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TOP STREET

Although we have regular bookings for
evenings throughout the year, morning
and afternoon sessions are available. The
hall is ideal for small groups who need to
meet at a reasonable cost, discount for
residents of Martlesham.

For any queries or bookings please
contact 01473 623655.

THIS MONTH'S PHOTOGRAPH

THE ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

We will be holding our annual memorial
service on the Barrack Square on
Sunday 8th November at 3pm.

Thankfully each year we are joined by a
good contingent from the village, but we
could always do with a larger turnout.

We are able to use the BT car park to
the left of the BT Entrance so there is
plenty of parking available.

Look forward to seeing all of you!

Alan Powell 01473 622458
www.mhas.org.uk

COMMUNITY RESPONDERS

Martlesham Community Responders are a
group of 3 volunteers (funded entirely by
donations) who are trained to provide first
aid and resuscitation skills. We provide a
first response to many 999 calls received
by the East of England Ambulance Service
Trust within Martlesham, Martlesham
Heath, Waldringfield, Newbourne and
Brightwell, in support of and until the
arrival of an emergency ambulance.

For further details contact, Paul Stockdale
01473 621225 (e.mail:
paulpstockdale@btinternet.com)

THE MARTLESHAM HEATH PAVILION

The Pavilion is a great location for a
children's party at weekends. If you want
to book the Martlesham Heath Pavilion or
need more information please call the
booking secretary on 07732 199 712
Alternatively, you can book on our website:

**http://www.martlesham.org.uk/
pavilion/index.htm**

which also contains details of our current
rates and hiring conditions

POLICE

Community Police Officer PC 1732 Rachel
Cable

In case of emergencies please always call
999.

In non-emergency situations call the the
new number 101.

E-mail: the Safer Neighbourhood Team
kesgrave.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

GIRLGUIDING MARTLESHAM

For all **NEW** enquiries to join Guiding as a
young member or adult volunteer, please
visit www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested or
call 0800 1 69 59 01.

For general enquiries about Guiding in
Martlesham, please contact
Hannah Panting
(hannahpanting@hotmail.com)
Martlesham District Commissioner
Or Chris Cooper Martlesham District Wait
List Coordinator 01473 626024,

1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUTS

For all enquiries regarding joining the
group, becoming a helper or hiring of the
Scout HQ please contact Rachel Pennick
01473 610437

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMES

Tuesdays Angela close: 1.35–1.50pm
Redwold Close: 1.55–2.10pm
Falcon Mobile Home Park: 2.20–
2.50pm
Douglas Bader: 3.00–4.30pm
3 November, 1 December, 29

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

MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Working Party on Thursday 22 October 2015 at the Recreation Ground, The Street

Many thanks to all who helped on the day. A report of the activities will appear in December.

Neighbourhood Plan (NP)

Councillors and volunteers have been working hard on issues that affect our parish. They have been successful in gaining some further government grant funding to help pay for the work involved in consulting with parishioners and producing local policies. A business survey was undertaken recently with efforts to engage more effectively with the many businesses in our area. It is hoped that we will be in a position to go out to referendum by the autumn of next year, with a published plan by the end of 2016. New helpers are always welcomed! Here are the contact details:

Email martlesham2028@gmx.co.uk

www.martlesham2028.org.uk

Find us on Facebook

Leave a message at the council office
01473 612632

Consultation on Suffolk Coastal Site Allocations & Area Specific Policies

Suffolk Coastal District Council (SCDC) has asked us to bring to your attention this important consultation and have provided the following statement:

"Following on from the public consultation for the Issues and Options stage of the Felixstowe Peninsula Area Action Plan and the Site Allocations & Area Specific Policies, SCDC are publishing the Preferred Options plans for further consultation in October and November. These important documents aim

to ensure that the right policies are in place to enable the towns and parishes in the district to continue to evolve and flourish and to consider where the homes, businesses and community facilities envisaged in the Core Strategy should be built. The content of these documents will shape our communities over the next 12 years and beyond so all residents are encouraged to read the plans and contribute to the future of our district. Details of the next consultation stage are available on the Suffolk Coastal District Council website and comments can be submitted online at <http://suffolkcoastal.jdi-consult.net/localplan/> from the 19th October to 30th November 2015."

You will note in the SCDC consultation that it refers to the Martlesham Neighbourhood Plan, a work in progress referred to above, so please look out for any ways that you can contribute as our NP team continues to consult and seek input from all our parishioners. Please help to ensure that our Plan is a true reflection of what we want for our parish in the coming years.

Vegetation overhanging footpaths & roads

Please check your boundaries and ensure that no vegetation obstructs public footways or paths or overhangs roads.

What have we been doing recently?

- Inspection of footpaths in the parish with a view to carrying out any necessary works in partnership with Suffolk County Council rights of way officers
- Working party at the Recreation Ground
- Start of budget process for financial year 2016/17
- Work to revamp the Diamond Jubilee bike

trails in progress

- New bench donated by the Brethren Church installed at the end of Black Tiles Lane near the circular walk footpath
- Planning the integration of the Bloor Homes development with The Common
- Designing a work plan for the next year on The Common
- Engaging with pupils at Gorseland Primary School on the work of Parish Councils
- Maintenance work on the Community Hall car park

Forthcoming meetings:

Parish Council – Wednesday 04 November 2015

Recreation & Amenities Committee – Wednesday 11 November 2015

Finance & General Purposes Committee – Wednesday 02 December 2015

Development Plans Committee – Wednesday 09 December 2015

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.

MARTLESHAM HEATH HOUSEHOLDERS LTD

We would like to thank all those members that have paid their annual maintenance charge promptly, both by Cheque and Bank Transfer which is proving increasingly popular. We also had two successful collection days. If you have not yet paid please do so promptly preferably by Bank Transfer Please remember any cheques should be payable to Martlesham Heath Household Ltd, the bank will reject abbreviations.

We are now into the tree maintenance season and the following areas are shortly to have trees removed or trimmed :-

Forest Lane, Conifers near the windsock some to be removed others to be pollarded.

Pine Bank at the entrance to the SSSI, Birch trees to be removed which will allow the Scots Pines to flourish.

Heathfield on the Green opposite 34/36, removal of a Silver Birch that is stunting two other trees. We will also look to lift the crown on the largest tree overhanging the road.

Coopers, we are awaiting a report from our tree surgeon regarding several Silver Birch trees but you are quite likely to see work in this area.

Avocet Lane removal of a Silver Birch to the rear of 35.

Westlands removal of a Silver Birch near the footpath to the SSSI.

We take the removal of trees very seriously and only embark on this action when we have exhausted all other options. However we have a lot of self seeded Silver Birch that need managing and where appropriate we will replace any tree cut down with a suitable native species.

If you leave messages on the MHHL answerphone please leave a name and number so we can contact you if you want a response. Note this is not a manned number and may take a day or so for you to get a response.

We can be contacted on 01473 612207, or email mhh@martlesham.org.uk our website is <http://martleshamheathhouseholdsltd.onesuffolk.net>

CHRIS BLUNDELL DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2015

Devolution and the Community. Devolution is a term that has been written about in the press and other places. It is not a reality yet but rather an aspiration for the future. What is of value to the community is the Community Enabling Strategy that is being developed to cover a much wider field of topics. So far this year I have used my C. E. Budget to enable two Defibrillators to be installed, one at the Bowls Club at the recreation ground and one at the Runway Cafe on Martlesham Heath, that is at both ends of Martlesham. Also I have enabled the Disability Advice Service to upgrade their computer system, allocated funds for the Bader Court residents to have a new community wheelchair and promised to help the Girl Guide movement purchase new equipment that will also be available to the Scouts. My budget will then be almost exhausted for this financial year. I trust that my allocations meet with your approval. I am now beginning to consider strategic financial help for Martlesham in the coming financial year.

The Community Enabling Strategy is primarily concerned with strengthening 'community assets' such as organised groups and projects that do and will benefit the community as a whole. This more formal strategy is set to be rolled out on the SCDC's website and will be supported by an 'Active Communities Team' who will be deployed in order to play a lead role to embed an enhanced enabling role across the district.

This is probably the last report of mine that will be seen before the Christmas and New Year celebrations so I will take this opportunity to wish all our residents and others a very cheerful Christmas time and a Healthy and Prosperous 2016. If you would like to discuss these or any other matters with me I can be contacted on 01473 622716 or by email at www.chris.blundell@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk

JOHN KELSO'S DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Important Consultation exercise

Suffolk Coastal District Council is now in the process of carrying out a consultation exercise on its Site Allocations and Area Specific Policies Development Plan Document – Preferred Options which is to become an essential part of its Local Plan Document. This latest document produces suggested new policies in order to decide where new developments are to be built and what areas are to be protected from development, as well as, many other policy areas including environmental, retail, tourism and economic.

Martlesham has been allocated the strategic site near BTs Aadastral Park and three other possible sites at Woodbridge Town Football Club, Suffolk Constabulary H.Q. site (which I understand is now to remain as the Police H.Q. and is no longer under threat) and a site south of Bloomfields Farm Blacktiles Lane adjacent to Martlesham Primary School which is 0.5 hectares to allow for 9 new homes. However I am aware that a developer may be interested in developing the whole field to provide about 40 new homes. I believe that the three sites mentioned are to be decided upon by the Neighbourhood Plan Teams with Woodbridge taking the lead on the Woodbridge Town F.C. site.

If you care about Martlesham and value its many assets please take the time to read the above mentioned document which is available at www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk at Melton Hill H.Q. and at Martlesham Parish Council by prior arrangement with the Parish Clerk. Responses can be sent via email to suffolkcoastallocalplan@eastsuffolk.gov.uk or by writing to The Planning Policy Team at Suffolk Coastal District Council, Melton Hill, Woodbridge IP12 1AU Please feel free to copy me via my contact details below. The closing date for receiving responses at Suffolk Coastal is 30th November 2015

Possible charging for brown bin collection

At the time of writing this report no decision has been made on whether or not to charge for the brown bin collection. Suffolk Coastal is still awaiting updates and costings from the contractors that deal with this issue. I shall certainly not support any proposal to increase charges for this service.

My Community Enabling Budget (CEB)

I still have funds available in my CEB to give grant aid to any Martlesham Organisations that are considering and need funds for any projects. Please get in touch to see if I am able to help.

John Kelso District Councillor Martlesham Ward

John.kelso@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk 115, Carlford Close, Martlesham Heath 01473 631682

1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUT POST 2015

I can't believe that the 2015 Scout post is almost upon us. As usual there will be post boxes throughout the village though, at time of writing, I cannot confirm where these will be so watch out for the magazine in December which will have all the details. The boxes go out on 25th November and the closing date is 9th DECEMBER. The price this year is unchanged at 25p per card.

Please put your money in a separate envelope within your card pack and could I ask that you include your contact details in case I need to return any cards to you that I cannot send. This is very important as I cannot return any cards that are incorrectly posted without your details.

The delivery area is IP1-IP5 including Kesgrave and Martlesham village. I can also take cards for the following locations: Bramford, Claydon, Barham, Great and little Blakenham, Henley, Tuddenham, Westerfield, Sproughton, Grundisburgh, Playford, Culpho and Great and Little Bealings. These are the ONLY extra areas that we deliver to and I will attempt to return cards to you if they are not in these areas.

Thanks in advance for your support and if anyone wishes to contact me my number is 01473 612410 (evenings only)

Simon Smith

**Our 2016 calendar is now available.
Please 'phone 01473 622458
We can deliver locally**

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

*We aim to preserve the history and heritage of this former home
of the Aeroplane and Armament Experimental Establishment*



2016 CALENDAR

*Reproductions of pictures held in our
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NOVEMBER AT BRIGHT STARS

If you are a baby, toddler or preschooler who would like to brighten up your week why not come along to Bright Stars? We meet 10:30am on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month during term time at St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath IP5 3PL and welcome all preschool age children to come along with their parents and/or carers. Each session is full of fun children's activities and worship. We do crafts of all kinds, for example during the term so far we have coloured our own multi-coloured coats for Joseph and created our own paper plate of favourite foods. At sessions we have also enjoyed singing, storytelling and games. The half hour sessions are free and are followed by refreshments and a chance to chat and play until approximately 12noon. Why not come and visit us this autumn? You are welcome to just turn up on the day or feel free to give us a ring if you have any questions, we will look forward to welcoming you!

The remaining session dates for the autumn term 2015 are:

November 9th

November 23rd

December 14th

For further information please contact one of the Bright Stars team below:

Jennie Fidler Tel.07584 420729,

Sonya & Maureen Burrows Tel.01473-625196

or Sue Lambert Tel.01473-624130

CALLING ALL MUMS According to the Press a large number of children starting school already have dental fillings so at the next meeting of Martlesham Mums' Club we will have a visit from Brenda Wykes from the Suffolk Aural Health Team who will talk about 'The Care of Children's Teeth' and the 'Keep Suffolk Smiling' Campaign. The meeting will be held between 12.45 and 2.30p.m. on Tuesday, 3rd November at St. Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath. Lunch will be served around 1.00p.m. and all Mums, Grans and Carers with Babies and Toddlers are invited to join us.

Looking ahead - The December meeting of the Mums' Club will be on Tuesday, 1st December, same time and place, and will be our Bring and Share Christmas Party. The theme this year will be 'Red, Green and Sparkly' so dress in something Red or Green and Sparkle with us!!

The Drinks and Dribble Baby Cafe will be open in the main body of St. Michael's on Thursdays, 5th and 19th November and 3rd December between 10a.m. and noon. Mums, Grans and Carers with babies and toddlers are invited to drop in. We offer refreshments, friendship and toys.

For more information about Mums' Club or Drinks and Dribbles please ring Sue on 01473 624130.

THE SAPLINGS Martlesham Heath Baby Room, Preschool, Breakfast Club, After-School Club & Holiday Club

We are still having some wonderful weather! Because of this the children are still able to enjoy our outdoor space including our very popular Mud Kitchen, The children are loving digging and learning about how things grow and change this time of year. This ties in nicely with our Autumn walks which allows the children to collect leaves of all colours shapes and sizes and use them to be creative back at the nursery.

We have had more new starters and would like to say a huge welcome to Bradley, Evan, Emily, Leon and Pieter. They have all settled into Saplings life brilliantly.

On November 13th We will be holding a dress up day to support Children In Need which is something we do every year and the children enjoy coming in dressed as their favourite film or book character or even dressed as Pudsey.

Christmas is fast approaching and we have been busy making plans for our Annual Christmas fair. This year it will be held on Saturday the 5th of Dec, upstairs at the Saplings from 10am until 12pm. The event is very popular and will consist of craft stalls, creative tables and a raffle for our Christmas hamper to name just a few. Please do come along we look forward to seeing you all there.

We currently have vacancies in all our rooms, including spaces for funded two and three-year olds. Don't forget your child's funded sessions can be used across our opening hours and 'stretched' across Holiday club too.

The Saplings is open Monday - Friday, from 7.30am - 6pm for children aged 3 months -11 years. We offer term-time and year-round care, with a Baby Room, Preschool, Breakfast Club, After School Club and Holiday Club sessions and a 'Walking Bus' to Birchwood Primary School. For further information on all our term-time sessions, or Holiday Club bookings, please call our friendly team of dedicated and experienced staff on: 01473 614753, email: news@thesaplings.org.uk or visit our website: thesaplings.org.uk

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WOODBRIDGE DEBEN. Reg. Charity 1151275. Once again we are arranging for Santa to visit the Heath. You can come and see him on his sleigh, take photo's and of course tell him what presents you would like. At the same time we will be collecting for Rotary Charities. Like all Rotary Clubs throughout the World we help both Local, Country and World Wide areas of need. We have actively over the past years been giving Dictionaries for Life to Children, aged 10, at local Schools. We run a memory club for older people with memory loss. We support the supply and fitting of Smoke alarms. On wider world stage we are now finally closing in on eradicating Polio World Wide. If you would like to know more about Rotary International, it's membership etc. Contact Rotarian Ian O'B. Baker, Home Meadows House, Top Street, Martlesham, IP12 4RD phone 01394 382419

Wednesday 9th. December, Burgess Place, Lark Rise, Swann Close, Avocet Lane, Coopers Road, Lancaster Drive, York Road, Birch Road.

Thursday 10th. December, Mayfield and Lane, Heathfield and Mews, Heather and Digby Closes, The Oaks, Pine Bank, Holly End, Harvesters Way, Forest Lane.

Tuesday 15th. December Squires Lane, Stable Court, Park Place, Peelyard, Demesne Gardens, Parkers Place, The Grove, Warren Lane, Westlands, Whinfield, Broomfield and Mews.

Friday 18th. December Manor Road, Carlford Close, Saddlers Place, Valient Way, DeBrink-on-the-Green, Farriers Close, The Chase, Hunters Ride.

Start at 6p.m. end 8p.m. the roads are in the order we travel. We attempt to drive up each road. Subject to weather there could be alterations or cancellations.

1st Martlesham Heath Rangers

Invite you to join them for

Homemade Soup
in
St Michael's Church Centre

After

Carols in the Square

Monday 14th December 7pm

All profits will be split between Unit funds & a charity of the Rangers' choice.



MARTLESHAM AND KESGRAVE PLAYSCHOOLS

Before our thoughts turn, to dare I say it 'Christmas' ! I would like you all to check your diaries and see if you are free for a fun night out.....

SATURDAY 14TH NOVEMBER.....We shall be holding a quiz night at the Millennium Jubilee Hall on Grange Farm. Please put together a team of up to approx 8 and help raise money for our Playschools. We are a charity run establishment and without these fundraising events we would find it very difficult to continue to provide such fantastic settings for your children to attend.

Bring your own snacks and drinks (yes alcohol is allowed) and we can guarantee lots of fun and laughter, you may also leave with a raffle prize and a winners medal!!

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM EITHER SETTINGS OR CONTACT US ON THE DETAILS BELOW .

We are also very pleased to announce that from January our Kesgrave setting will be opening all days.

Please contact us regarding sessions as they are already filling up quickly, we can offer places for 2-5 years olds, funded and non-funded.

If you wish to find out more about either Kesgrave or Martlesham please contact us and pop in for a visit.

Charlotte-Play Manager

MARTLESHAM 01473 625986 KESGRAVE 07746907060



The Roger David Burrows Music Fund

White Elephant Sale

Includes bric a brac, books, jigsaws, plants etc.

at

The Richards Room,
Felixstowe Road, Martlesham IP12 4PB
(behind the Tesco superstore)

Saturday 7th November 2015

10.00 am to 12 noon.

Entrance free

Profits will go to The Roger David Burrows Music Fund

Grant Applications

Applications for a grant are welcome from individuals and from groups.

Application forms should be submitted to the address below by 1st January 2016.

Grants will generally be of up to £150, e.g. towards the cost of instruments, music, equipment and musical activities.

Further information about grants and application forms will be available at the above Sale or can be obtained from the website www.rogerdavidburrows.co.uk

or from -

The Roger David Burrows Music Fund
c/o The Burrows family,
17 Squires Lane,
Martlesham Heath
Ipswich, Suffolk IP5 3UG.
Tel. 01473 625196

BIRCHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

We would like to thank all that took the time to come along to our first Farmers Market at the end of September. With your help we have raised an impressive £233.05 which will go towards our Gardens and growing more produce for the next market. We are hoping to have one every 6 months and will publish details of this nearer the time.

You may have noticed whilst driving around Eagle Way our Reception class have been very busy making the hedgehog signs to make drivers aware to be careful of our hedgehog population and drive carefully.

If your child is due to start primary school in September 2016 your application for this needs to be in by Friday 15th January 2016. If you would like to come along and view Birchwood Primary before submitting your application please call us on 01473 610701.

BRIDGE FARM DAY NURSERY CELEBRATES 'OUTSTANDING' OFSTED AWARD!

Bridge Farm Day Nursery in Martlesham is celebrating an 'outstanding' grade in its most recent Ofsted inspection. The Ofsted Inspector stated that the nursery is "very responsive to the children's changing interests and needs. Children make outstanding progress because of the skilful support they receive from the experienced and well qualified staff"

The manager of the nursery, Joanne Brock, opened Bridge Farm Day Nursery 7 years ago having previously worked for the company at Rendlesham Day Nursery. The Ofsted report had this to say on Jo and her team, "Management and staff all share the same vision to provide each child with the highest quality learning experience."

Jo herself says said "We are so pleased to join our sister nursery in getting an outstanding Ofsted grade. I am very proud of my staff for creating such an outstanding setting in which the children can thrive."

Rendlesham Day Nursery was opened in 2005 by husband and wife team, Dan and Tina Powick who started as childminders in Woodbridge 13 years ago before opening Bridge Farm Nursery in 2008. In 2009, Dan became one of the first men in Suffolk to achieve a level 6 Early Years Professional Status which is the gold standard for the early years. In 2015 Bridge Farm Day Nursery also opened its new 24 place, purpose built Pre School. One parent who is a teacher at a local school gave the following testimonial, "Dear Dan, We just wanted to say a special thank you to you for the fantastic care that Jemima has received over the past three years in both Rendlesham and Bridge Farm Nurseries. Your staff are such a credit to you and the teaching is truly outstanding. The teams in both nurseries have all played a part in preparing Jemima for her next step - "big school" We can not express strongly enough our gratitude to you all."

Both nurseries offer care all year round from 8am-6pm and have separate Baby, Toddler and Pre-school rooms in spacious and well equipped purpose build premises. All the rooms are fitted with safe and secure web cams so parents are able to log on to watch their children while they play. Parents feel reassured that management and staff have 100% confidence in their ability to give the children the best possible start. For more information please call 01394 388062 or visit www.bridgefarmdaynursery.co.uk

PORTAL WOODLANDS CONSERVATION GROUP

Well, the Nature Explorers went on their fishing expedition to catch the goldfish in the pond. The first task was to remove some of the weed to make clear areas to be able to see the fish and catch them with nets. However, despite best efforts the fish were nowhere to be seen, but at least we did clear the pond which had become quite clogged with weed and bulrushes. We were surprised to find a non-native invasive pondweed, called New Zealand pigmyweed, probably brought in by ducks which occasionally drop in. This weed could have been very destructive to the pond life due to the density that it grows and the amount of oxygen it removes from the water.

Clearing the pond was also of benefit, as the next day the Nature Watch Club members were pond dipping. This was another opportunity to spot the goldfish but again no luck. In contrast, the pond dipping was very successful with lots of interesting creatures being caught, including dragonfly and damselfly larvae, water boatmen, backswimmers, snails and water beetles. Of particular note were freshwater pea clams – a good indicator of a healthy pond, and best of all, a great crested newt larva. The great crested newt is protected by British and European law due to its decline in numbers over the past century, so it is fantastic to know that we have a breeding population in our pond.

So despite the fish in the pond, we have a thriving and healthy pond. Perhaps the fish have become a nice meal for herons, or they might just be hiding well, so we will still keep an eye out for them.

Dates for the diary:

Volunteer work morning, Saturday 21st November, 10:00-Noon.

Nature Watch Club (5-11yrs old), Sunday 1st November, 09:00-11:00 (date changed from 25th October), subject Nocturnal Animals.

Nature Explorers (11-18yrs old), Saturday 21st November, 09:00-11:00.

New volunteers are always welcome. Please contact us by email:

pwcg.martlesham@gmail.com, phone: 01473 612632 or check our website:

pwcg.onesuffolk.net for further information.

1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUTS

The Douglas Bader have generously offered us the chance to benefit from their quiz night on Sunday 22nd November.

If you'd like to enter a team of up to 6 people please contact The Bader to book a table and support the Scout group.

MARTLESHAM BRASS

'Making Music Fun In East Anglia'

We hope everyone enjoyed our Birthday concert on 10th October, and congratulations to all our members who received awards that evening.

Our bands will be paying their respects on November 8th at the Remembrance Day Parade in Woodbridge, and also at St Mary's Church in Martlesham.

Some advance dates for your diaries - Coffee and Carols at St Michael's Church Centre on Saturday 5th December, Carols in the Square, Martlesham Heath on Monday 14th December, and our Christmas Concert on Saturday 19th December, also at St Michael's Church Centre. There will be further details next month.

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. Please be aware that we currently have a waiting list for beginner players.

Liz Howard. (Publicity Officer)

e_m_howard@talk21.com 01473 625617
Registered Charity No.1100922. Visit our website www.martleshambrass.co.uk

KESGRAVE HIGH SCHOOL WORLD RECORD

Very few school children can declare that they have a world Record to their name but after a year of dedicated preparation students from 'Space Club' at KHS were extremely pleased to discover that their project had been, as yet unofficially, successful.

Towards the end of the summer term it was looking likely that the launch of a helium balloon along with a paper plane with the aim of breaking the 'Highest altitude paper plane launch' was imminent. Deciding on a date that did not interfere with exams or coincide with a particularly bad Jet Stream forecast was foreseeably tricky but eventually a day was set upon that suited all.

Early on Wednesday the 24th of August the Kesgrave High School mini bus with 16 pupils were driven to the launch site by Mr Green of the Science Department who leads the club. Accompanying them was Steve Randall; a local high altitude ballooning expert who had constructed the payload, provided them with the necessary know-how and oversaw the whole operation of launching as an expert. He had also assisted in the launch of two previous 'Stratos' Projects; so called because the height at which the balloon bursts is within the boundaries of the Stratosphere. Whilst some were instructed to arrange the equipment unloaded from Steve's Landrover in the correct fashion, others were preparing a live broadcast that would be streamed live to a YouTube Channel. The content of the broadcast was primarily concerning the preparation preceding the launch as well as including updates about the progress of the balloon.

Prior to the launch day groups were organised that had their own roles to play- ensuring the day was a success. A prototype of the payload was created using polystyrene. It faintly resembled a cage

so as to release heat generated by camera batteries in the atmosphere where there is little or no air in which convection or conduction can occur. Gaps were included to allow the two Go-Pros; mounted at different angles to film the curvature of the Earth in one instance and the descent and releasing of the plane in another. A servo was also installed which performed as the dropping mechanism for the plane-namely the hook rotated at a programmed altitude and detached from a bar running the length of the plane. G.P.S. was also used to track the progress of the balloon.

The planning of the plane began with a competition to determine the design of the plane. The best version was the plane that travelled furthest whilst gliding. Adaptions were made to the winner; reducing weight and converting the colour to black to differentiate between cloud and plane when the time came to launch. Tests were also undergone to decide the coating of the plane to keep it intact whilst passing through a cloud. The plane was also ornamented with logos and text to be aesthetically pleasing but also providing an address to return the plane to should it be discovered.

In order to gain an official record a whole variety of evidence had to be provided as well as a witness. Hopefully all the assembled evidence, see the KHS Space club channel, met with the conditions needed but still the reply is anticipated with bated breath. Whether it becomes official or not the club were able to release their plane at 35km; several thousand feet higher than any other in the world.

Since the original writing of this article the record has been officiated; congratulations to all involved.

George Pennick

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

Our meeting on Friday, 2nd October featured an illustrated talk by Kryś Lanowski, the proud son of a former Polish airman.

Witold Lanowski was born in 1915 and was destined to fly for the air force of four different air countries! At the fall of Poland in 1939 he was an instructor teaching Polish air force cadets. When his country was invaded he walked most of the way to the south of France and was captured on the way but managed to escape. He flew for the French air force against the Germans before escaping once more from the advancing German army. He arrived in England during the "Battle of Britain" and then flew with the Free Polish RAF where he flew the Spitfire. The Mk1, 2, VB and IXc.

Witold Lanowski obtained a transfer to the USAAF in March 1944 and mostly flew the Republic P47, with "Zemkes Wolfpack", the 56th Fighter Group USAAF at Halesworth.

An extraordinary career and a vote of thanks was given by our Vice President, Alan Smith.

Our next monthly meeting will be on Friday, 6th November and we look forward to an illustrated talk by Clive and Linda Denney who run "Vintage Fabrics," a company that renovates, re-covers and paints vintage aircraft. The talk, which includes video footage, is entitled, "Biggin Boys." Clive is himself a display pilot and flew in the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Britain display at Biggin Hill.

Promises to be a very good evening by an old friend of our society. Meetings are held in the Community Hall, Felixstowe road and start at 7.30pm, with a tea/coffee break. Non-members are welcome for a payment of £3 at the door

Alan Powell 01473 622458 www.mhas.org.uk

MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP

Autumn is a good season for mushrooms. They will be around in the cooler damper period before the cold and frosty nights really take hold. Look out for the striking red and white spotted Fly Agarics (toxic) that grow beneath Birch trees. and so are more common on the heath. Late September and early October were comparatively warm some butterfly species such as the Small Copper were still on the wing in early October. Most birds have given up singing as they no longer hold territories or have migrated away. The Robin however is a notable exception that sings regularly in the autumn as both the males and females hold their own separate territory outside the breeding season. Looking ahead to colder weather we should look out for an influx of migrant birds such as Redwings, and Fieldfares and may be even colourful Waxwings feeding on berries.

Our work party will take place on Sunday 8th November at 10 am. Please meet on the heath SSSI next to the bonfire site towards the north west part of the heath. We will aim to burn up the cut scrub material left over from last winter's activities, assuming the weather is favourable. All are welcome, all tools and equipment are provided

Over the last year we undertook various surveys including birds in the woodland, and butterflies on the heath. The Silver Studded Blue butterflies seem to have been present in similar numbers to last year. Please come and join us for our AGM on Monday November 16th at 7:45pm in the Parish Room on Old Felixstowe Road when we will discuss the results of our surveys and other aspects of our local wildlife.

Phil Smith 01473 625630

NEWS FROM THE LIONS CLUB OF WOODBRIDGE & DISTRICT

As Autumn moves on, the sun finally shone on our last car boot sale of the year and we saw a good number of stall holders and buyers. Our thanks to everyone who has supported this event over the summer and to the management of Budgens, Woodbridge for permission to use their car park.

At this time of year our thoughts and fundraising efforts turn towards the Christmas parcels project. The growing number of customers at food banks testifies to the continuing value of this long-running project. Our next event will be an Art Sale on Saturday 7th November, held once again at the Quay Street Church. Thanks to Kesgrave Art Club for their support, a third of proceeds will be donated to Lions' charities. With no painting priced over £25 there should be something to suit every pocket.

For more about the Lions and what we do, and for reports of this year's Martlesham Heath 10k, 5k and Fun Run, please visit our website, www.woodbridgelions.org.uk, or for a no obligation chat with one of the Lions, please call 08458 332820.

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST

On Thursday 19th November at 7:30pm we have an illustrated talk by Gen Broad on "Traditional Orchards" in the Woodbridge Community Hall. All are welcome, no need to be a member to come along. Admission is £2.50.

On December 17th at 7:30pm we have a Christmas Quiz with mince pies and mulled wine, also in the Woodbridge Community Hall. All are welcome no need to be a member to come along. Admission is slightly higher at £3.50.

For further information please telephone 01473 625630 or e-mail swtwoodbridge@outlook.com

Phil Smith 01473 625630

WOOLLEY WONDERS

Sorry for mixup with dates in last month's edition.

In November the knitting group will meet as usual at the coffee shop on 5th at 10 a.m. but will be going shopping for Christmas craft ideas at The Range in Ipswich. Lifts available.

On 18th the fundraising co-ordinator from AgeUK Suffolk will be collecting all the hats we've been knitting, for the Innocent Smoothie bottles. AgeUK Suffolk receive 25p for each bottle sold.

Look forward to seeing you at the Runway Cafe 10-12.

Rachel Pennick 01473 610437

MARTLESHAM CARPET BOWLS

We have made a start to the Winter League. Our first game was against Nayland which we won 8 - 2 We have also entered the Joe Rice Cup which is a knock out competition which is played each year. We were drawn against Old Felixstowe and managed to win. Our competitors in the next round will be Brantham. We also played Old Felixstowe in a Woodbridge v Felixstowe local Cup Competition On this occasion they beat us which just goes to show it really is 'on the night'.

During the early autumn there are several Charity 4's competitions organised, We entered a team at Tattingstone. They did not disgrace themselves ending up mid table winning 2 games and losing 2. During September we entered a team in the Heritage league and 3 teams in the Bealings competition. 1 of these made it to the semi final. On the day over £600 was raised for Diabetes UK. Congratulations to Bealings for such a stalwart effort.

It looks as though this month is going to be a busy one for us with many matches organised. Hopefully we can build on our good start against Nayland. More news of this next month

Judith Longman

AGM -

MARTLESHAM HEATH PAVILION

The AGM of the Martlesham Heath Pavilion Management Committee will be held at

8pm on Tuesday, 1st December, 2015 at the Pavilion.

This is your chance to hear how this well-used and popular facility is doing.

All welcome - light refreshments will be available.

After the AGM there will be a brief outline of plans for the committee to become an incorporated body, under Charity Commission rules. This change allows us to update our constitution and relationship with the Charity Commission but will not affect the day-to-day running of the pavilion. More information to follow in 2016.

THE RUNWAY COFFEE SHOP

We can't believe it, but The Runway has been open for 5 months and we are growing daily. The Woolley Wonders now meet fortnightly and enjoy a chat and a cuppa and if you come the Thursdays in between you may find a couple of knitters happily chatting in a corner. Friends on Friday have met here a couple of times if the main hall has been unavailable and amongst them all we have our ever growing number of thirsty customers.

We started talking about this project about 2 years ago and when we saw the need for a not for profit coffee shop in the village shortly afterwards, in Martlesham Monthly, we got very excited, believing that this was indeed a service the church could offer our community.

We currently open Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 9am - noon. However, we are wondering if longer hours would be useful to some people. We aren't able to provide much more than cakes and scones but we did wonder if people, particularly workers, would find it useful to have a clean, dry place to eat their sandwiches and enjoy a hot drink and a cake, particularly in the cold weather. So, for a trial period over November and December we will be opening until 2pm on weekdays. We can offer you a mug of hot soup and the usual tea, coffee and cakes, but bring your own sandwiches to eat.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

The Runway Team

MARTLESHAM W.I.

Say the words "Annual General Meeting", and everyone runs for cover! But our AGM on Friday November 20th at 2.15 is a really important meeting as we will be electing a new President, Pat Brown having completed her three year term. We elect our President each year, but we have a by-law that limits her term to a maximum of three years - so it's not a life sentence and we get the benefit of a continuous input of fresh ideas. We shall be having a W.I. Advisor to help us through the formalities and after refreshments we will have something more light-hearted including a display of hobbies. So if you are already a member do come along to this important event and have your say, and if you are thinking of joining it's a good time to see who's who. And it might even be fun!! And be assured, no one will be pressured into doing anything if they are not willing.

Remember that in September we were looking forward to our Centenary Picnic at Glemham Hall. Well maybe you also remember that on that day the heavens opened and all thoughts of elegant picnics on the grass went out of the window. But hey - we're the W.I. and a bit of rain wasn't going to spoil our fun. About 700 of us squashed into a marquee, tea and cake was served, music was played and some people managed to find space to dance. A memorable afternoon.

More information from Anne on 01394380110.

Susan Cunliffe

MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB

We were delighted to welcome some more new members to our entertaining talk about the Seaman's Mission.

We have two meetings planned for November. On 12th November we are holding a Pottery Workshop when the artistic members can paint a plate or some other item for a Christmas present. Then on 26th November Jane Parker, a local registrar, will give a talk entitled Hatch, Match and Despatch.

Plans are already being made for our 'Christmas' Lunch (to be held in January) at a local restaurant.

We are pleased to welcome new members to our friendly, informal evenings which are held on alternate Thursdays at 7.30pm in the Richards Room. For more information contact Doreen Boar 01473 622768.

WHAT IS A LOCAL PRODUCER?

It's someone who lives in your neighbourhood, who grows vegetables and plants in season, who makes onion jam, chutneys and cakes from locally grown and milled ingredients, perhaps using eggs from their neighbour's hens. Crafts are popular and your neighbours might surprise you with their skills and the quality of their products.

Our country market brings everyone together - specialist cooks can make traditional and gluten-free pizzas and treats and take special orders for your family and freezer. There's honey and beeswax: have the same bees been buzzing in your garden? Hand-made crafts use locally sourced fabrics and materials for bags and pretty gifts. You'll find knitwear, crochet work, and unique practical and pretty items in all shapes and sizes and to suit all pockets - and meet the makers.

Prices reflect the work that is put into making, growing, baking and nurturing what you see at the market and the quality of the raw materials. There are bargains to be found and our prices are competitive, especially for one-off and special items you can't find elsewhere.

Our cooks use approved packaging and hold hygiene certificates. Jewellery, sewn and knitted garments and bags must be up to standard. We only sell what we make - nothing's bought-in or mass-produced. You can talk to our butcher, our gardeners and bakers and makers and learn about the British Lop pig, a rare breed, about the pretty Kesgrave geranium, how to grow herbs and how to wash your new knitwear. Why not order some unique beaded jewellery to match your new outfit?

Visit us to see our range of fresh food and handmade crafts at Kesgrave Market - Saturdays, 9.30 - 11.30, Scout H/Q, Twelve Acre Approach, near Tesco and at Martlesham Heath Market, behind the Douglas Bader pub - Tuesdays, 9.30 - 11.15. There's tea, coffee and eatables at both venues.

We need more cooks, crafters and producers: would you like to join us? Please call friendly Rita Jones, 01473 272276, for more information or come and meet us.

Find us on Facebook - Kesgrave and Martlesham Country Market

MARTLESHAM CHURCH

CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

SATURDAY 28th NOVEMBER

10am to 12 noon

At ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH CENTRE

Coffee, Sausage rolls & Mince pies

Raffle and various stalls

FATHER CHRISTMAS

With a children's corner

EVERY ONE IS MOST WELCOME

All proceeds for church funds

THE MOTHERS UNION

On Wednesday November 4th at
2.30pm in St Michael's Church Centre.

The speaker will be from The British
Legion to talk about The Poppy Appeal.

All most welcome.

WICKHAM MARKET FLOWER CLUB

As a vibrant friendly club we would love to
see new members joining us.

The first visit is free.

Come along and enjoy the beauty of
watching professionals demonstrating how
to arrange flowers.

For more information please contact June
Allum on Woodbridge 01394 - 384803.

Thoughts from your Parish Church.

I have decided to write this article wearing my Mothers' Union hat.

Mothers Union is part of the Church of England, but members come from all Christian faiths

I first joined MU in 1970 and it wasn't very long after that I was asked if I would take on the job of secretary. I did this for many years under at least three leaders. I didn't realise until I joined, just what MU did in Suffolk, England and indeed around the world.

At the present time there are approximately 4 million members in 83 countries.

After a few years, I was asked to join the board of Trustees for St Edmundsbury and Ipswich. It is so easy for us all to say "no" but at some point someone has to say "yes" and I am very glad I did just that. I have been able to arrange at least a dozen holidays, to Scotland, Ireland, Wales, The Isle of Man and other places within the UK. Outings to Ely, Norwich, Chelmsford and Cambridge.

Created a cookery book for students and set up a way of helping victims of domestic violence.

My life has been so enriched by joining this Christian Charity. Martlesham has one of the biggest branches in Suffolk. Why don't you give it a try?

Mothers' Union was started by Mary Sumner in 1876. Her personal prayer was:-

"All this day, O lord, let me touch as many lives for thee; and every life I touch, do thou by thy spirit quicken, whether through the word I speak, the prayer I breathe, or the life I live"

Go on.....give it a try!

Monica Twaits

All Saints Day Remembrance Service

Every year at St Mary's we remember departed loved ones at a special service. This year the service will take place at 3pm on 1 November in St Mary's church. Everyone is welcome. We name those who have died and if you would like us to include someone, please let us know beforehand or simply tell us before the service starts.

Rev Margaret Rittman

THE ORWELL SINGERS - CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Orwell Singers will be holding their Christmas Concert called 'Ring In Christmas' on Saturday 5th December at 7.30 pm at St Michael and All Angel's Church, Martlesham Heath, IP5 3PL. Carols will range from the medieval 'Lullay my Liking' to the modern day 'The Carol of the Refugee Children'. There will also be singing of traditional carols for the audience to join in. Entry at the door will be £8.00 for adults and 50p for accompanied children and will include sherry and mince pies. For more information please telephone 01473 635955 or email d.sharman@btinternet.com.

JOURNEY OF THE MAGI SPRINGS DANCE COMPANY

Step out of the rush to Christmas this year and pause to reflect on the festive season. This inspirational evening of dance, music and drama, has been the Company's most popular performance to date.

Inspired by TS Eliot's poem, the performance helps audiences to reflect on not only the famous journey the wise men made following the star to Jesus, but also the 'journey' each of us makes every year in preparing for Christmas Day.

Journey of the Magi is an ingenious mix of dance and theatre, enjoyed by children and adults alike.

Saturday 28th November 2015 at 7pm

Farlingaye High School New Hall, Ransom Rd, Woodbridge, IP12 4JX

tickets: adults: £10, over 60s: £9, under 18s: £7 box office: 01394 383162 or online
www.stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk/journeyofthemagi show preview: <https://vimeo.com/107646799>

www.springsdancecompany.org.uk/theatres www.stjohnswoodbridge.org.uk

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Services for the Month	Martlesham Heath St Michael's	Martlesham St Mary's	Brightwell St John's
Sunday 1st November	9.45am All Age Service	11am Holy Communion (Prayer Book)	8am Holy Communion
Sunday 8th November	9.45am Holy Communion with Junior Church 3pm Remembrance Service Barrack Square	10.50am Remembrance Service	6.30pm Evensong
Sunday 15th November	9am Breakfast @9	11am Holy Communion	8am Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd November	9.45am Holy Communion with Junior Church	11am Morning Prayer	6.30pm Evensong
Sunday 29th November	10.30am Benefice Service		
Midweek Services	Holy Communion each Wednesday at 10 am in St. Michael's. A warm welcome awaits you at all our services		

Prayer Diary Please include the following as an addition to your daily prayers

November

- 4th. Safety and fun on Bonfire Night
- 5th. Children affected by war
- 6th. All enjoying football on the Green
- 7th. Remembrance Sunday: for all who continue to grieve and suffer

8th. Give thanks and pray for our neighbours

- 9th. All who work at and visit the Country Market
- 10th. Armistice Day: for an end to existing wars
- 11th. The residents of Jackson Court
- 12th. Our fellow human beings uprooted as a result of conflict
- 13th. Those who dread the dark evenings
- 14th. Those leading church services today

15th. The Guide and Scout Movements In our area

- 16th. Give thanks and pray for our local Medical Centres
- 17th. The residents of Laburnum Gardens
- 18th. Wisdom for our national and local politicians

- 19th. Our Diocese on St Edmund's Day
- 20th. The work of the Conservation Groups
- 21st. That we may acknowledge Christ as King in our lives
- 22nd. Young people meeting in the Runway Café**
- 23rd. Those waiting for Hospital appointments
- 24th. The residents of Lancaster Drive
- 25th. Members of different faiths
- 26th. Our local schools: staff and pupils
- 27th. Newcomers to our area
- 28th. Advent Sunday: that we may prepare for Christ's coming
- 29th. The people of Scotland on St. Andrew's Day**

December

- 1st. Carers making it possible for us to continue living at home
- 2nd. The residents of Lark Rise
- 3rd. Those who keep our roads safe in wintry weather
- 4th. All organisations based in the Square