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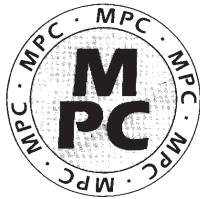
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MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Park and Ride

The planning application for the Park and Ride site has just been received and contrary to what the council had been told earlier any comments/objections from members of the public have to be with the County Council by 6th September and the Parish Council has been given until 13th September.

Plans and supporting documents are available for inspection at Suffolk Coastal District Council's offices; the Parish Council also has a set which residents can look at by prior arrangement with the Clerk.

The Parish Council has arranged a Public Meeting for Thursday 5th September in the Parish Room, Felixstowe Road, at 730pm

The Parish Council's Development Plans Committee will finalize the Council's response at its meeting on Wednesday 11th September

If you have any comments please let the Clerk know in writing or by e-mail.

New Councillor

At the July Parish Council meeting we were pleased to welcome Peter Niven who was co-opted as a parish councillor.

Grants

Any parish organization or society that may need financial assistance from the parish council next year (2003/04) should obtain an application form from the Clerk and submit the completed form and supporting information to the Parish Clerk by 18th November. The November meeting of the council's Finance & General Purposes Committee will be considering all such applications as part of its budget preparations

Parish Plan

The Parish Council has agreed to proceed with a Parish Plan and consider setting up a steering committee to coordinate the work. The purpose of the plan is to consult with all residents to find out what are their views, concerns, needs and aspirations regarding all aspects of our community. We can then work to plan to fulfill or resolve these as much as we are able and try to further improve the community and its facilities. The

plan will also be very useful in our liaison with and consultations from the district and county councils and other agencies.

There will be a Public Meeting on Monday 23rd September 8.00pm in the Pavilion, Martlesham Heath - all welcome.

Anybody who may be interested in helping with this please let the Clerk know.

Governor for Birchwood School

The Parish Council is seeking someone to be the Parish Council's governor at Birchwood School; anybody who is interested please contact the Clerk.

Temporary closure of Martlesham Hill/Top Street

By the time you read this work should have started on building the new roundabout at the junction of Ipswich Road and Martlesham Hill (off Top Street). We were given short notice of the actual date and only found out details of arrangements for the buses more recently. There will be no buses going through Top Street and instead all buses to and from Woodbridge will come as far as Crown Point from Black Tiles or Tesco as appropriate and then turn round; there will be temporary bus stops in Ipswich Road near the new roundabout. The County Council expect the works to take about 3 months but if you have any queries their contact is Andrew Pearce on 01473 583244.

For your interest the road that goes uphill from Top Street towards Woodbridge has always been known as Martlesham Hill.

Drunken disorder in The Square and on The Green

Following earlier incidents of the above there has been a meeting with the police, Suffolk Coastal District Council, MCL and Bidwells about the possibility of an alcohol ban on both The Square and The Green. We were advised that there were not sufficient grounds for an "alcohol ban" but a record is now being kept of any such incidents to see if such a ban is needed and can be justified; the police did advise, however, that they had sufficient powers to deal with any problems should they arise.

Website

There is now a Martlesham Parish Council website with lots of information about the parish, the parish council and parish activities; we welcome any comments or suggestions. Its address is www.martlesham.suffolk.gov.uk

Meetings Parish Council-
Wednesday 4th September and 2nd
October Development Plans
Committee - Wednesday 11th
September Recreation & Amenities
Committee - Wednesday 18th
September Finance & General

Purposes Committee - Wednesday
25th September

All meetings are at 7-30 pm in the Parish Room, Felixstowe Road but please check the notice boards for further details of the above and other meetings.

All meetings are open to the public and there is an opportunity at Council meetings for residents to ask questions or make comments to the council.

The Council have adopted the new Model Code of Practice (as have most other councils) which will help ensure that your parish council continues to be fully open in its business and accountable to all parishioners.

Contacting the Council

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

Telephone or fax 01473 612632

Via any councillor.

E-mail :

martleshampc@btclick.com

MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

(Registered Charity 273769)

Not surprisingly, a quiet month although our projects continue to make progress. We have had the successful launch of the skate board club 'Friction' and some promising progress on a drop in centre for the area. I won't do what the papers do and fill the space with silly stories, so, in brief:

SKATE PARK (Rosy Scott leading)

The club has now got 15 members and a BBQ is planned in August to attract more. They have just received a grant from the Parish Council to get the club up and running. For more news, see Rosy's entry elsewhere in the Monthly. If you'd like to get involved please contact Rosy on 610440 or email rosy.scott@talk21.com

OTHER 'YOUTH' PROJECTS

There are 6 adults who have now been to see how the Woodbridge drop in centre is run and are now receiving their 'basic training'. It is hoped to start a drop in centre for the Martlesham area in early Autumn - probably at the Scout Hut. More news next month.

SPORTS HALL (Jackie Bear leading) For more information on this project, contact Jackie on 623007 or e-mail jacque.bear@btinternet.com

SPORTS & SOCIAL CENTRE
(Recreation Ground project - Jackie Bear & Chris Green leading)

The working party on this project has met to discuss a reply from the Charity Commission. Basically, the old village hall committee can transfer charity status to a new building and the old building land sold. A public meeting must be held to approve and this will be progressed by the working party. The old hall would not be vacated until a new building is ready. Revised plans for a new building should be available soon having taken on board requirements from various parties and the need for a lower cost building.

Dave (MCC scribe),

dave.green@btinternet.com

LETTERS

Dear Surgery,

We are distressed to learn of the difficulties

you are experiencing concerning the need for medical personnel to assist Dr.Schurr!

We are sure that all of us as Patients, are most grateful for the interest and care that we always receive when we feel the need for counsel etc! We are sure that we speak with a united voice in hoping the Doctors will soon be forthcoming!

Very sincerely,

Grateful Patients.

Dear Friends

I am writing to see if anyone would be interested in starting a group up for young single people between the ages of 25 - 40 years in Martlesham Heath area for social events and generally meeting new people. There are other groups for parents and children, for the over 55's but nothing for the in between groups. If anyone is interested or are willing to put their views across please write to The Monthly at 17 Lark Rise and they will be passed to me.

A Heath Resident.

SAVE OUR POSTMAN "DARREN" CAMPAIGN

I would like to say thank you very much indeed, from the bottom of my heart to all Martlesham Heath residents, who took the time to sign the petition "Save our Postie". I have been truly emotionally touched by the kindness of everybody - Bless you all!

A big thank you to the families who rallied round to start the campaign and then did all the paperwork as well as organize and collect the signatures throughout

Martlesham Heath where I deliver to.

Special thanks to Mr & Mrs Hewitt and my little ladies, Mr & Mrs Green, Mr & Mrs Gleen, Mr & Mrs Firman. Mr & Mrs Blundell, Mr & Mrs Dooley and everyone concerned who I may have missed. I am still saying my prayers that we might get a reprieve, so all this work has not gone to waste, although it has made me feel very proud and honoured to have been able to know and serve all my customers throughout the eight years at Martlesham Heath.

I will obviously keep you posted of any new developments.

Once again many thanks on behalf of my family and my self for being such good customers, it is really appreciated!

Love and best wishes to you all
Darren (Postie) and family.

MARTLESHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our August meeting was held on Tuesday, 12th at St Michael's Church Centre when an audience of close to 100 enjoyed a two part programme.

The evening opened with the premier public performance of a film "Golden Days made in the 1970s at St Edmunds School, Kesgrave Hail. Many of the audience were former pupils or their parents and the film clearly evoked many happy memories.

After the film we went back in time to the 1920s and 30s when Gordon Kinsey told us of his memories of the Hail when his father was head gardener there. As always, Gordon's talk was full of interest and had touches of humour and, of course, a measure of sadness when the Hail, its owners and their staff became the victims of Death Duties.

A vote of thanks was proposed by our Chairman, Canon Lillistone to both the projectionist and to Gordon.

Our next meeting will be on October 8th when the subject will be "Roman finds in Suffolk". More details in next month's "Monthly".
John Tyler Tel. 612736

VILLAGE DAY

Music on the Green

There will be an Inaugural AGM on Friday 27th September at 8.00pm at The

Pavilion. The purpose of the meeting will be to adopt the constitution and

Elect the committee to organise Village Day 2003, All welcome.

Paul Firman

PORTAL AVENUE WOODLANDS MANAGEMENT/ CONSERVATION GROUP

The Group's summer holiday has now nearly finished and as the wildlife mating period ends, our own frenzy of activity will pick up. The Chipper/Shredder has had its rest and servicing, and will soon come back into operation to limit the build up of arsonist material, and to improve wet weather path surfaces by use of the shredded material.

The feedback from our display at 'Music on the Green' was good and several people indicated that they would like to help. We will keep our fingers crossed as all volunteers are welcome. We also walked a party of 64 schoolchildren through the Wood to the Parish Rooms, where we put on a display and then walked them back to Gorseland School. They seemed to enjoy it and we had a nice letter of thanks. The younger we can interest children in the management/conservation of the woodland the better.

Apart from the normal birds and insects in the Wood we have had two new sightings. The first has been the appearance of several stag beetles, both male and female. This beetle is Britain's largest beetle, the male growing up to 2 inches long with what look like nasty pincers, but actually harmless. We will be constructing insect habitats in the winter with the trunks of thinned trees and will report these sightings to the People's Trust for endangered species who are currently carrying out a survey. The other visitors for the last 3 weeks have been a family of Sparrow Hawks, interesting for us, but not welcomed by the other woodland birds!

The next two working days are the 14th of September and the 6th of October. As always we meet at the entrance to the Force HQ Sports field at IOam for a two hour session of work and all are welcome.

The other date for diaries is the 17th of October for the Annual General Meeting at the Parish Rooms at 7pm. We will be formulating the next annual work plan', amending the Management/Conservation Plan and electing Chairman/Secretary and Committee members so we would like to see as many interested people as possible, to enable us to reflect what users of the Amenity want to see.

Group contacts are:

Chairman — Duncan Sweeting
01473 622859...Secretary — Peter
Izzard 01473 611291

MARTLESHAM V.P.A .

Our Summer Show, staged in late July, provided the usual colourful display of flowers, well grown and well staged vegetables, together with excellent cakes and preserves.

The number of entries was about average and it was encouraging to have two new members exhibiting in the Show.

The children's section was well supported with home grown sunflowers and colourful displays of garden flowers. Elizabeth Bickers gained most points in the junior age group and James Branch won in the senior group.

The coach trip to Giffords Hall was supported by 47 members and friends. The weather could have been a lot brighter but the sun managed to break out for our journey home. An enjoyable time was had by one and all (especially the wine—tasting!)

The Autumn indoor meetings start on 13th September when Mrs. Kelly Shannon will entertain us with "How my interest in gardening started" and then on 27th September Mr. Roland Castle will expound on "Bees in the Brood Chamber". We are also arranging a table (mini) show on the same evening in which members can participate.

Meetings are held in the Richard Room at 7.30 p.m.. There is no admission charge and visitors are always welcome.

Happy gardening, Stan Harris.

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MARTLESHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

There was no meeting in August but members have met on two occasions. Ann Berg arranged the annual outing to Walberswick for lunch at de Cresseys Restaurant followed by a visit to the Southwold Summer Theatre to see 'Double Double'. It was a great day super meal, glorious weather ending with a nail-biting play.

Audrey Burnell organised a visit for 16 members and friends to visit the Suffolk Punch Stud at Hollesley Bay Colony and to ride round the extensive farm area in a trailer drawn by two Suffolk Punches. Bruce Smith, the Stud Manager, gave an interesting history of Hollesley Bay Colony and of the present day workings on the farm end was thanked by Audrey on behalf of all the visitors.

At the September meeting on Friday 20th at 7.30 pm in the Richards Room Mrs. Parker will speak on the work of the Deputy Chief Constable.

Visitors will be very welcome.

Contact:— Secretary,
Mrs.B.Darke. Tel. Ipswich 624193.

LADIES

Would you like to join our friendly group for social activities one evening a month?

We usually meet on the 3rd Monday of the month for talks, visits, meals or other such events.

Our programme includes:

16th September visit to the Radio Suffolk studios in Ipswich

14th October bring and share supper in member's house

18th November visiting speaker

December Christmas meal at a restaurant

The group has been running for over 20 years as 'Martlesham Wives' although it is open to all women regardless of marital status (we are currently looking for a more inclusive title!).

For more details please contact Jenny on 01473 626253

MARTLESHAM MOTHERS' UNION

No official MU meetings took place during the month of August as so many people were away, but several of our members enjoyed helping at the very successful holiday club at St. Michael's.

We were all saddened to learn of the death of Joan Pinch. She had been regaling many of us with

hilarious stories of her recent holiday in Ireland on the VPA trip to Gifford's Hall. Less than a week later was in hospital after a massive stroke from which she never regained consciousness'. Many of our members, along with those from other groups to which she had belonged attended the moving funeral service, which was a true thanksgiving for the life of this wonderful character who touched the lives of all she met.

There will only be one meeting in September, on Wednesday September 5th at 2.30 pm., when we will start the new MU programme with a service at St. Michael's. If you are new to the area or if you find you have time on your hands why not come along and join us? Most of us are female but we do have 3 Male members.

Please remember Joan's family in your prayers, along with Ena Nesta, Peg, Doreen and any others who come to mind.

A thought for the month: if you look before you leap, you can avoid hurting yourself— if you think before you speak you can avoid hurting others.

GOD BLESS. Sheila Smith

ST MICHAEL'S PRE-SCHOOL MARTLESHAM HEATH

We ran a stall on Martlesham village day and we raised £113.00. A big thank you to everyone who helped and supported us on the day.

It's photo time again and we have booked the Tempest Photographer for the 3rd October. Photographs shall be taken between 3pm & 5pm in St Michael's church extension.

The theme for our Autumn term is 'All about me'. The children will be learning all about themselves. They will be making face biscuits and also drawing a self portrait. They will also talk about their families and their favourite things like Storybooks, television characters and their favourite indoor and outdoor activities.

Our Autumn term starts on the 9th September and runs till the 13th December. Half term break starts on 21st October 26th October.

If you are interested in sending your child to our pre-school and would like more information please contact Angela Wilkes on 01473 631510.

CALLING ALL MUMS

The next meeting of the Martlesham Mum's Club will be held at St. Michael's Church Centre from 12.45 to 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 10th September. Lunch will be served from around 1.00 p.m. This will be followed by a talk from Izzy Ixer who will tell us about the benefits of Yoga.

The Mums' Club is a group of mums with their young children who meet together once a month to share lunch, friendship and a social time together. All mums and pre-school children welcome.

For further details please ring Brenda on 625449 or Sue on 624130.

MARTLESHAM & DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB

A very pleasant and enjoyable afternoon was spent in the garden of Margaret and John Forbes when the club held its annual summer garden party. The proceeds from the various stalls going to the St. Elizabeth Hospice. £520 was raised. Our thanks to the many who gave and bought so generously.

The Harvest Festival Celebration will be held in St. Michael's Church on Friday 27th September 7 - 9pm, Saturday 28th 10-5pm and Sunday 29th. Our Club, with the co-operation of church members and some firms in the parish, will be arranging the floral displays.

Our Open Meeting is on 16th October when the demonstrator is Caryl Fidler. Tickets are available at £8 each for non-members. This includes lunch with wine. Do come along for a very entertaining afternoon.

The next club meeting is on Wednesday 18th September when the demonstrator will be Mr Norman Scott. The competition will be "an arrangement in a box".

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to people with disabilities. We particularly welcome applications from people with disabilities or illnesses, as we are experienced at using peoples' abilities whatever the obstacles. We would also like to recruit people with disabilities for our Management Committee. If you are interested please ring Margaret Shaw on 01394 387070.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support via the grants we have received from Parish and Town Councils, District Councils and County Council.

MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Reg. Charity No. 1009602

David Pocock our Secretary has had to resign as secretary. We must now find a secretary to fill this place. Some one amongst the regular hirers

of Community Hall and the Richards Room must have a member who would be able to undertake this work or anyone who feels they can help. The Committee meets about every 2 months and the Secretary takes the minutes. There are only a few other duties which entail receiving correspondence (about 2 or 3 letter between meetings) and keeping the Hall licensees up to date, with some help in coming to meetings with contractors etc. if possible.

You would find the work very rewarding and interesting David Pocock will hold onto the papers about the Hall for the time being and work out with Suffolk Coastal District Council about the licenses that come up for renewal in September.

But please someone out there come forward to help in your small way to run this great village asset.

Please contact Ian O'Brien Baker at Home Meadows House, Top Street, (yes you can still get to us we are at the end of the road, for 13 weeks but, still here) Martlesham IP12 4RD.

Or phone AFTER 6 p.m. or at weekends 01394 382419 or mobile at anytime 07802 861 221.

MARTLESHAM MILLENNIUM DROUGHT GARDEN

The hard landscaping works have now been completed and we are grateful for the funding that was provided by Suffolk Waste Disposal Ltd (now Viridor) together with help from County Councillor John Kelso's Locality Budget and the Parish Council.

This garden is the first public garden in Martlesham and is located immediately north of The Square on Martlesham Heath.

The Martlesham in Bloom Committee are planning to carry out the planting during the autumn and winter. As well as the committee, members of a cub group have offered to help, possibly with planting bulbs, and we would welcome any help from other groups or volunteers; please contact the secretary, address below.

MARTLESHAM IN BLOOM

Garden Competitions

The judging by the committee will have been completed in August and we will be announcing the results and presenting cups and certificates at our Presentation Evening which we are arranging for early October; all entrants will be notified of the date and it will be published in Martlesham Monthly and on parish notice boards. We had more entries than last year and thank you to you all; the very high standard of all entries made the judges job difficult but nevertheless enjoyable.

Anglia in Bloom

The results of Martlesham's entry in the Anglia in Bloom Competition will be announced at their awards ceremony in Norwich on September 25th.

Adopt a River

We were much encouraged by Anglia TV's recent short film of our Adopt a River project at the Recreation Ground and River Fynn and we have already had a potential volunteer contact us as a result. We have had several working sessions, including one assisting the 2nd Martlesham Heath Guides with their Conservation Badge. We have been keeping a note of the flora and fauna, clearing some vegetation to provide a view of the river, creating several piles of logs (from the felled poplar in the play area and some other dead trees) and work will be continuing on this area and on Kronjic's Piece (the adjoining piece of land) throughout the coming months.

Contact name J. Maureen Burrows (Secretary) Martlesham in Bloom

JUBILEE SPONSORED FUN WALK SUNDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER

The above event has regretfully had to be cancelled as there has been no

support for taking part in the walk whatsoever. This event was being organised by the Martlesham in Bloom Committee and we are, however, very grateful to the Red Lion, Martlesham Antiques, Suffolk Offset, Martlesham Bowls Club and the Martlesham Recreation Ground Committee who were all very supportive of the proposed Jubilee Sponsored Fun Walk.

Secretary, J Maureen Burrows,
tel:- 01473 625196

MARTLESHAM CONSULTANTS LTD "LOOKING AFTER OUR VILLAGE"

It may be depressing to think about it, but we have to start planning for the tree surgery we will carry out in winter. If anyone has any concerns about the safety of MCL trees, or there are trees or branches that are causing problems, please let us know through the contact methods below. We will then draw up a list of work to carry out when the trees are dormant. We will also consider cases where residents believe that there are severe problems of shading. Our policy is to leave trees to grow naturally wherever possible, although in exceptional cases, and with the agreement of our tree surgeon, we will carry out thinning of branches at residents' expense. We cannot allow residents to carry out or commission work on MCL trees.

MCL attended a meeting with the police, and County, District and Parish Council representatives to discuss proposals for banning alcohol from the Village Green. We agreed with the other attendees that it would not be appropriate to apply for this type of order at present, although we will continue to monitor any problems. There is in fact more under-age drinking, with associated problems of intimidation of passers-by and litter, on other areas of the Heath. The Police are aware of this and have plans to reinforce the community policing to manage the situation.

Members are always welcome to attend the Board meetings which take place in St Michael and All

Angels Church Centre each month. Members wishing to make contact with the company should either write to MCL at 42D Barrack Square, Martlesham Heath, Ipswich IP5 3RF, e-mail to mcl.mh@btinternet.com, or phone on 612207 and leave a message, with your contact details.

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

August and true to tradition we had an evening visit in place of our usual monthly meeting! We visited the now defunct American air base at Bentwaters. It has been bought lock, stock and barrel by the neighbouring farmer and businessman, Bill Kemball and he kindly showed us around. We were shown over the control tower and the nuclear bomb storage area and several other areas that we didn't know existed! Bill surprised us when we visited one hangar only to find a comprehensive selection of vintage tractors and commercial vehicles. This is a passion of his and will eventually be open for public display. The old base, which was closed 10 years ago, has inevitably become a business park and the many buildings were gradually being utilized for different purposes. Bill Kemball told us that much of the runway, which was resurfaced just two years before the base closed, will be removed. However, sufficient will remain for light aircraft to be able to use it. Our own member, Norman Rose was with us and he has been associated with Bentwaters since it was built towards the end of WW2 and so, along with Bill Kemball, was able to give an interesting insight into its history.

We had a stand at the Lowestoft Air Show thanks partly due to generous sponsorship by Bennington HR Solutions Ltd and partly to several members who manned the stand during the two day event. We had many interested visitors and promoted our Control Tower Museum. We also sold a large number of raffle tickets in aid of our "Open Day", on Sunday, September 22nd.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, 6th September when the speaker will be Sqdn Ldr Cecil Sanderson talking about the history of RAF Marham. In the Community Hall as usual and a prompt 7.45pm start.

Alan Powell. 622458.

MARTLESHAM HEATH

AVIATION SOCIETY GRAND OPEN DAY

We are very pleased to announce that following the very successful Open Day last September, that we will be hosting a similar event this year in the area surrounding the Control Tower. Please make a note in your diaries for SEPTEMBER 22nd and just follow the signs off Parkers Place, which is off Eagle Way.

We are hoping to have a flypast by the "Battle of Britain Memorial Flight". If this does not materialise we have arranged for a display at 11.30am of a WW2 North American Mustang. Mustangs were based here from 1943/45. Our Open Day coincides with a visit by some of the veteran fliers who flew Mustangs from here. We are hosting around 19 American visitors and a similar number of RAF veterans who were based here at different times.

We are expecting the arrival at 2pm of another veteran American aircraft. The Boeing Stearman was the standard basic trainer used by the USAAF and many British airmen were trained in the United States and Canada during WW2 on these aeroplanes. Another arrival at approximately 2pm will be the aerobatic Russian Yak 52. All flying is subject to prevailing weather conditions.

The event starts at 10.30am until around 4pm and many fun attractions will be here. A number of vintage civil and military vehicles and also an ongoing display of model aircraft on the adjacent football pitch. Numerous stands selling everything from bric-a-bac to fine aviation prints. The Museum will, of course, be open.

A "Chuck Wagon" will be present for all your hot-dogs and bacon-butties and drinks, both hot and cold!

It all adds up to a super fun day and we look forward to most of the village turning up!

Alan Powell 622458

2ND MARTLESHAM HEATH GUIDES

The Summer Term has seen the Guides out & about all over the Heath & even with a very wet couple of months, we were very lucky & managed to enjoy dry meetings every week!

The Guides have been working towards their Cyclist badge, stage 1, for which we say a very big thankyou to Lynne Lodge, Sue Farthing, David Gibbs & Dave Smith, who oversaw their bike maintenance, road safety awareness & shakey bike control; Also their Conservation badge, for which they have helped finish off

Bat boxes & plan where to put them, been quizzed on their plant & animal knowledge & been out on the Rec Ground in Old Martlesham, doing some practical work with Martlesham in Bloom, litter picking, building animal habitats & doing wildlife surveys. Thankyou to Phil Smith & the Martlesham in Bloom Group, who organised some very informative & enjoyable evenings for us.

We have also done our usual outdoor activities, Cooking, Fish & Chip Cycle Ride & Archery at Hallowtrees.

14 of us have just got back from Imagine 2002 a County Camp at Ickworth Park. The Guides had a brilliant time, Canoeing, Sailing, Swimming, Craft, Pioneering & many more, including a Hogwarts Challenge, which was very popular. The weather was decidedly mixed & it poured on us as we took the tents down, but that's all the challenge of camping! Thankyou to Martlesham Scouts & Bealings Guides, who lent us some of their equipment.

As both our Units in Martlesham District are still full, I am intending to hold a meeting for present & prospective Guides & Parents in the first week of September, to discuss the possibilities of starting another Unit. Precise day, time & venue are still to be advised, so please contact me for further information.

I hope you have all had a good Summer & see you back on the 10th September for another fun packed term.

Jo 622160

MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP

Many thanks to all those who came along on Sunday 14th July when we undertook our annual survey of the Silver Studded Blue butterfly population on Martlesham Heath SSSI. At first sight the results appear to be lower than last year, however I have not added up all the figures yet. I will report the results in the Martlesham Monthly once the numbers are available and of course at our AGM in November. Thankyou to all those who supported our stall at the Music on the Green event, and a warm welcome to those who chose to join us. We much appreciate your contribution towards our efforts in the conservation of our local wildlife.

Our next working party will be on Sunday September 8th when we will be returning to the Martlesham Heath wood to undertake some management of the grassland areas within the wood. This activity will involve cutting and clearing the

grassland glade in order to maintain a wide range of plant species within the wood and promote its use as a local haven for a range of wildlife. If you wish to come along and help with this activity, then please join us at 10 am outside the Douglas Bader public house. No previous knowledge or particular skill is required, all information, tools and guidance will be supplied on the day. Phil. Smith 625630

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST - WOODBRIDGE GROUP

Many thanks to all those who came along and supported our Exhibition and Sale of paintings in Woodbridge on the weekend of 3rd/4th August and an especial thanks to all the artists who made it possible. I hope you enjoyed the exhibition as much as I did.

Our next event will be a Street Collection in Woodbridge Town Centre on Saturday 21st September. If you are interested in helping for an hour then please get in touch with me.

Our first indoor meeting of the autumn season will be on Thursday 17th October at 7-30pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall when we will have a talk by Claire Burn on "The work of the Peoples Trust for Endangered Species".

Phil Smith 625630

NATIONAL OSTEOPOROSIS SOCIETY

Local Group

We are just coming up to the 5th birthday of the Ipswich and District Group and are pleased to be able to look back on five years of considerable achievement in raising awareness of the need for prevention of osteoporosis and of the many things we can do to help ourselves. The membership continues to grow and our fundraising efforts have enabled us to contribute significant sums to the NOS Nurse Helpline and to research projects. Research into treatment of the disease once established is of vital importance.

Our fifth Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 5th at the Red Cross Hall, Chevalier Street, Ipswich. There will be a morning Talk and Demonstration of Resuscitation Techniques starting at 11.00am, followed by a break for lunch and the business AGM at 1.30pm. We provide tea, coffee and biscuits but suggest you bring your own sandwiches.

We look forward to seeing as many old and new friends who care to join us.

MARTLESHAM CARPET

BOWLS CLUB

With one match to go in the summer league we have won five matches and lost four and feel it has been a satisfactory campaign. In September the more serious Winter League starts and we look forward to it with confidence as we have so many good bowlers.

In the summer we bowl on Tuesday afternoons and evenings (in the winter also Friday afternoons). We play in the Martlesham Community Centre behind Tesco. If you are interested just come along or phone me on 01394 384075.

Steve Danby (Club Captain).

MARTLESHAM BOWLS CLUB

The summer bowls season passes all too quickly. These notes are being written in mid August the next time you get your "monthly" it is all over until next April.

It is nice to see Jack Marshall back on the green for the first time this year after his eye operation.

Did you win in the "100 Club" the recent winners for August Jack Marshall (just back in time) Pat Shannon Ken Seager and P Millbourne. Sept E Rollins A Whitbread P Rous. Oct. A Whitbread (what not again) D Leech and D Mapperley.

The Rous Challenge Trophy winners this year were Peter and Christine Gorham with Audrey Whitbread.

The latest results for the club in various leagues are

	W.	L.	D.
Woodbridge	8	7	0
Finn	7	0	1
2 Woods	5	4	0
3 Woods	5	6	0
Friendlys	5	3	1

The proposed Green Closure Supper in September will not take place owing to unexpected circumstances beyond our control.

Any information regarding the bowls club contact our secretary Linda Brown on 01349 3846978.

Jack Cott.

TUPPERWARE

I would like to introduce myself I am your new Tupperware Demonstrator. Tupperware is back in new colours and design and they are now items for the fridge microwaves freezers and cooking etc also for the bathroom

If you would like find out more including having a party this can include a cookery demonstration using Tupperware or to have one as

a fund raiser please contact Maria on 01473 625665 if necessary please leave a message and I will get back to you

Maria Maltby

INDIAN HEAD MASSAGE & MEDITATION

Learn to relax and help other relax by enrolling on a Leisure Learning course

Indian Head Massage

Learn simple techniques to use on family and friends to help them reach a deep state of relaxation. No oils used and no need to remove any clothes!!

Venue - Dumbarton Hall, Humber Doucy Lane, Ipswich

Time - 9.30am - 11.30am

Venue - Kesgrave High School, Ipswich

Time - 7pm - 9pm

Date -

Both courses commence Thursday 19th September for 5 weeks

Meditation

Learn a simple method of method of meditation which, when used on a daily basis, can mean you feel less stressed, more confident, less tired and find that your work performance and general health has improved.

Venue - Dumbarton Hall, Humber Doucy Lane, Ipswich

Time - 12noon - 1.30pm

Date -

Thursday 19th September for 5 weeks

Venue - Kesgrave High School, Ipswich

Time - 7pm - 8.30pm

Date -

Monday 16th September for 5 weeks

For more information on these courses, please phone Sue Allen 01473 622974 or Email sueallen58@hotmail.com

ADSL - BROADBAND

BT Wholesale has asked users of the Internet on the Kesgrave exchange to advertise the offer that they have made to provide ADSL - Broadband through our exchange.

What is ADSL - Broadband?

ADSL transforms an existing telephone line into a high-speed digital line capable of carrying data **at up to 40 times the speed of a conventional modem.**

Broadband is generally used to describe a high-speed Internet or data connection that is charged at a flat fee.

Broadband is not a 'thing' in itself - not a box, a line, a service or a

connection.

For home users is the ability to get information age services such as high speed Internet access, movies and music on demand, interactive game playing, news, leisure and travel information piped into your home at the speed you need, when you need it.

The range of benefits and uses for business users can be similarly eye opening. From sharpening up your customer relationships and marketing activities to letting you directly access your corporate emails, intranets and databases, BT's broadband ADSL can make a real difference to your efficiency and effectiveness at work.

More information.

Please go to

www.bt.com/broadband where you will find all the information that you will need.

What is needed before ADSL-Broadband is available through the Kesgrave exchange?

BT Wholesale has stated that they need 350 registered enquiries for them to activate the upgrade of our exchange. As at July 26 some 85 potential users had registered so now is the time to act.

MARTLESHAM BRASS

The Summer Holidays are now drawing to a close, and after a restful August Martlesham Brass resumes Wednesday practices at Beacon Hill CP School, Martlesham. Friday practices remain as normal in St Michael's Church Martlesham Heath.

We start September with our annual Quiz Night on Saturday 7th September, which is always a great evening for all the family. Later in the month the Main Band is playing for the Martlesham Heath Aviation Society event at the Control Tower on Sunday 22nd September. We end September on a high with the **Martlesham Brass 6th Birthday Concert on Saturday 28th September.** As always this will feature all the sections of the band, and will be an evening of great musical entertainment. If you would like to attend the concert please contact Alison on 01473 611578 for more information.

For more information regarding the band's activities please go to our website at www.martleshambrass.btinternet.co.uk. For bookings ring Julie on 01473 620240. For information ring Paul or Liz on 01473 623276.

Alison Eyley - Martlesham Brass Publicity Officer

BEACON HILL SCHOOL

The school is working hard towards its raise the Roof campaign for the Swimming Pool. As all members of the community will benefit from having the pool enclosed, we are trying to arrange different events that will attract the local community and we are please to announce

Down Memory Lane Variety Show - an evening of music, song and comedy presented by Norman Carter including Jeff Short, Sue Finn, John Maxim (Harmonica) and Les Copsey.

Sunday 22nd September
Martlesham Community Hall
7.30pm

Tickets £5 available from Ipswich
01473 719761

ST. MARY'S CHURCH CHOIR

If YOU enjoy singing and are able to sing in tune, please come and join us.

We intend to start meeting at regular intervals to enjoy singing together, with a view to improving and enhancing the choir for Sunday morning services at St. Mary's.

We have lots of lovely music to sing - we just need more singers.

If you would like to know more please ring Margaret Cotton on 01394 387765 and come along on Monday 30th September to 22 Drybridge Hill Woodbridge at 7pm.

MARTLESHAM HEATH 10 KM ROAD RACE

Woodbridge Lions Club is pleased to announce this years race will take place on Sunday 13th October commencing 11 am. The race is organised under the British Athletic Federation's rules and the flat, round the houses, pacey course attracts runners from all over the East of England. In accordance with BAF rules the course has been officially checked this year. Runners will complete four laps, starting on the Green, then out on to Valiant Way turning left and following Eagle Way, eventually cutting back on to the Green pass the Douglas Bader pub. The final lap will also include a circuit of the Green. For the less energetic, a 2.5km Fun Run will also take place. The races are open to individuals and teams of all abilities. Last year's event was a great success with a record number of entrants taking part. So for entry forms or if you are interested in helping the Lions stage the event, contact Chris on 01394 387260 or e-mail woods01394@tiscali.co.uk.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH CENTRE

"HARVEST & INDUSTRY FLOWER FESTIVAL"

**FRIDAY SEPT 27TH CHEESE
& WINE 7PM-9PM**

SATURDAY 28TH 10AM-5PM

SUNDAY 29TH 11AM -5PM

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

AVAILABLE

**A CELEBRATION OF
HARVEST & OUR LOCAL
INDUSTRY & COMMERCE
PROCEEDS TO THE
SUFFOLK AIR AMBULANCE**

KESGRAVE TENNIS CLUB

Any one who wishes to join the Club please contact Debbie Stebbings on 01473 626919 leave your name and address and I will send you an application form and details.

I AM STILL WAITING FOR A FEW PASS MEMBERS TO RETURN THEIR KEYS WHO HAVE NOT REJOINED PLEASE RETURN A.S.A.P

Club evenings are all year round on a Wednesday evening 7-10pm if you would like to play please come along and join in. Any one who would be interested in playing for our Ladies, Men's or Mixed teams please come along on a Wednesday evening.

Results from June Tournaments

Under 10's boys- winner Richard Jennings, runner up Alex Curtis.
Under 12's boys- winner Charles Law, runner up Sam Feliman.
Under 14's boys- Oliver Backhouse, runner up Gialuigi di Franco.

Dates for your Diary

Sept 5th The Peggy Mead Ladies Doubles Tournament 7-10pm
Sept 14th Adult and Child Tournament 2-5pm
Sept 21st Invitation Tournament- Under 12 Boys 2-5 pm
Sept 25th Mixed Doubles Tournament 7-10pm
Sept 28th Invitation Tournament- Under 14/16 Boys 2-5pm
Oct 12th Junior finals day

We are always looking for volunteers to help with tournament and coaching if you lend a hand for a hour or two please contact Dick.

Coaching courses for Juniors and Adults.

Juniors

Short tennis - Mini-tennis Red Held at Kesgrave High School for ages 6-9 years old.

Tuesdays 6-7pm and Fridays 6-7pm.

Transition Tennis-Mini -tennis Orange

Held at Kesgrave Tennis Club courts for ages 8-10 years old.

Tuesdays 4.30-5.30pm.

Beginners- Mini tennis Green

Held at Kesgrave Tennis Club courts for ages 9-16 years old.

Wednesday 4.30-5.30pm-Girls only

Wednesday 5.30-6.30pm-Boys only
Friday 6-7pm

Improvers—Mini tennis Green

Children aged 10-16 years old

Held at Kesgrave Tennis Club

Adults

Beginners and Improvers

Any age from 16-80 years old

Held at Kesgrave Tennis Club

Thursday 10-1 2noon

Saturday 10-11am 11-12noon

Please phone Dick on 01394 384791 for more information.

Wheelchair coaching

Wheelchair tennis coaching takes

place at Kesgrave Tennis Club on

Monday 2-4pm and Thursday

1-3pm. Wheelchair tennis club

night is on Sundays 6.30-8.30pm.

Please phone Debbie or Dick for

more details.

Debbie Stebbings 01473 626919

LEISURE&LEARNING

September courses at Stradbroke High School

The wide range of daytime, evening and weekend courses and activities starts again at Stradbroke High School the week beginning 16th September...

The courses are designed for all ages and abilities and cover a wide range of interests. New courses in September include GCSE Art, internet for all, beginner 's Computing, beginner's Italian and French, Food for thought, Music Theory, Painting Techniques, Homoeopathy and Greek Theatre .

The other courses include Dance, Slimnastics, the Story of Art, Stained Glass, Yoga, Conversational French, Drawing & Painting, beginner 's Keyboards, Carpentry and Roller Skating. . .

Weekend courses include Watercolours, Writers' Workshop, Makaton Signing, and Drums & Percussion . . .

If you would like further information on all the courses and activities available at the School please contact Dave Sumner on 01379 388 238...

KESGRAVE & DISTRICT HELP CENTRE

Mr Tractor, an elderly retired farmer living in his isolated cottage with his rottweiler bitch Violet, was watching TV when his door bell rang. At the door was an attractive blonde lady smartly dressed in the latest designer outfit, but in obvious distress.

I'm sorry to bother you but my car has broken down. Could I use your telephone to call my husband please?

Certainly, I'll just put Violet in the other room said Mr Tractor, only too pleased to have his uneventful life enlivened by such an attractive visitor.

The Lady dialled a number and asked to speak to Sir Digby Shark. Sir Digby apparently was at a Board meeting of his Bank and it was almost four minutes before he was able to answer the phone.

After having explained to Sir Digby her predicament and location, the Lady carefully wiped the phone before retuning it to its cradle, turned to Mr Tractor reaching for her expensive looking purse. I really must pay you for the call, it was rather a long one. Diggy was at one of his meetings.

Oh no, it was a pleasure, said Mr Tractor, Not often I have such a charming visitor. Violet must like you too, she didn't even snarl.

The charming lady in the designer outfit again thanked Mr Tractor profusely, and departed.

Mr Tractor settled down again to his favourite TV programme, Down on the Farm

Four weeks later Mr Stamper the local Postie delivered the usual shoal of junk mail and bills. Mr Tractor picked up the telephone bill to see if he had saved the 40% promised by the new provider he had changed to last quarter. The idiots, I bet they will blame their computer! he exclaimed angrily as he focused on an item for a £500 call.

His phone company did not blame their computer but politely explained that a five minute call had been made from Mr Tractor's phone and gave the number, date and time of the call. These details coincided exactly with Diggy's wife's call to a premium number set at £100 a minute.

Mr Tractor and Violet snarled long, loud and hard. Oh Violet! groaned Mr Tractor, We've been

done.

Beware of bogus callers.

Note: All our Help Centre drivers have nice familiar faces and carry identity badges.

Ray Spratt

MARTLESHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

You are warmly welcome to the following meetings at the Fellowship Centre, Black Tiles Lane, Martlesham.

SERVICES:

SUNDAY 1st 10.30 a.m. Family

Worship "for all ages" creche can be provided if required. 6.30 p.m. Communion

SUNDAY 8th 10.30 a.m. Morning Worship: SUNSPOTS starts again this week for children and young people aged 3 to 13+ (the first part of the service is altogether and then the Sunspots go to their classes).

SUNDAY 15th 10.30 a.m. Morning Worship with Sunspots

5.00p.m. AFTERNOON TEA and HARVEST SERVICE for our older friends and neighbours. If you have not received your invitation and would like to come to this event, please contact Mrs. Ruth Mellen on 624401. Transport is available to and from The Fellowship Centre, if required. The sit-down tea and informal service are designed to meet the needs of those who use a wheelchair/walking frame etc. as well as those who are still fit.

SUNDAY 22nd 10.30 a.m. Morning Worship and Sunspots

6.30p.m. Communion

SUNDAY 29th 10.30 a.m. Family Service followed by Communion at approx. 12.00 (no evening service)

Weekday Activities.

TUESDAY CIRCLE: 10th September: HARVEST LUNCH à 12.45 for 1.00p.m. Please remember to let Julia know if you are coming! If you would like to join us for the first time, please ring me on 625482.

FUNFIT: Every Wednesday 9.30a.m. A gentle workout followed by a short reading and refreshments—children welcome. We will be starting our new term on 11th Sept.

TODDLER GROUP: Every Thursday 10.00 a.m. à 12noon.

YOUTH CLUB: Every Thursday 6.30-8.00 p.m. For 11 to 13 year olds (approx!)

PRAYER and BIBLE STUDY: Meetings are at various times. If you would like to know more about these or any other activities please ring Julia Faulkner on 01473 625482. Whether you are already a Christian, looking for fellowship in the area, or simply seeking for answers to life's questions, we hope to be able to share with you our faith in the living God, and to demonstrate something of His great love.

THE RECTOR WRITES

Much of the harvest is now safely gathered in, apart from things like sugar beet and potatoes, so our thoughts turn to thanking God for all his gifts to us. As I write this the earth summit of world leaders is about to take place in South Africa – we need to keep praying and working for the right use of the

world's resources in a world where the gap between rich and poor seems to be getting ever wider. Harvest Festival time is not only a time to celebrate God's gifts to us, but also to remember the needs of those who are nowhere near so fortunate as we are.

We have a new look to our Harvest Celebrations at St. Michael's this year with our "Harvest & Industrial Flower Festival" over the Michaelmas weekend at the end of September, so that we can celebrate not only the traditional harvest but also the harvest of the industry and commerce of our parish, which employs the majority of our people and those who come here to work. See the separate notice for details of this special Harvest Celebration and Flower Festival. Services on 29th (the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels) will be 9.45am All Age Harvest Service and 6.30pm A Harvest Praise Service.

If you can help with stewarding etc at the Festival please contact Ann Berg (01394 387049) or sign the list at church. If you can help with refreshments in any way please contact Sue Lambert (01473 624130).

Brightwell Harvest is on 22nd September, and will follow the usual pattern with 8am Holy Communion and 6.30pm Harvest Evensong, gifts of groceries as well as flowers and produce are welcome – they will go to the residents of Paul's Flats in Stoke Street, Ipswich.

St. Mary's Harvest will be on Sunday 6th October with 8am Holy Communion and 11am Harvest Communion (BCP). Any harvest produce and gifts from St. Michael's or St. Mary's, after we have distributed to our own sick or housebound, will go to the Ipswich Homeless Person's Unit; so tinned goods etc are particularly welcome.

The Harvest Supper will be on Saturday 5th October in St. Michael's at 7.30pm. Invitations will go out to all on the Church Roll and other attenders but is open to all parishioners – please ask for, or pick up an invitation should you not receive one.

There will be the Confirmation Service with Bishop Jeremy on Sunday 6th October at 6.30pm in St. Michael's – do come and support our candidates.

Because of the special Harvest Services and the Confirmation there are several changes to our normal pattern of service please read the service list carefully – particularly for the venue of the 8am services.

Brian Lillistone



THE CHURCH IN MARPLESHAM & BRIGHTWELL

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Services for The Month	Brightwell St. John	Martlesham St. Mary	Martlesham Heath St. Michael
Sunday 1 st Sept. Trinity 14	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (BCP)	9.45am All Age Worship & Baptism 6.30pm Informal Worship
Sunday 8 th Sep. Trinity 15	6.30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9.45am Family Communion & Sunday School
Sunday 15 th Sept. Trinity 16	8am Holy Communion	11am Family Communion (CW)	9.45am Worship & Sunday School 6.30pm Informal Worship
Sunday 22 nd Sept. Brightwell Harvest	8am Holy Communion 6.30pm Harvest Evensong	11am Matins	9.45am Family Communion & Sunday School
Sunday 29 th Sept. St. Michael's Harvest	8am Holy Communion	11am Matins	9.45am AllAge HarvestService 6.30pm Harvest Praise Service
Sunday October 6 th St. Mary's Harvest		8am Holy Communion 11am Harvest Communion (BCP)	9.45am Worship & Sunday School 6.30pm Confirmation Service

MIDWEEK SERVICES:- Wednesdays 10am Holy Communion at St. Michael's. Pram Service for Mothers & Toddlers Thursdays 12th & 26th September at St. Michael's at 10.30am

Brightwell Cleaners	Flowers	Martlesham Cleaners	Flowers	Sweepers
Mrs Riches/Mrs Rayfield	1 Sep	Mrs Mayhew/Mrs Still	Mrs S Symes	S Harris/T Branch
"	8	Mrs Branch/Mrs Cunliffe	Mrs J Ringer	E Still/C Hares
"	15	Mrs Rollins/Mrs Wilson		P Barnett/C Cobb
"	22	Mrs Jordan/Mrs Branch	Mrs J Locke	D Burges/J Symes
"	29	Miss Berg/Mrs Gorham		M Zetter

PRAYER DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER 2002

September 6 th	Pray for Worldwide Literacy programmes	17 th	International peace	29 th	Praise God at this Industrial Harvest time
7 th	Successful Celtic Worship Day at St Michael's	18 th	Residents of School Lane	30 th	Pray for Governments to act with wisdom
8 th	Church Unity	19 th	For the infirm and housebound	October	
9 th	For friends and relatives	20 th	For all carers	1 st	Thank God for the beauty of the Earth
10 th	For activities at our local churches	21 st	Thank God for the early Apostles on St Matthew's day.	2 nd	Residents of Side Centre Gate
11 th	For residents of Sandy Lane	22 nd	Give thanks for the harvest at Brightwell	3 rd	All involved in the health of the nation
12 th	The MU General Meeting in Cardiff	23 rd	Pray for all hospital and hospice chaplains	4 th	For all with HIV/Aids and their families
13 th	For Grace	24 th	Christian Counsellors	5 th	For a happy Harvest Supper
14 th	We thank God for his son on Holy Cross Day	25 th	Residents of Shaw Valley Road	6 th	Give Thanks and Praise at St Mary's for the harvest, pray for those to be Confirmed tonight at St. Michael's
15 th	That god may mercifully receive the prayers of his people	26 th	For spiritual growth		
16 th	Peace of heart and mind	27 th	To use Gods gifts wisely		
		28 th	Thank God for fruit and flowers at the flower festival		