesham Creek, eastward from the boatyard) and 53 (linking from footpath 15 South to Poplar Wood) will be closed from 05 September 2011 for up to 6 months. Diversion signs will be in operation for the duration of this period.

Proposals for a wind farm off the coast of Suffolk: Presentation on Wednesday 12 October 2011, 6.30pm

ScottishPower Renewables and their joint venture partners Vattenfall are proposing to build a wind farm some 40km off the Suffolk coast. They wish to inform local communities about their electrical transmission works. This will include underground onshore cable routes in the area north of Ipswich, route not yet determined. A presentation is therefore being held in the Parish Room, Felixstowe Road, on 12 October at 6.30pm prior to our Development Plans Committee meeting. Parishioners are invited to attend.

Bloor Homes Exhibition held on 07 September 2011 in the Community Hall

There has been some confusion relating to the above exhibition. Bloor Homes held the exhibition for 1 day only to give the public an opportunity to view their proposals in advance of a revised planning application being submitted. The revised proposals are for 180 new homes, off Main Road, Martlesham. Once a planning application has been submitted details will be available to view online at www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk or by visiting Suffolk Coastal District Council offices, Melton Hill, Woodbridge or by arrangement at Martlesham Parish Council.

Draft National Planning Policy – public consultation

There has been a great deal of coverage of the proposed national planning policy in the media. With the issues concerning the Local Development Framework, the BT planning application and recent pre-planning consultation for land off Main Road, relaxation of

planning laws may be of particular relevance for parishioners. You can make your views known on the consultation until 17 October 2011. You can find the information on <http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/planningandbuilding/draftframeworkconsultation>.

Forthcoming meetings:

Parish Council – 5 October 2011
Development Plans Committee – 12 October 2011
Finance & General Purposes Committee – 26 October 2011
Parish Council – 2 November 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, Parish Room, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham, Woodbridge IP12 4PB 01473 612632

e-mail: clerk@martleshamcouncil.org.uk
website: <http://martlesham.onesuffolk.net> for latest news & events

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

CHRIS BLUNDELL'S DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT

The Bloor and BT Planning Applications.

These two significant housing developments are likely to be presented for determination in the not too distant future so we will all have to be vigilant as to precisely when the hearing dates are set. After looking at the revised plan for the Bloor Homes off Main Road in Martlesham I was quite surprised at both the reduction in the proposed number of homes from two hundred and eighty to one hundred and eighty and the substantial amount of green space that will be made available to the potential new residents. Provided that the infrastructure problems are not insurmountable the Bloor Homes

application actually looks feasible and that will make it difficult for the planning committee at SCDC to refuse it. The BT application remains a controversial problem that is also yet to be resolved.

Car Parking. Town centre car parking facilities and charges in Suffolk Coastal's main towns and parishes are currently being reviewed with a view to increasing the revenue from them. This is pressure from Whitehall that councils should increase locally derived revenues in order to reduce the budget gap caused by a 30 per cent cut in government grants. It is worth noting that SCDC has not increased its car parking charges since 2006.

Police Investigation Centre. (P.I.C.)

Thank you to all those who have contacted me with regard to the release of detainees from the P.I.C. Please keep the information coming. There is clearly some real concern and now some evidence about this so I will be seeking clarification on the current situation both from the office of the Chief Constable and the District Council.

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 3rd October 2011 between 10.00am and 12.00noon.

JOHN KELSO'S DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Adastral Park Planning Application.

The latest information that I have received from the planning officers is that the application will not be going to committee until the end of November at the earliest.

A staff update on the development was held on the 19th September unfortunately too late for any information to be included in this article.

Local Development Framework (LDF)

The latest consultation exercise into the amended Sustainability appraisal and appropriate assessment commenced on August 30th and the final deadline for receipt of any responses is 16.45 on the 14th October 2011. Both of these documents are available for viewing at the Suffolk Coastal offices or on line at www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk.

Bloor Homes Development at Pipes field and Mill Farm

An exhibition produced by agents acting on behalf of Bloor Homes was held at the Martlesham Community Hall on September 7th. Unfortunately the opening hours were between 10 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. when most of us were at work. However I did contact Martin Hughes of Polity who advised that their clients have indicated to him that they are prepared to consider holding a

further evening session should there be sufficient demand for it. Anyone who was unable to attend the original event should email martin@polityuk.com telephone 020 7242 3969 or write to 4 Dyers Buildings Holborn London EC1N 2JT.

Having attended the exhibition Bloors have now reduced the Housing numbers from 281 to 180 with 59 of the units being affordable homes. However, the major issues remaining in my opinion are, the loss of the green space between the older part of the village and the industrial estate, the effect this development will have on the common which is a county wildlife site and the increased traffic and its effect on the already problematic junction at the Park and Ride roundabout. The development of this area would also be against the existing Local Plan policies as well as the emerging Local Development Framework. The Bloor agents advised me that they intend to submit the amended plans to Suffolk Coastal at the end of September or the beginning of October. Please watch out for updates at www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk and on Parish Council noticeboards.

Please feel free to contact me via email john.kelso@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk or by telephone 01473 631682 if you wish to discuss any of the above matters.

John Kelso District Councillor
Martlesham Ward

**MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY
COUNCIL**
REGISTERED CHARITY NO 273769

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10am-3pm
SATURDAY 29TH OCTOBER 2011
ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH CENTRE
MARTLESHAM HEATH

RAFFLE & REFRESHMENTS

Cards,
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Decorations
Jewellery,
Wooden gifts
& much more

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Information from Jackie Bear on
01473-623007

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM

The Witching hour approaches.

The nights are drawing in and therefore the advice for this month is to take a few precautions so you do not become a victim of crime or anti social behaviour.

Leaving your home unlocked, all in darkness and with valuables on view could mean that you end up giving burglars a gift.

Don't make it easy for them.

Burglars watch for houses with no signs of life. Leave a light on or better still put your lights on a timer and leave a radio on if you go out during the hours of darkness.

Think about the security of your home.

Lock up doors, windows and gates. Remember to lock your garden shed and store tools and ladders securely inside; it stops burglars using your tools to break into your house.

Close it, Lock it, Check it.

Don't forget that we offer many security items at reduced prices at the Kesgrave and District SNT Office located amongst the shop units in Ropes Drive, Kesgrave.

At the end of October we have Halloween where we see a growing number of young people dressing up in various costumes and then calling on neighbours and other residents who are greeted with the term 'Trick or Treat.' In the main the younger children are well supervised and their visits are generally well received by the residents armed with a well-stocked supply of sweets from the local shops.

However unfortunately some of the activities by older age groups can cause distress to vulnerable people.

Banging on doors and windows late at night can be very frightening for some people so please think about your actions and activities on the night.

Also with the darker evenings, please do not get caught out without lights for your cycles. It is extremely dangerous to cycle on the highway without lights as other

road users can't see you. You should also consider wearing reflective clothing as this can make you more visible and therefore increase your safety. If you are the parent or guardian of a child on a cycle, please make sure they have lights for their own safety. You will never forgive yourselves if an accident happens as a result of not having lights or bright clothing.

Our next Community Engagement Meetings are at:

Thursday 5th October 2011 6.30pm-7.15pm at the Parish Rooms, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham IP12 4PD

Tuesday 15th November 2011 7.00pm-7.45pm at the Village Hall, The Street, Little Bealings IP13 6LJ.

Details and further information is available by visiting our web site www.safersuffolk.org.uk

Regards

PS 733 Peter Street

Kesgrave and District SNT

MARTLESHAM HEATH HOUSEHOLDERS LTD

July and August have passed with requests for our tree surgeon to inspect 5 trees in Avocet Lane and Coopers Road along with one tree in the birch woods. His advice will lead to the removal or pruning of the trees amounting to over £2000 in costs. This is without planting any trees to replace the ones removed. We are also meeting with the County Council representative to discuss planting trees on the grassed areas on Eagle Way near to Carlford/Manor Roads and Parkers Place/Demesne Gardens. This is Council owned land but residents have indicated that in keeping with the village ethos they would like to see some trees in these areas. Again, depending on funds available, this may or may not happen in the near future.

Please continue to check your boundaries for overgrown hedges/trees/shrubs. In some places footpaths are reduced by 50% due to this problem. If it is badly overgrown the Council is entitled to ask the resident to do the work or risk getting a bill from the Council if they have to do it.

In October and end of September there are opportunities for paying your maintenance charge in person at the Pavillion. Three Saturday mornings have been reserved for this and it is your chance to tell Directors of anything concerning you (or thanks for work done), for informing us of your interest in becoming a Director and asking any questions, or just saving postage. (24th Sept. 1st Oct and 8th Oct. 10-12noon).

For those of you who have gorse behind your boundary fences (mostly Western Corridor), you are entitled to cut back the gorse up to 3 metres from the fence and dispose of it yourselves. This autumn, it is hoped that the funding from Natural England will allow the start of clearance work on the Western Corridor, but the gorse nearest properties may not be the first priority as the funding is to make the site suitable for the wildlife.

The next Board Meeting will be held on 17th October at 19.30 in St Michael's Church Centre. Householders may attend and put questions to the Board at the end of the main meeting. Contact us through email on mhh@martlesham.org.uk or phone on 01473 612207. Directors are all volunteers so we cannot always promise an immediate response but we do our best. Thankyou

KESGRAVE CHILDREN'S CENTRE

We would like to thank everyone who supported the Children's Centre and came to our groups during the summer holiday's we had a wonderful time and the feed back we have had says you did too.

We are now back to our usual timetable regarding our groups until the end of September and are in the process of printing a new programme for October.

Triple P seminars: This is a Positive Parenting Programme running in conjunction with Cedarwood Primary School on 21 and 28 September and 5 October. If you are interested and would like more information please contact the School or the Children's Centre. Crèche places can only be booked through the centre. Please telephone 01473 636726.

Swap Shop: We will be having this fortnightly.

We are still running our Infant Massage groups and are planning a First Aid and Home Safety course, Living with Babies and Living with Children Courses in the near future. Please contact the Children's Centre for more details.

We are open Monday to Friday so feel free to give us a call or just come in and visit us, our friendly staff are always happy to listen or help.

Kesgrave Children's Centre contact number is: 01473 636726.

Also in the area, Woodbridge (Caterpillar) 01394 388276 and Rendlesham 01394 462191.

CALLING ALL MUMS

The Mums' Club will meet at St. Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath on Tuesday, 4th October from 12.45 to 2.30 p.m. Lunch will be served around 1.00 p.m. and we will then have a talk about swimming classes for babies and small children by Caroline Angus from Water Babies East Anglia. All mums, babies and toddlers welcome.

The Drinks and Dribbles Baby Café will open its doors at St. Michael's on Thursdays, 6th and 20th October between 10 a.m. and 12 noon. This is a 'drop-in' for the 'Buggy Brigade' offering drinks, toys and friendship. Why not pop in ?

For more information please 'phone Sue on 01473 624130.

BRIGHT STARS

So far this autumn at Bright Stars we have been finding out all about what it is like to be part of God's family with songs, games, stories and other activities, including crafts and growing cress. If you are a preschooler, toddler or baby why not come along with your parent(s) or carer(s) and join us. Bright Stars are fun children's worship and activity sessions that are held on the 2nd and 4th Monday's of each month (during term time) 10:30am at St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath. The half hour Bright Stars sessions are free and are followed by refreshments and a chance to chat. Why not come and visit us? There is no need to book, just turn up!

Our remaining autumn term sessions are on:

October 10th

November 14th

November 28th

December 12th

If you would like any further information please contact:

Jo Dixon Tel.01473-622160 or Sonya Burrows Tel.01473-625196

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

With the new school year well underway, our children have settled in well and are thoroughly enjoying all our new building has to offer. Plans continue for our own secure outdoor space, and we would be really grateful to anyone who can volunteer any time, building expertise, equipment or fundraising ideas - please just speak to any member of staff.

Our 'SAPLINGS BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUB' is running successfully and is open to pre-school and primary school children from 7.30am with breakfast and a walking bus to Birchwood Primary School, (price: £3.90) The After School Club runs from 3.30pm til 6pm, includes a pick up from Birchwood Primary School and a light meal (price: £9.50). For all enquiries, please call our Booking Secretary, Sarah Tait, on 01473 614174.

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, or email news@stmichaelspreschool.org.uk.

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.

MARTLESHAM PLAYSCHOOL

Our Annual General Meeting and parents evening will take place on Thursday October 6th at 8pm at the playschool. We encourage all our parents and carers to come along to this important meeting. Refreshments will be available, and you will have the chance to chat afterwards with other parents and our staff. A number of parents have already expressed an interest in joining the committee – thank you ! But we would still urge all our parents, grandparents and carers to seriously think whether they would consider being elected to our committee. We have to have a committee to continue running.

A very important note for your diary - we are holding a Pamper Evening on Thursday November 10th from 7pm. This is taking place at St Michael's Church Centre, The Green, Martlesham Heath. We are holding this event to help raise money for EACH (East Anglia's Children's Hospices) as well as for ourselves as we are a charity-run playschool. All profits raised from the evening will be split between EACH and Martlesham Playschool. Some of the stalls will be :- jewellery stalls, accessories, manicure and pedicure, Indian head massage, chocolates, crafts, beauty therapy, cup cakes etc !! If you would like to book a table at our pamper evening please contact Kay at: kaystephens@live.co.uk If you would like tickets to this great evening please call me on the number below. Come and treat yourself to some great beauty therapies and start your Christmas shopping, there'll be lots of fantastic presents !!!

Visit our website for more details :- www.playschool.martlesham.org.uk or contact me on 01473 621315. We are registered to take children from 2 years, and accept children onto our waiting list from any area. Our children move on to all the primary schools in the area and further afield. Caroline Swale (Business Manager)

BIRCHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

New School Gardens Cooking Up a Treat! - Birchwood School already has a thriving cookery club that is supplied by its gardening club but has decided to 'supersize' the whole venture! Back in May last year, Headteacher, Steve Cloke had a vision for a whole school garden that every child could be part of and make gardening and producing an integral part of the curriculum. The nationally recognised Food For Life Partnership fitted the bill perfectly, - plant them, nurture them, harvest them, eat them/sell them - Birchwood have just entered their first award category. Perhaps one exceptional point to mention aside from the phenomenal garden facility created is the 'how' of its creation! Faced with Governmental cuts of over 60 thousand pounds 'the school budget was looking decidedly slim,' and could not stump up the cash required. This is when Steve turned to the Community Payback Scheme who provided voluntary skilled labour and his premises governor Paul Firman who became site manager, handyman, foreman and guardian angel. Paul and his wife Janet transformed the side of the school site into what is now a bespoke Food4Life garden complete with 10 raised beds, one for each class, composting bins, polytunnel and its very own 'Potting Shed!' None of this would have been possible without the kind donations from the following local businesses:

Barker Gotelee Solicitors / Lings Garden Store / Martlesham Pharmacy / Douglas Bader Public House / M&M Signs Ltd / John Grose Ltd / Milsoms at Kesgrave Hall / Parks & Open Spaces Ipswich Borough Council / RDP Accountants / Thompson and Morgan / Kings Seeds / Wyevale Garden Centre

A huge thank you to all who will hopefully joining the children at the open day on Thursday 6th Oct @ 1pm for a home made apple muffin from the garden!

Steve Cloke Headteacher

GIRLGUIDING MARTLESHAM DISTRICT

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

MARTLESHAM BRASS

'Making Music Fun in East Anglia'

This year is very special for Martlesham Brass as we are celebrating our 15th birthday! Our Birthday Concert will be on Saturday 1st October at St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath starting at 7pm. Tickets are £2.50 (children 11 and under free) from 07802 868924 or online at www.martleshambrass.co.uk. This concert includes the Bandleaders' awards to players who have improved the most over the year and there may well be a birthday cake and a rendition of Happy Birthday included in the programme! There will also be a chance to see some photo and video memories of the band from the last 15 years - it will be interesting to see to see how some members have changed over the years!

Our Preliminary Band will showcase their talents at 'Tea and Tunes' on Saturday 5th November - this is held at St Michael's Church Centre and starts at 10am. Refreshments are available all morning - please come along and support the Preliminary players. Three other advance notices to put in your diaries - a Beetle Drive on Saturday 19th November, Coffee and Carols on Saturday 3rd December and our Christmas concert on Saturday 17th December!

Our band welcomes new players young and old, with or without experience. Our aim is to encourage anyone who feels they would like to play in a brass band to come and have a go! If you would like to join us, or if you already play or have previously played a brass instrument and feel that you would like to come along and meet us, please contact us via the website or use the contact details below.

Liz Benyon. (Publicity Officer)

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01473 623276.

Registered Charity No.1100922. Visit our website

www.martleshambrass.co.uk

1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUTS

Sorry we missed the deadline for last month's edition, just wanted to record our thanks for all the support we had for our stand at Music on the Green. The games proved to be a lot of fun & raised £60 for group funds along with the donations for 2nd hand books.

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

PORTAL WOODLANDS CONSERVATION GROUP

It was great to meet so many people at the Martlesham Heath Aviation Society Fun Day. We hope to see you in the near future on one of our workdays or with your children at the Nature Watch or Explorers events.

There was great excitement in September when Nature Watch children got up close to an adder (not too close!), two grass snakes, a slow worm and a baby lizard on their reptile day. If you would like to join in this month with your children then please book a place for Nature Watch Club (5-11years) by sending an email to naturewatch.pwgc@martlesham.org.uk

There have been further sightings of the black squirrel in the woods. We would like to acquire more hand tools for the group so if you have any that you no longer use please let us have them - we don't mind if they need repairing.

Dates for the diary:

Woodlands Work Morning Sunday
16th October 10:00am-Noon. Meet at Peter's Gate just off Portal Avenue by Police Headquarters Sports Field Entrance.

Nature Watch Club Saturday 29th
October 10:00am-Noon

Subject: Trees & Fungi

For more information about PWCG and its activities or if you have any questions please email us at pwgc@martlesham.org.uk

or phone Martlesham Parish Council on 01473 612632

MALGA MOVING ON

The reality of allotments for Martlesham parish residents is getting ever closer. The Highways Agency have completed their cleaning and surveying of the main road soak away, on the land earmarked for Martlesham's first public allotments. The survey hasn't raised any major concerns, so in principle the leasing of the land and use as allotments can now go ahead. With the continued support of parish councillor Leo Brome, the Parish Council have agreed to form a working group - with two council members and two members from MALGA (Martlesham Allotment and Leisure Gardeners Association). The long-term goal is the day-to-day management of the allotments by MALGA, on behalf of the Parish Council. A number of legal

and other steps will be needed before this happens though.

So - "watch this space" (and other spaces - especially the one near Adastral Park and the main road)! If you'd like to find out more about what's currently happening or you're interested in joining MALGA - please, either send an email to malga@btinternet.com or call me on 01473 622721.

Ian Read
MALGA

MARTLESHAM IN BLOOM

Our Next events:

Jumble & Plant Sale 10.00 am to 12.00 noon Saturday 15th October in The Pavilion, Martlesham Heath
If you have any jumble/ bric-a brac please contact Jackie Bear on 01473 623007

The above sale is being held jointly with Martlesham Community Council.
Saturday 29th October Visit our stall at the Craft Fair (organised by Martlesham Community Council) in St Michael's Church Centre.

Tree(s) for the Diamond Jubilee of the Queen's reign

In February 2012 it will be the Diamond Jubilee of the Queen's accession to the throne and Martlesham in Bloom is planning to celebrate this by planting commemorative tree(s) in the parish. It is proposed to plant semi-standard Small Leaved Lime(s) and the approximate cost of a tree, including post, ties, guards and a commemorative plaque, is £100. Martlesham in Bloom would like to invite groups, societies or individuals to sponsor a tree or give a donation towards one, anyone who would like to do so please contact the secretary below.

Summer competitions and Anglia in Bloom

The results of our Summer Gardens Competitions and Martlesham's entry in the Anglia in Bloom 2011 Competition will be published in the November edition of Martlesham Monthly.

Further details on the above or if you are interested in helping Martlesham in Bloom please contact

J Maureen Burrows (Secretary) on 01473 625196.

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

Friday September 2nd. And the Community Hall was full to enjoy an illustrated talk about the history of RAF Wattisham.

Maggie Aggiss is the curator of RAF Wattisham Museum and was due to deliver the talk. Unfortunately Maggie is due to be admitted to hospital for an operation and her place was ably taken by a former MHAS member, Geoff Pleasance. Geoff is a professional aviation artist and has an encyclopaedic knowledge of the aviation history of the area.

RAF Wattisham was opened in April 1939 as a medium bomber station. On September 4th 1939, just a few hours after the declaration of war with Germany Bristol Blenheim bombers from Wattisham attacked shipping in Wilhelmshaven harbour. In 1942 it was handed over to the USAAF. It was then the home of American fighter aircraft employed as fighter cover for American daylight raids over enemy territory.

Geoff detailed the history of Wattisham until its closure by the RAF in 1993. As is well known it is now a base for the Army Air Corps. The RAF returned to operate search and rescue helicopters. It is also now the home of the Suffolk Police helicopter. A vote of thanks was given by our President, Gordon Kinsey. Our next meeting will be on Friday 7th October when the speaker will be Norman Rose. The subject of his illustrated talk will be "Remembering the Forties". Non-members are welcome for a payment of just £2.50 at the door. Meetings are held at the Community Hall, Felixstowe road and start at 7.30pm.

Our Funday on Sunday 11th September was a great success and we are grateful to all those who came and supported us. Despite the dire weather forecast lady luck beamed down at us and the weather was sunny. Unfortunately the advertised appearance of the "Battle of Britain Flight" Spitfire did not take place. This was due to high cross-winds at its base in Lincolnshire. The Spitfire has a narrow undercarriage and is susceptible to cross-winds. Our great friend, Maurice Hammond, who is based at his own private airfield in Norfolk was able to fly and gave us a short display in his own WW2 P51 Mustang. Nigel Willson and his partner, Debs. Were present in the morning. They then went to collect their Yak 52 from its base at Elmsett and Debs was at the controls to give us a further display. Our grateful thanks to them and to Maurice Hammond.

Alan Powell 01473 22458

MARTLESHAM HISTORY SOCIETY

Our next meeting will be on Monday 10th October at 8.00pm (see below for details of change of location) and we are delighted to have as our speaker Roy Hemington from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. The Commission pays tribute to the 1,700,000 men and women of the Commonwealth forces who died in the two world wars. They do this by: marking and maintaining their graves in 150 countries around the world; building memorials for people who have no known grave and and keeping records of the people who have died. Please do come along and find out more about their work and hear about the new projects that are currently under way, it will be a fascinating evening.

Important information CHANGE OF LOCATION: This meeting will be held at the Saplings Playgroup, 2 The Square, Martlesham Heath. If you are walking: head for the shops in the Square and follow the path through (newsagent and fish shop will be on your right) at the end of the path turn left, walk past the dentist and the Saplings is the next entrance on your left. If driving and you use the carparks behind the Bader/in front of St Michaels.Church: walk towards the carpark entrance (the Church will be behind you) turn right at the end and the Saplings will be on your right.

We look forward to seeing you all on 10th October, especially if you need help researching family members that died in the two world wars. Entrance fee is only £2.00. If you need any further information please call Kim Quinton 07710 322803.

MARTLESHAM CARPET BOWLS.

We have now completed the Summer Season having lost 5 away matches and 1 home and winning 5 home matches and drawing 1 away.

Several of our new members took part in these matches and played very well and they can only get better with more experience.

The programme for the Winter League 2011/2012 is now complete and we are looking forward to another successful season.

Maureen Banthorp

AVIATION GROUP HOSTS AUTUMN VINTAGE VEHICLE DAY

Suffolk Aviation Heritage Group is hosting an Autumn Vintage Vehicle Day on Sunday 16th October at its Aviation Heritage Display Centre off Foxhall Road. The open day, the final special event of the 2011 season, is expected to attract various types of historic vehicles including tractors, cars and military transport. It is also hoped that a selection of classic mopeds will be present on the day. The Aviation Display Centre and tea shop will be open as usual, with further refreshments available on the exhibition ground.

Gates will be open between 10am and 3pm. Admission will be £2-50 adults, £1 OAPs, under eighteens 50p and pre-school children free.

Proceeds will go towards the Display Centre's Roof Repair Fund. Further details of the event, the Group and the Display Centre can be found at www.suffolkaviationheritage.org.uk

SPEAK EASY AT MARTLESHAM

Members join Speak Easy for a variety of reasons, be it for business, a presentation for a wedding speech and many other reasons. One member says that becoming a member of a Speakers Club.... "helped me overcome my fears of speaking in public. When I was elected to serve as Chairman of a voluntary group, I was overcome with fear that I would have to stand up and speak to a large group of people. I made enquiries and was invited to attend a meeting as an observer. I'll just go for a short while and then leave, I thought. But I received such a warm welcome and everyone was so happy and relaxed, I stayed for the whole meeting and have attended ever since. By taking part in meetings I have developed a skill that I would never have dreamed of and now I have no fear of speaking in public. In fact I enjoy it." It is interesting to note that many members joined for a one-off event and enjoyed it so much they have become long-standing members who have discovered that speaking is a skill that can easily be developed within an informal setting. Guests are always welcome to come along to our meetings and you'll be warmly welcomed.

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.

MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

REGISTERED CHARITY NO 273769

JUMBLE, PLANT & BOOK SALE

10am- 12noon

SATURDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2011

IN

THE PAVILION,
MARTLESHAM HEATH

ADMISSION 30P

ENQUIRIES TO JACKIE BEAR ON
01473-623007

On Friday 14th October Martlesham Heath Aviation Society

proudly present a double bill evening featuring a famous test pilot, Captain Eric "Winkle" Brown.

In an extraordinary career he has flown 487 different types of aircraft. His talk is entitled, "The Race to Find advanced German Aviation Technology following WW2".

Mr Taylor Downing will give an illustrated talk entitled, "Churchill and the Boffins". At a recent lecture held in the Cabinet War Rooms in London his talk was a total sell-out. At the Thomas Theatre, Kesgrave High School.

Tickets are £7 or £5 for MHAS members. Please 'phone Ipswich 274300 or 01473 614442 or 01473 624510 for tickets

We look forward to seeing you. Future Speak Easy at Martlesham 2011 meetings:
October 13th
October 27th
November 10th
November 24th
December 8th
Further details can be found at <http://www.speakeasyatmartlesham.co.uk>
Or call Dave Nightingale Tel. 07969 598633 or
Sonya Burrows Tel.01473 625196

A NEW SHOPPING OPPORTUNITY ON YOUR DOORSTEP!

Some towns are Market Towns and occasionally the evidence of their long standing is in the name Needham Market, Wickham Market in Suffolk. Kesgrave as a newly declared Town has sadly lacked this facility. With the growing interest in buying locally produced goods that situation is now being addressed.

Complementing the Country Market held in the Scout Headquarters "High Hall" the Kesgrave Market will open on the 15th October in the "Low Hall". Initially the idea had been to hold the market on Rupert Fison Square but with the approaching winter the cover provided by the Scout building has been considered the best place to launch the market. The market will be trading from 9.00am until 1.00pm on the third Saturday of each month. Mandy Camilleri has been working hard on the Council's behalf in her capacity as Market Manager, contacting prospective stall holders and making sure there will be a variety of goods on offer. If you need to contact Mandy for further information please telephone 07925 980711 or email MarketManager@kesgravetowncouncil.org.

The type of things we hope will be available are speciality meats, cup cakes, cheeses, chutneys, jewellery and Christmas cards to name just a few. With Christmas just around the corner now is an ideal time to sample these locally produced goods.

So make a note in your diary, for the 15th October and then again for the 19th November and the 17th December. Visit the Kesgrave Market, under cover, whatever the weather.

Kesgrave Council

YOUR LOCAL COUNTRY MARKET.

Community spirit is what Country Market is all about, and as a national co-operative working together for the good of the local community is the aim of all who labour within its umbrella. With this in mind we embrace the opportunity of working alongside members of the new Kesgrave Council Market which we understand will start from the 15th October. Unlike us they will operate monthly. We shall continue serving you every Saturday at Kesgrave Scout H/Q Twelve Acre Approach usual time, and at The Pavilion, The Square, Martlesham Heath Tuesday mornings between 9am and 10.15am.

Autumn has arrived, and our thoughts move rapidly towards Christmas and all things festive. Your continued support of our market is appreciated, and we ask you to consider us when planning those parties to celebrate birthdays, Guy Fawkes events, and family occasions.

Meet friends over a cup of coffee and a bacon butty etc. on a Saturday between 9.30am and 11.30am

Margaret Gayfer
01473 623849

WOODBIDGE AND DISTRICT LIONS

Hard to believe that Autumn is upon us. October brings the annual Martlesham Heath 10K & Fun Run; an event which has grown over the years to become a significant fixture in the Suffolk Athletics calendar and a major fundraiser for the Lions. Our thanks to the numerous sponsors and supporting organisations without whom the event simply couldn't take place.

October also brings our Charter Night celebrations; this year commemorating 29 years since the Woodbridge & District Club received its Charter as a member of the International Federation of Lions Clubs.

Although Lions Clubs worldwide seek to help their local community, as an international movement we can make a real difference in the face of seemingly overwhelming challenges such as natural disasters and preventable blindness in developing countries.. Wing-Kun Tam, the 95th International President of the Lions Federation and its first from China put it "We realize that by joining with like-minded people we can accomplish great things" – his project is to see a million trees planted worldwide "We want to wrap the earth in a canopy of greenery, from Argentina to Zambia ..." What does this mean to our community? Well, as a Club we want to support the project and would

welcome enquiries from any parish in our area which can identify an opportunity for a modest tree planting scheme. Contact us on 0845 8332820 or via www.woodbridgelions.org.uk

Supplied by Peter See

For the Lions Club of Woodbridge & District

NATIONAL OSTEOPOROSIS SOCIETY IPSWICH & DISTRICT GROUP

The Ipswich & District Group of the NOS will be holding their AGM at 1.30 p.m. in St. Augustine's Church Hall, Bucklesham Road, Ipswich on Friday 7th October. This will be followed by a talk from Dr. Gavin Clunie, Consultant Rheumatologist at the Ipswich Hospital on Research, Development and New Treatments for Osteoporosis. The meeting will also give you a chance to meet the Committee and other members of the group and to show your support. We had a very good attendance last year so we hope to see as many members as possible and anyone else who feels they would benefit from coming along to the meeting then please do so – you will be very welcome. For more information on the meeting or the Group contact can be made to Diana Thomas on 01394 77337 or Barbara Branch on 01473 631673.

MARTLESHAM & DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB

Our annual indoor "garden party" this year was held to raise funds for the Air Ambulance and Community Responders. Needless to say we had great support from our members and local residents and everyone enjoyed the day especially their cream tea. There was a great deal of preparation both beforehand and on the day and it is thanks to our committee and many other helpers who worked so hard to make the day such a success. I am delighted to say that we raised £700 this year. The money will be divided equally between the Responders and Air Ambulance and I know that our efforts will be greatly appreciated. Many thanks to everyone involved.

The Club meets at St. Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath on the third Wednesday of each month at 2.30pm. The annual subscription is £12.50 with visitors welcome at £2.50 per session. There is a plant and flower arrangers stall at each meeting.

Our next meeting on 19th October will be our Open Meeting at Martlesham Community Centre with Lunch at 1pm followed by a demonstration by Mrs Linda Shackleton entitled "Autumn Splendour".

Margaret Doveston 01473 624422

MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB

At our AGM on the 16th. June our Chairman announced that we had raised £525-15p for EACH, our charity for the past year, we had also raised £29-81p in their collection box displayed at each meeting.

We returned from our summer recess on the 8th. September with Joyce Kimber entertaining us with Songs from around the British Isles. Followed on the 22nd with Lesley Benson giving a talk entitled 'What Makes Our Brain Tick' - interesting!!!!

Our programme continues as follows:-
6th. October Harvest Supper
20th October Birds of East Anglia -
Speaker Bill baston
3rd November Making Miniature
TeddyBears With Angela Pratt

We meet fortnightly in the Richard's Rooms and new members are always welcome. For more information ring our Chairman Doreen Boar on 01473 622768

MARTLESHAM WI

We have enjoyed our summer break but now look forward to returning back to our current programme which takes us up to Christmas. Our next meeting will be on 21st October in the Richards Room, Felixstowe Road (next to the Community Centre) at 7.30 p.m. Chris Parfitt will give an illustrated talk entitled 'Antarctica'. Do feel free to come along either as a visitor or with a view to joining our small friendly group. Contact can be made to Susan Cunliffe on 01394-382199

Barbara Bown

MOTHERS UNION

Members of the Mothers' Union are a very generous bunch of ladies! In a little corner of a cupboard in St Michael's Church Centre, we have a plastic grate which has a notice "MU" written on it. Members are invited to donate gifts of toiletries, linen, men's clothes and shoes and many other items, to be shared by the victims of Domestic Violence and the homeless of this area, through the Umbrella Trust.

I regularly empty this grate and pass the gifts on to the appropriate representatives of the various groups. I have never been disappointed, there are always many donated gifts, and for this I thank the members for their continued generosity.

On Wednesday 7th September members of Mothers' Union were fortunate enough to hear Rachel

Cornish talk about her work with the Umbrella Trust. Rachel is the Project Manager of the Community Resource Centre and coordinator of the Umbrella Trust. What a title!!! It became evident, as Rachel spoke that she has a great understanding and affection for many of the visitors to the Centre. There, they are offered medical and social advice, a shower and of course food. Like many agencies, the Umbrella Trust is always looking for volunteers to help in the centre.

Maybe you have a few hours to spare? Our next meeting on Wednesday 5th October will be at St Michael's Church Centre at 2.30pm The speaker on that day will be Roy Tricker. His subject "Anglican Church Characters
For more information contact Florence Fisher on 01473 631347

MARTLESHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Black Tiles Lane, Martlesham
"Christianity and Conflict"

An old hymn says "Fight the good fight with all thy might". - Christians are known for being pacifists and shun physical violence.

There are, however, many conflicts in which Christians and other people of faith are involved. There are large terrestrial conflicts where we wrestle against the seen and unseen powers of darkness. But issues such as injustice, poverty, grief and loneliness are all negative features of daily living in which Christians are often at the forefront in terms of relief and care.

The words of the hymn above come from Paul's words to Timothy. He encourages this young man to pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness, and to run away from the love of money and possessions. These are 'conflict' areas, in which we need God's help to be successful.

The date for the ultimate victory over all evil is already written in God's diary, when righteousness will cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

Some learned theologians once asked an old man if he understood the message of the book of Revelation, which he happened to be reading. They had been discussing the complicated themes in this book. "That's easy!" -He replied, - " It's simply Christ wins in the end!"

ACTIVITIES IN OCTOBER

SUNDAYS

Worship and Communion - 10.00 a.m.

TUESDAY CIRCLE

11th October - Mission to Seafarers
(Rev. Ken Martin)

WEDNESDAYS

House Group - 7.30 p.m.

THURSDAYS

Mums and Toddlers - 10.00 a.m.

FRIDAYS

Friends on Friday - 10.00 a.m.

N.B. Friday October 7th - "A Celebration of Harvest" (For further information contact John or Ruth Mellen 624401) (With coffee and refreshments)

MARTLESHAM CHURCHES

October

"Be an angel" we say when we want someone to help us. An "angel" - the word conveys a sense of love and care. Our Church on Martlesham Heath is dedicated to "St. Michael & All Angels". Who are these angels? Some are spiritual beings - bringing God's love and care to us.

But are angels just to be found in the unseen spiritual world? Don't we find them among the people we meet in our everyday lives, too? Loving and caring people who also bring us God's love and care - true angels. And shouldn't we all be angels?

St. Michael & All Angels Day is 29th September - Michaelmas Day - and our celebration at St. Michael's will be the following weekend, combining it with Harvest Thanksgiving. Some of our local "angels" have arranged a Coffee Morning on Saturday, 1st October (10 am - 12 noon), and Cream Teas on Sunday, 2nd October (2 - 4 pm).

On the Sunday afternoon at 4 pm there will be an informal "Songs of Praise", with a chance to sing some hymns about angels and about the harvest. On Saturday, 8th October we shall enjoy a Harvest Supper together.

Later in the month there will be a Confirmation Service at St. Michael's, on Sunday, 23rd October at 9.45 am, when we shall be welcoming a number of adults into full membership of the Church of England. Such a service gives us all an opportunity to think about our own Christian commitment, and to reaffirm it. Do make a note of this special service, and be sure to be there.

**Building
God's
Family
Together**

THE CHURCH IN MARPLESHAM & BRIGHTWELL

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Services for the Month	Brightwell St John's	Martlesham St Mary's	Martlesham Heath St Michael's
Sunday 2nd October 15th Sunday after Trinity	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (BCP)	9.45am All Age Worship for Harvest Thanksgiving 6.30pm Informal Worship
Sunday 9th October 16th Sunday after Trinity	6.30pm Evensong	11am Harvest Worship and Baptism	9.45am Family Communion and Junior Church
Sunday 16th October 17th Sunday after Trinity	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (CW)	9.45am Worship and Junior Church
Sunday 23rd October Last Sunday after Trinity	6.30 Evensong	11am Matins	9.45am Confirmation and Junior Church
Sunday 30th October All Saints Sunday	8am Holy Communion	11am Benefice Service	
MIDWEEK SERVICES	Holy Communion each Wednesday at 10 am in St. Michael's Bright Stars meet on Monday, 10th October A warm welcome awaits you at all our services		

PRAYER DIARY FOR OCTOBER 2011

Please use these thoughts as an addition to your daily prayers and pray for

5th The residents of Heathfield & Heathfield Mews
6th New and returning students at Uni
7th Beacon Hill School
8th Israel and Messianic Jews on "Yom Kippur"
9th The congregation at St Mary's
10th "Columbus Day": pray for USA
11th A successful harvest
12th The residents of Higgins Place
13th For opportunities to share the Christian message
14th The situation in Libya
15th Egypt: peaceful transition to democracy; protection
for Christians
16th The congregation at Martlesham Christian Fellowship
17th The bereaved
18th Birchwood School
19th The residents of Hilton Road
20th The issues underlying the summer riots
21st Breast Cancer Awareness Month (patients, families,
medics, research)

22nd Christian renewal throughout our country's churches
23rd The congregation at St. Michaels
24th United Nations Day
25th Gorseland School
26th The residents of Holfen Close
27th Justice & compassion in all areas of our nation's life
28th S Simon & S Jude (Missionaries to Persia)- pray for
God's people in Iran
29th Prisoners and Prison Chaplains
30th The congregation at Brightwell Church
31st Halloween: Pray that God's light will overcome the
darkness of the occult
November
1st Kesgrave High School
2nd The residents of Holly End
3rd Those who are in hospital
4th Start of "Hajj": Pray for Muslim neighbours and easing
of religious tensions