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## **TALKING MARTLESHAM MONTHLY**

Now that the continued production of the Talking Monthly is assured, please contact the Editors if you, or someone you know, would benefit by receiving one of the monthly audio tapes. These are available free of charge and are delivered by Royal Mail, normally on the second Saturday of the month. When the recipients have finished with the tape it can be returned to Graham Downing post free merely by reversing the address label and dropping the package in a letter box.

Martlesham Monthly Editors

## **MARTLESHAM VILLAGE HELP DESK**

**HAVE YOU GOT A PROBLEM IN THE VILLAGE? IF SO COME TO THE PAVILION on Saturday 15th March, 10 am – 12 pm**

Do you have a problem in the Village?

Not sure who owns what land near you?

Need to discuss a problem with The Police or Local Village representatives?

No matter what your problem is The Village Help Desk can help you.

On **Saturday 15th March 10 am – 12 pm** come to The Pavilion on The Green at Martlesham Heath. There will be a representative from

- The Parish Council,
- Martlesham Consultants Limited
- The Suffolk Constabulary
- District Councillors
- County Councillor

So no matter what your problem or your concern is, there will be somebody who can help you on the day. This was a huge success when we launched this in November 2007 and many people were helped following their visit.

Paul Firman - 01473 622874

## **POLICE**

Community Police Officer  
PC 651 Richard Wright

**In case of emergencies please always call 999.** In non-emergency

situations call the main switchboard on 01473 613500; you can also contact PC Wright on the following numbers for non-urgent matters:

Office—01473 334980

E-mail—[richard.wright@suffolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:richard.wright@suffolk.pnn.police.uk)

## **COMMUNITY RESPONDERS**

Martlesham Community Responders are a group of 4 volunteers (funded entirely by donations) who are trained to provide first aid and resuscitation skills. We provide a first response to most 999 calls received by the East Anglian Ambulance Trust within Martlesham, Martlesham Heath, Waldringfield, Newbourne and Brightwell, in support of and until the arrival of an emergency ambulance.

For further details, contact Andy Oxborrow 01473 620432 (e-mail [Andy.Oxborrow@suffolk.sja.org.uk](mailto:Andy.Oxborrow@suffolk.sja.org.uk)), or see our web pages on [www.martlesham.org.uk](http://www.martlesham.org.uk).

## **VIRGIN MEDIA PHONE NUMBER**

We are still trying to establish a telephone number that we can call for all enquiries about the Virgin Media Cable service here at Martlesham Heath.

For the time being can you call Paul Keane on 01206 507473. Paul is a manager with Virgin Media and is trying his best to help us. He is based at Colchester and is as frustrated as we are. So please call him for all your problems and hopefully he will sort them out.

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## **MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

### **2008/9 Precept**

The Council has decided to increase the precept for 2008/9. Over the past year the Council has carried out careful analysis of its tasks and reviewed whether any could be cut or done more efficiently. It was decided no cuts could be made and

changes have been implemented to improve the running of the Council.

New issues arise all the time adding to the workload and this year has been no exception. Examples include the consultation on Suffolk Coastal District Council's Local Development Framework including proposals from BT on Adastral Park which is an important issue for the parish. In the longer term the fluid situation concerning Unitary Status for the area in and around Ipswich may also impact on the development of Martlesham. The recent interest for allotments has taken some time this year.

The results of reviews to date have shown an increased use of resources, necessitating the staff working longer hours in an office designed in 1992 for short working hours with the Clerk at the time working mostly from home. Little has been spent on updating the office since that time. It is not suited to ICT and modern office practices and needs to be updated to meet minimum acceptable standards.

The need to update the office, coupled with other budget demands, means that the Council's increase in the precept amounts to approximately 33p per week for a band D property (an increase of £17.36 for the year). The cost of structural alterations to the office is however being partly funded by reserves and is one-off expenditure.

It has been agreed to recruit a part-time Assistant to help with the work and enable the Clerk to reduce her working hours to her contracted hours. This is anticipated to be a cost effective solution.

A full report of the Council's activities will be available at the Annual Parish meeting on 23rd April.

#### **February Work Day**

The Council is supporting the Megabash on the Western Corridor, 10 am on 23rd February. Signs from Eagle Way opposite the Windsock.

#### **Speeding**

Results from deployment of SID in November at two locations in Eagle Way show a mean speed of 35 and 37 mph (with several vehicles

exceeding 45 mph) between 2:20 and 3:30 pm on a weekday. These results are most worrying especially near school closing time. Please keep your speed down!

#### **Forthcoming meetings**

\*Parish Council – Wednesday 6th February

\*Recreation & Amenities committee – Wednesday 13th February

\*Development Plans committee – Wednesday 20th February

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

#### **Contacting the Council**

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

Telephone: 01473 612632

e-mail: [clerk@martleshamcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@martleshamcouncil.org.uk)

#### **MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY HALL**

To contact Martlesham Community Hall or Richards Room for details of booking them, or any other reason, please use any of the following methods:

- phone and leave a message on the answer phone. The number is 01473 623203.

- e-mail [martleshamcommunityhall@btinternet.com](mailto:martleshamcommunityhall@btinternet.com)

- send post to Martlesham Community Hall Management Committee, Martlesham Community Hall, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham, Woodbridge, IP12 4PB.

(Martlesham Community Hall is a registered charity - no. 1009602)

#### **MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

#### **JUMBLE, PLANT & BOOK SALE**

Is being held on Saturday 2nd February in the Pavilion, Martlesham Heath between 10.00 – 12 noon. Admission 30p, refreshments available. Jumble, bric-a-brac is required - please contact Jackie Bear on 01473 623007.

#### **MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Presents the  
"BUMPSTEAD BOYS" (Neil Lanham & Andrew Stannard)  
giving a narrative of

#### **"RUBY AND HER HORSES"**

It will consist of fond memories and wonderful tales of Suffolk, in song and slide show, plus stories, from the period just before the First World War then through the agricultural depression of the 1930s and up to fairly modern

days,  
ON

THURSDAY 13TH MARCH

AT  
7 PM FOR 7:30PM

IN

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH CENTRE

Tickets are £5 before the day and are available from the Post Office Stores, Black Tiles Lane, Martlesham or Jackie Bear on 01473 623007. £6 at the door.

#### **MARTLESHAM CONSULTANTS LIMITED**

The Annual General Meeting of Martlesham Consultants Limited will be held on Thursday 7th February at 8 pm at St Michael and All Angels Church Centre. This is the first year that MCL have finally secured a 999 year lease on the Western Corridor. This is now secure for the enjoyment and recreation of all the residents for the future. All residents are encouraged to attend to hear more about this and other matters of local interest and importance.

The annual Maintenance charge is now overdue for any residents who have not yet submitted their payment. The payment of £15 can be made by post or delivered by hand to c/o 6, The Square, Martlesham Heath, Ipswich, IP5 3SL. Cheques should be made payable to Martlesham Consultants Ltd and the payment slip that you have received by post

should be enclosed as well.

Are you interested in the open spaces we enjoy around the Heath? Do you want to have an input into maintaining the special character of the village? If so, have you thought about becoming a volunteer director for MCL? No special qualifications are needed, we only meet monthly (in the evening) and we are a friendly bunch. We only put in what time we can manage and it is all towards maintaining and improving the open spaces and environment for everyone who lives here. Please think about it and if you want to talk to an existing director you can get in touch with us via email or telephone and we will be pleased to talk to you.

The next monthly MCL Directors meeting will be held on Monday 21st January. This is an open meeting and all who subscribe to the maintenance charge are welcome to attend. 7:30 pm in the Committee room at St Michael's Church Centre. Contact us on voicemail – 01473 612207  
Email – [mcl@martlesham.org.uk](mailto:mcl@martlesham.org.uk)  
By letter – C/O 6, The Square, Martlesham Heath, Ipswich, IP5 3SL

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

Our first meeting following our usual Christmas/New Year break will be on Wednesday 20th February when Christine the florist from her shop in Ipswich will give us a demonstration entitled 'Looking Forward to Easter'. The competition will be 'Springtime'.

The club meets at St. Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath on the third Wednesday of each month at 2:30 pm. The annual subscription is £12.50 with visitors welcome at £2.50 per session. There is a plant and flower arrangers stall at each meeting.

Do feel free to come and join us. You don't have to be good at flower arranging - just come along, sit back and enjoy watching our demonstrators. Everyone is

welcome.

Barbara Bown - 01394 383033

### **M.A.L.G.A.**

#### **Allotments**

Great news: during December we got our membership with NSALG sorted out. We are now officially supported by them and on our way to 50% off seeds for the future. This is leading us to our next event/ members meeting which will be held late in March - date to be published in the March magazines so keep a look out!!

We're going to call the meeting a Seed Swap so bring along your seeds you don't want (unopened) to swap and we will have loads to buy at very cheap prices. You can also order seeds for the summer at this meeting so try to work out what you want and bring your list to us and we'll put the order in to Kings Seeds with the usual quick response. You should get your seeds in no time. [www.kingsseeds.com](http://www.kingsseeds.com)

It will also be time to talk about the future of allotments in Martlesham: where we're going from here and what the PC is looking at. As you might be aware the Government Development Framework is intending to get more houses in Martlesham so this could mean we'll need even more allotments. We, as an association, are also looking at maybe having an orchard within the site as we can get funding for this and it contributes to all green issues and brings in the nature needed to pollinate your crops. Again, this would mean more land required - another acre possibly.

So there's a lot to talk about as well as cheap seeds available.

[malga@btinternet.com](mailto:malga@btinternet.com)

[www.malga.co.uk](http://www.malga.co.uk)

Paul Day, Chairman of MALGA

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

Our first meeting of the New Year saw the President welcome John Clouting from the Suffolk Fire Service. He had come to explain how important it is for every house to be fitted with a working fire alarm which should be kept in regular working order. He highlighted his talk with videos showing how quickly fires are

ignited and the devastating consequences. He also made us aware of special smoke alarms that are available, free of charge, to the deaf and people who are housebound. The future will be all newly built houses fitted with a sprinkler system.

Members were reminded of the Federation Council Meeting at Trinity Park on March 4th when the guest speaker will be Paul Whittaker OBE, a profoundly deaf music teacher, who founded the charity "Music and the Deaf". Also speaking will be Jackie Cheer, temporary Deputy Chief Constable of Suffolk, who was deeply involved in the five murders that took place in Suffolk at the end of 2006.

At the end of the evening John Clouting was asked to make the draw for our Denman Bursary. The lucky winner is now able to pick a course of her choice at Denman College.

Our next meeting is on Monday 11th February when we will have a "flavour tasting evening" from the Drizzle Delicatessen in Ipswich.

Mary Bloomfield – 01473 625577

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

The Kered hand bell ringers led by Mrs Connie Brown were our guests at our annual social evening and entertained us with a selection of carols and winter themed tunes. The group was formed 20 years ago and has given 393 performances. They demonstrated various styles of ringing using both American and English bells. Mrs Brown said that the American bells have plastic handles whilst the English ones are made from leather. She also said you do not need musical knowledge to be able to play and this was demonstrated when a number of us were given a song to play. It was fun to create a tune and we were pleased to be allowed to handle the bells. I think we would have been more nervous had we known beforehand that even the very smallest bell was valued at over £100! We all agreed that you certainly needed a great deal of concentration with a quick hand and eye to be able to perform together.

Our next meeting will be in the

Richards Room, Martlesham at 7:30 pm on 15th February when our speaker will be a representative from the Drive Alive organisation who will talk to us about careful driving for the over 50s. New members are always welcome so do feel free to come and join us. Contact can be made to Audrey Burnell on 01394 386738.

Barbara Bown

### **MARTLESHAM COUNTRY MARKET**

We have two new lines on offer at the market as well as the usual selection of delicious home-baked food and tempting craft items. The new lines are free-range eggs and lemon curd, which can be found in our food section.

On offer at our plant table are hellebores (in a range of interesting colours), snowdrops and other spring-flowering bulbs and plants.

We look forward to seeing you all at the Tuesday market.

Any enquiries about the market please contact Margaret Gayfer (Chairman) on 01473 623849.

Robyn Pye (Country Market producer)

### **MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB**

We started 2008 very well. Rory Burrow returned to give us an interesting talk on The Inca Trail. At a previous meeting she had spoken about the Great Wall of China – she had walked them both – she must be fit!!!

On Thursday 10th January many club members met for our annual luncheon. This year The Fountain at Tuddenham did us really proud - the food was extremely tasty and well served and a good time was had by all.

Our meetings for February and March are:

\*14th February - Valentine's Day Quiz

\*28th February - 'Codes & Ciphers'; speaker Joyce Kimber

\*13th March - Easter Supper

\*27th March - 'School Today'; speaker Katherine Dunnett

We meet alternate Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Richard Room,

Martlesham Community Centre and welcome all new members.

Any enquiries please contact Rita on 01473 624510.

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Green

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

The next meeting of the Mums' Club will be held at St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath on Tuesday 5th February from 12:45 to 2:30 pm. Lunch will be served just before 1 pm. After lunch we will welcome back Lorraine Spall, our local community police officer, who will talk about Car Safety for children including advice on car seats, booster cushions, etc.

All mums with babies and toddlers will be most welcome.

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

### **MARTLESHAM MOTHERS' UNION**

Did you know that there is a Mothers' Union branch in Baghdad? There are 400 members and they meet daily for prayer. We hear about Iraq in the news and we see pictures on our televisions, but we, as Mothers' Union members, feel united to our sisters in Baghdad. They held a Christmas Bazaar and it was a huge success. This is not normally part of an Iraqi Christmas but the Mothers' Union members had learned of such events through Mothers' Union members in this country. It was a small but significant step back to normality for a city where life continues to be g r i m . Isn't it amazing that something we take for granted is such a big step in Bagdad. Please pray for our members there. We are having a lunch, Soup, Sandwiches and Sweets on Wednesday 6th February at St Michael's at 12:30 pm to raise funds for our work overseas. Why not come and meet others and support this vital work?

For more information phone Elizabeth 01394 210793.

### **MARTLESHAM WIVES**

**Next Meeting**

Monday 18th February

"Update Your First Aid" with John Mowles

**Venue**

Ann's

24 Avocet Lane

Tel: 01473 625416

For further details please contact:

Maureen - 01473 622670

Elaine - 01473 622269

### **MARTLESHAM CHILDMINING GROUP**

Haven't heard who we are yet and are a Parent, Guardian or Registered Childminder, living within the Martlesham area? The Martlesham Childminding Group is a small, friendly, voluntary group of Registered Childminders, providing help and support to each other on childminding issues. We meet on a monthly basis to swap ideas and news – and most importantly to organise stimulating and 'fun' activities for the children in our care, including: regular outings; 'special' events (e.g. Christmas, Easter, summer holiday activities, etc.); safe outdoor and indoor play; cooking; role-play; stories; music and dance; and arts and crafts. All our group members are CRB checked and fully insured. Our qualifications include: NVQ3, Nursery, and Quality Awards. Between us, we have gained an abundance of knowledge, experience, skills and training over many years and are all highly committed to our profession in childcare.

On 12th January, two of our members, Mandy Palmer and Julie-Ann Bass, were invited to attend a celebratory reception at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre in London for their success in achieving 'Outstanding' Ofsted Inspections. The event was hosted by Christine Gilbert, Her Majesty's Chief Inspector - and was an enjoyable and memorable day out – with the 'normal' jeans and tee-shirts being 'ditched' for 'smart' attire!

For further details about joining our group, or to find out more about our current childminding vacancies - including part-time, full-time, school/nursery/playgroup drops-offs and pick-ups - please phone Julie-Ann on 01473 611630

or Tricia on 01473 625837.

Julie-Ann Bass and Tricia Burrows

### **MARTLESHAM HEATH BABY AND TODDLER GROUP**

Martlesham Heath Baby and Toddler Group are here to provide an opportunity for parents and carers of young children to meet and socialise in a safe, clean environment. For anyone who would like to join us, our group is a friendly, fun place to meet with lots of toys, a sing-a-long music session and a great craft activity for the children. Refreshments are included.

Our sessions run from 9:30 to 11:30 in the morning and 1:30 to 3:30 in the afternoon on Wednesdays and Fridays in the Martlesham Heath Pavilion. Please note that our play sessions are unsupervised and the children do remain in the full care of the accompanying adult at all times.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to call Nicki on 01473 636695.

### **MARTLESHAM PLAYSCHOOL**

We hope all the children who joined us have settled in and are enjoying their time with us at Playschool. This term we will be looking at 'Our Bodies'. Each week we will be talking about different parts of the body and how we use it, plus encouraging the children to bring in anything that they feel relevant to share with the others.

Over the Christmas period our Fundraising team have been very busy and have managed to raise a fantastic £520 for playschool funds. More events are being planned for the forthcoming months so watch this space for more details.

We have had a few staff changes over the last month and would like to say a fond farewell to Louisa Smith who is embarking on a new career and welcome Caroline Swale as the new Bookings Secretary. She has taken over from Nikki Smith who has done a brilliant job over the last three years in the post and we thank her for all her hard work.

Alan Powell 01473 622458

If you are interested in sending your child to Playschool please contact Caroline on 07857 309365 or visit the website at [www.controltower.org.uk](http://www.controltower.org.uk). Also if you would like to purchase from our buysite please visit [www.buy.at/mplayschool](http://www.buy.at/mplayschool) - this will allow the playschool to earn commission on purchases made.

Kate Burrell, Secretary

### **BIRCHWOOD PRIMARY**

Birchwood Primary would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to all those who participated and contributed to the SUCCESS of the Quiz Evening, Christmas Fayre and Christmas Disco held at the end of last year. We managed to raise around £1,000 which is going towards building an outdoor classroom, much to the excitement of all the children!

### **MARTLESHAM BEACON HILL SCHOOL**

The New Year began with four new children joining the reception class and great news for the Year 5 and 6 children who have been accepted to take part in the Schools Festival at Snape Maltings on March 4th.

Already preparations are underway for rehearsals and two workshops have been organised to help children with music, dance and singing activities.

Things never seem to stand still at Beacon Hill and plans are already being made for a new library to be established to meet the needs of a modern school. The Suffolk Library Service are involved in advising on the selection of necessary equipment and furniture that would suit a 21st century library. We hope that the library will be up and running by the start of the summer term.

Although a short term lies ahead there is plenty to do and so much to achieve!

### **MARTLESHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

Our first meeting in 2008 will be an illustrated talk by Dr Alan Mackley whose subject will be "Suffolk

Landed Families and their Estates from the 17th to the 20th Centuries". Dr Mackley, who is Honorary Fellow at the School of History at the University of East Anglia, has written widely on this and related topics. We look forward to a most interesting evening.

The meeting will be held in the Pavilion on the Green, Martlesham Heath on Monday February 18th at 8 pm. All are welcome and admission is £1.50.

John Tyler - 01473 612736

### **MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY**

Friday 4th January and our new year started with an illustrated talk by Norman Honeybell, who came from Bury St Edmunds. It was in the form of a slide show and he was assisted by his friend, Ted Thomas.

In 1991 Norman visited relations in the United States. Accompanied by his wife they toured from Ohio down to Florida visiting various aviation museums on the way. Norman said how impressed he was at the cleanliness of the museums and particularly the floors. It was a fascinating illustrated talk featuring many now obscure makes of aircraft as well as well known aircraft of the more recent past. A vote of thanks was given by Don Kitt.

Our next meeting will be on Friday 1st February. All meetings are on the first Friday of the month and start at 7:30 pm at the Community Hall, Felixtowe Road. The subject is "Vulcan to the Sky", by Mr Andrew Edmundson who is the Chief Engineering Manager for this enormous project. The restored mighty Avro Vulcan flew once more on 18th October last. Eight years and more than 6 million pounds raised! Come along and see a video of the Vulcan and hear how it is proposed to keep this historic delta wing giant in the air to thrill us once more at air shows. Non-members are welcome for a payment of just £2 at the door. Or join from just £4 and get £1 of your entrance fee returned.

Alan Powell - 01473 622458

## **RAF MARTLESHAM HEATH**

The History of the former Royal Air Force station here at Martlesham Heath is very well documented in many books, arguably the finest and most comprehensive being "Martlesham Heath" by Gordon Kinsey. Whilst these books concentrate on the technological achievements and wartime successes, behind them all are very real human stories. Hugely significant events happened on this very heath in two world wars and in the peace that entwined it. Tragically these events were fraught with danger and as a result many young men paid the ultimate price in the name of freedom and development.

The Roll of Honour project has been established to ensure the perpetual memorial of those who lost their lives here between 1917 and 1963. There are several interesting aspirations in the planning however a website has been set up to publish the information already held. During the first few months of operation the site suffered some difficulties however I am pleased to say that thanks to the local web designer Mr Linn Barringer, it is once again fully operational. Please visit [martleshamheath-rollofhonour.co.uk](http://martleshamheath-rollofhonour.co.uk) or e-mail [robdrake@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:robdrake@tiscali.co.uk) for more information.

The project has been warmly received by veterans and the local community alike. I would like to extend my gratitude to all who have supported the project thus far and look forward to welcoming new visitors and supporters in the future.

Rob Drake

## **TO ALL OUR FRIENDS OF MARTLESHAM**

A simple but very sincere thank you for all your help, kindness and support which you gave to David and I over the last few months.

It was heart warming to see St Marys so full on Christmas Eve for his funeral. It is usually a very busy day and I do thank you all for giving us a couple of hours.

David was the sixth person to move onto Martlesham Heath and

from the beginning has always worked for the good of the village, especially in his role as Parish Councilor and as Chairman of the Neighborhood Association.

He always loved to walk around the Parish with his dogs, Joy, Breeze and now Gypsy and had a smile and a chat for everyone.

I would like to mention Bishop Jeremy Walsh for a beautiful service, Luke Farthing and co for a brilliantly organized occasion/funeral. I would also like to thank The Douglas Bader staff, Monica Twaits and Ann Burgh, for the catering and our great friends Alan and Margaret, Ronnie and Gerry and Diane and Nigel for simply being there.

The 114 cards I have received shows just how much David was liked and respected. I have already received over £500 towards a bench which is to be sited on the Village Green near the walkway to Warren Lane in memory of a good man.

Thanks to everyone.

Glenys Owens and Family

## **PORTAL WOODLANDS CONSERVATION GROUP**

We have been cutting trees as a result of the Suffolk Coastal Arboriculture Officer's inspection and subsequent recommendations. This has started with work on five unsafe trees, and we will be thinning others. Felling trees is time limited to the winter months to minimise the impact on wildlife. This means that the tree work itself is given priority with the clearing of the branches etc being left until later, which can make the wood look a little untidy. All the work in the wood is undertaken by volunteers and we are doing our best to get the work done with limited resources. Please bear with us.

PWCG welcomes constructive feedback and comment and we would like to thank the people who attend Nature Watch for e-mailing us with their feedback information. We are currently preparing this year's programme and will use this information to help with this process. Thank you too for all the kind

comments. We would also like to thank those people who have contacted us to let us know in which format they would like to receive our newsletters in future, i.e. hard copy or electronic.

We will be holding our AGM on Monday 7th April at 7:30 pm at the Parish Council Rooms. If anyone is interested in joining the committee please get in touch with the Group Chair via the Parish Council phone number, which is 01473 612632.

The next work morning starts at 10 am on Sunday 17th February meeting as usual at the back entrance of the Police HQ. We would be delighted to welcome any new volunteers.

For more information about PWCG and its activities, please access through our website at [www.martlesham.org.uk/portalwoodlandsgroup](http://www.martlesham.org.uk/portalwoodlandsgroup) (8,366 hits) or through Martlesham Parish Council on the phone number above. If you would like to receive news about the Group electronically, please contact us by e-mailing [pwcg@martlesham.org.uk](mailto:pwcg@martlesham.org.uk)

## **MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP**

Following the successful "Megabash" last year we plan another one with the Greenways project with a date of Saturday 23rd February, weather permitting. We would like as many people as possible to join us in maintaining our local wildlife habitat. Contact me for details of time and place to meet if you are interested in taking part. The "Megabash" will be a day of conservation activity on the heath western corridor SSSI, trying to get part of the heath back into a state more favourable to special and rare heathland wildlife.

Our regular monthly work party will take place on Sunday February 10th also on the heath. Please come and join us, no tools or special expertise is needed. Meet out on the heath or outside the Douglas Bader at 10 am if you are not sure where to find us.

Please contact us if you are interested in any of the activities of the group or would like to share

your observations on local wildlife.  
Phil Smith - 01473 625630

### **SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST**

#### **Woodbridge Group**

On Thursday 21st February we have a talk on "The Suffolk Community Barn Owl Project" with Steve Piotrowski starting at 7:30 pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall. Please come and join us for a great evening. All are welcome, you do not have to be a member. Admission is £2 as usual.

Phil Smith - 01473 625630

### **MARTLESHAM CANTILENA CHOIR**

Martlesham Cantilena Choir is a group of singers from Martlesham and the surrounding area and their next performance is the concert below directed by Helen Patricia Ellison (nee Burrows) who is a local composer and musician recently married and now living in Kesgrave. As well as private teaching of music to students of all ages she is currently producing a concert to celebrate Howard Blake's (composer of 'The Snowman') 70th Birthday to be held in Woodbridge, the town of some of his ancestors, at Woodbridge Quay Church on Saturday 8th March at 7:30 pm. Tickets – full £12/children (under 16) £8.

Howard Blake's great grandfather, Henry Andrews, was pastor of this church for 17 years from 1870 to 1887.

Howard Blake has composed a wide variety of music from films and television advertisements to classical. The evening's concert has been arranged by HPB Productions and Publications and will feature a selection of many different types of his music and will be performed by:-

Martlesham Cantilena Choir  
Co-op Conventio Youth Choir  
Alexandra Corner – soprano  
Nick Fowler - high baritone  
Carol Dolan – flute  
Helen P Burrows – violin  
Piano accompanists – Helen Burrows, David Ruddock, Valerie Shelley and Geraldine Taylor  
Helen Burrows and family

On Saturday September 20th

have known Howard Blake for a number of years during which time Helen studied composition with him and undertaken several arrangements of his music for him.

Profit from the concert will go to the Restoration and Development of Woodbridge Quay Church and to events of the Hope 08 Initiative.

For further information and tickets, please contact:-  
HPB Productions and Publications,  
63 Dobbs Lane, Kesgrave, IP5 2QE – 01473 611270

or  
The Burrows family, 17 Squires Lane, Martlesham Heath, IP5 3UG – 01473 625196

### **MARTLESHAM CARPET BOWLS CLUB**

We finished our year with a social evening on 19th December. Judith put a lot of effort into organising the fun competitions which appeared to be easy but everyone had difficulty in getting the bowls to finish where they should! There were excellent refreshments organised by Susan and we all said what a good evening it had been. With the end of the holiday period we now have to get down to the serious business of winning some matches to improve our position in the league. We have been knocked out of competitions for the Joe Rice Cup and Chairman's Plate so have no excuses to say we have too many matches in a short period. Our Annual Dinner has been arranged for 7th February at the Admiral's Head, Little Bealings and it appears that we will have a good turn out. Our Secretary, Shirley Hull will be pleased to help anybody who wishes to know more about the club, she can be contacted on 01473 721606.

Maureen Banthorp

### **THE MOB**

#### **Aka Martlesham Old Boys FC**

The Old Boys are going well in the first season in the top division of The Sunday League, currently [as I write] standing proudly top of the pile. The division is very tight with the potential winners still looking to come from any one of half a dozen clubs who are all fighting and taking points off of each other. All

7 pm until 7.30 pm

we have to do is win more games than the rest – sounds easy like that. The boys are more than capable of it with the MOB brand of playing football as it was intended; with the ball on the floor and everyone working for each other and the team.

We still play our home games at Nacton Rec. so get a bit of fresh air one Sunday and come down to watch. We kick off at 10:15, entry is free and so is the pleasure.

The Mobster

### **CONQUER YOUR FEAR OF PUBLIC SPEAKING**

**Make 2008 the Year you lose your Fear of Public Speaking!**

Speak Easy @ Martlesham Speakers Club (a local branch of Toastmasters International) helps its members to improve their public speaking, communication and leadership skills.

Here are six good reasons to join Speak Easy @ Martlesham Speakers Club and improve your ability to communicate:

1. Good communicators can be more effective in everyday events.
2. Persuasive speaking is an important and valued skill. It helps you to put ideas across, give successful presentations and do your work more effectively.
3. It affects people's perceptions of you in meetings, on the telephone and in one-to-one conversations.
4. Whatever your aims may be, much of your success in life depends on your ability to communicate effectively.
5. Toastmasters International provides the tools to develop these important skills. You learn by doing, by speaking to groups in comfortable and supportive surroundings.
6. The Toastmasters programme has proved itself globally. There are more than 220,000 members in more than 11,300 clubs in approximately 90 countries.

Speak Easy @ Martlesham holds its regular meetings at 7:15 pm on alternate Thursdays of the month. Meetings are held in the Richards Room, Martlesham Community Hall, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham (behind Tesco).

If you are interested in finding out more, come along to a meeting as a guest, and see what we do. This doesn't cost anything, and there is no pressure for you to speak unless you want to. You will be made very welcome!

Further details can be found at [www.speakeasyatmartlesham.co.uk](http://www.speakeasyatmartlesham.co.uk) or contact Sue Browne on 07730 971186 or Dave Nightingale on 07969 598633.

Our next meetings are on:-

- \*Thursday 21st February
- \*Thursday 6th March
- \*Thursday 20th March

### **1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUTS**

Thank you to everyone who supported our Scout Christmas Post, especially to Duncan's, BT and the Black Tiles Stores for hosting a post box. Once again there was an increase in the number of cards, and monies raised will provide a welcome boost to our fundraising efforts. The boys are all back to regular meetings after their Christmas break, and ready to begin work on this term's programme. The Scouts are preparing for their annual Frostbite Camp from 1st - 3rd February - good luck to them!! As ever we would welcome anyone who feels they could help the Group in any way, from leading a section to helping with odd jobs. We are currently looking to employ a cleaner for a few hours a week. For more details please call Christina on 0473 624516.

### **SUFFOLK YOUNG ENTERPRISE - EASTERN AREA BOARD**

Are you a successful business man/woman or are you semi-retired or retired and can spare a few hours once a month or every two months to sit on the Eastern Area Board for Suffolk Young Enterprise. These people (yes, we need more than one!) will help drive the recruitment of business advisers to work in local

schools as well as help organise the finals in April each year and recruit judges for the competition. Other areas include fundraising and sponsorship for these events. The Eastern Board is currently based at Kesgrave High School with meetings taking place at around 5 pm. If you are interested and would like more information please contact me (the only board member at the moment!) either via e-mail [stingey.eastye@btinternet.com](mailto:stingey.eastye@btinternet.com) or call and leave a message on 01473 611628.

Thanks, Stuart Tingey

### **ST ELIZABETH HOSPICE USED STAMPS APPEAL**

A great big THANK YOU to everyone who saved their used stamps this Christmas time and posted them through my letter box. I've recently taken five carrier bags full of stamps to the Hospice in Foxhall Road, Ipswich, which is a brilliant response to my appeal.

Please continue to support your local Hospice by collecting stamps during the coming year. Even if you only manage to collect a few, they soon make a difference when added together. Every penny earned from the sale of these stamps will help the Hospice.

Thank you all for your continued support.  
Bev Read, 15 Demesne Gardens,  
Martlesham Heath - 01473 622721

### **POPPY APPEAL COLLECTION KESGRAVE AND DISTRICT BRANCH**

I wish to thank everyone who took part in this year's Poppy Appeal. The Kesgrave and District Branch of The Royal British Legion covers the areas of Kesgrave, Martlesham, Rushmere and Playford.

I have been the Poppy Appeal Organiser for the Kesgrave and District Branch for the past twelve years or so. Over those twelve years the amount raised in our area has increased enormously thanks to the continued contribution of so many volunteers during those two weeks in November.

At the moment, the amount collected stands at **£20,645.96**. This is almost a £5,000 increase on last year and a fantastic amount for a community such as ours.

Some of the collection point totals are as follows: Kesgrave Tesco £3,618; Martlesham Tesco £4,879; Sainsburys £7,757; Schools £620; Martlesham businesses (including BT) £1,449; Kesgrave businesses £702; House to House £815.

I would like to thank everyone who took part in the Appeal whether it was to help construct (or take apart) the collecting boxes,

collecting, counting the money or simply donating to the Appeal – well done to you all, a truly wonderful result! I would also like to say a big thank you to the staff at the three supermarkets which allow our collectors to collect at their stores. They were very welcoming and accommodating and made life for our collectors (some of whom are not in the first throws of youth) as comfortable as possible, especially on those very cold days in November.

Don Whinney

PAO Kesgrave and District Branch  
The Royal British Legion

### **SUFFOLK WESTERN FRONT ASSOCIATION**

**Exhibition and Seminar on 1918 at Kesgrave Community Centre 15th and 16th March**

To celebrate the ninetieth anniversary of the end of the First World War the Western Front Association have organised an exhibition and seminar with world-class speakers giving talks on the theme of the year 1918, the year that saw the greatest battlefield victories ever achieved by the British Army.

The exhibition and seminar weekend is split into 3 days with Friday for schools only.

**Saturday 15th March** - with an exhibition in the morning, and in the afternoon, talks by Gordon Corrigan on 'Myth and Reality in the Great War' and local boy Taff Gillingham, (consultant to the Trench, the Christmas Truce, the Bad



Lads series, the Forgotten Company and many other television series) on 'The Winning Team – the British Infantry in 1918'.

**Sunday 16th March** - Sunday's programme is **Joanna Legg**: 'The German Spring Advance', **Peter Hart**: 'The Air War in 1918', **Peter Simkins**: 'At the Sharp End; the 12th Eastern Division in the last hundred days', **Correlli Barnett**: 'August to November 1918; The Forgotten Victory'.

Tickets; Saturday only - **£6** each  
Sunday only - **£15** each including tea, coffee and lunch

Joint Saturday/Sunday - **£20** each

If you want to attend, book via the website [www.khakidevil.co.uk/1918.html](http://www.khakidevil.co.uk/1918.html)

OR alternatively, please write to: '1918 Seminar', Farmers Guide, Parkside, London Road, Ipswich, IP2 OSS.

Please make cheques payable to: 'Suffolk WFA Events' and enclose a SAE.

For any queries, please call 07889 289 821.

### **SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM, KESGRAVE**

**"Let It Rain" - Amanda Marshall - (from the album 'Tuesday's Child') Epic label - January 2001**

On a recent Friday late shift it rained incessantly. Miserable weather to work in you might think but the plus side for police officers everywhere is that it helps keep the levels of crime down by keeping would-be troublemakers off the streets. Through various channels we had been made aware of a potential confrontation that was supposed to take place within the community between two bunches of lads at location X.

We knew who one half of the confrontation was and so we went to advise his parents of what we had been told and we were assured that he would not be out that evening - and from our perspective, with 50% of the confrontation removed, all that was left was to disperse anybody from the 'other side' who might turn up.

The rain came down and nobody turned up...with the exception of the lad (with a mate)

whose parents we had spoken to - who had assured us he would be in all evening. One phone call and he was summonsed home.

In a way, this little story shows how important it is to know (and I mean actually know) what your youngsters are up to - and this is a topic I covered about 8 or 9 months ago.

With a very small number being the exception (and they are either in prison or on curfew), we think the vast majority of youngsters are just fine - once all the stereotypes (on both sides) have been broken down. Not all anti-social behaviour is caused by young people - I can assure you of that!

So - to parents - once again - PLEASE make the effort to keep tabs on your children - especially between the ages of about 12 and 16.

Mick Richardson Ps 535, Safer Neighbourhood Team, Kesgrave & District

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[www.safersuffolk.org.uk](http://www.safersuffolk.org.uk)

- Switchboard (24/7) 01473 613500

### **WOODBIDGE PROBUS CLUB**

Chairman Jeff Franklin reported on a very successful year showing financial stability and a continued net increase in membership at the Annual General Meeting of Woodbridge Probus Club held at Waldringfield Heath Golf Club on Monday 7th January. He handed over to 2008 Chairman, David Levett, whose plans for the year include talks on a wide range of subjects, a visit to the Suffolk Punch Trust and the ever-popular annual ladies lunch at Seckford Hall in September.

The next meeting will be on Monday 4th February when the Driving Standards Agency will present "Arrive Alive". Retired or semi-retired men interested in membership should contact Ron Fisher (01473 631347).

### **LIONS CLUB OF WOODBRIDGE & DISTRICT**

With the Christmas season now past

we can draw our breath before preparations get under way for the Elmhurst Extravaganza. January is the now traditional time for the Zone quiz, contested by the Lions and Lioness Clubs in South Suffolk. Ipswich retained the trophy, beating Woodbridge's team by just one point. Our congratulations to Ipswich and best wishes as they represent us in the East Anglian round.

The breathing space allows us to have a couple of social events and also to look back at what was achieved in those hectic weeks up to Christmas. Funds were raised from street and store collections and from two nights of a sleigh ride around Woodbridge. Our thanks to

everyone who gave so generously and especially those who came out to the sleigh with the younger children, making those evenings such enjoyable and friendly occasions. Proceeds of course went to the Christmas parcels appeal. This year a record 220 parcels were delivered in and around Woodbridge, as well as substantial donations of groceries to a number of hostels and refuges - sadly, Christmas can see people and families seeking shelter from a number of reasons. Whilst we cannot solve the man problems, we can make the season just that bit special. The contribution of groceries and imaginative displays from Farlingaye High School must be mentioned - every year seems more impressive than the last. We could not hope to continue the appeal on the scale it has reached without the support of many other organisations - too numerous to name each one, but our thanks to them nonetheless.

You may contact the Lions Club of Woodbridge & District on 0845 8332820.

Peter See

### **FAIR TRADE CLOTHES SHOW**

A Fair Trade Fashion Show is being held in Woodbridge on February 23rd to highlight the many products available which guarantee a better deal for Third

World workers. Everyone is invited to come along to Woodbridge Methodist Church to view and purchase food, fashion and other Fair Trade goods.

The stalls (no ticket required) will be open from 10 am and the Fair Trade Café will be serving refreshments all day. The catwalk shows will be at 6:30 pm and 8 pm; tickets £5. For more information and tickets, please phone 01473 626858.

### **LEUKAEMIA RESEARCH/ SOMERSHAM WARD**

I would like to thank everyone who purchased scarves from me at the recent Christmas Craft Fair held at St Michael's Church. I would also like to say how extremely grateful I am to my kind neighbour, who held a coffee morning in order to help sell the scarves - thank you to all those who attended for your support. Finally, a special thank you to my mother, for the time and effort she spent knitting the scarves. A grand total of £600 has been raised, which will be divided evenly between the two charities.

Sharon Lee

### **ARE YOU AN ARTIST OR CRAFTSPERSON?**

Suffolk Open Studios is an established art organisation whose aim it is to promote the creation and appreciation of the visual arts throughout Suffolk, by opening their studios to the public collectively in June and holding various exhibitions throughout the year.

The organisation is run by artists for artists. Members become part of a mutually supportive group which gives artists the chance to make friends and work co-operatively with like minded people.

Heading the organisation for the past 2 years has been a new committee, during which time has focused and reviewed the structure and management of the organisation firming up its plans for the future.

**2008** sees SOS focusing on its core activities, the **Showcase Exhibition** in May, **Open Studios** in June and the **Autumn Exhibition** in

November, as well as supporting members wishing to organise **SOS Member Exhibitions** at other times during the year.

New for SOS sponsored by **Great Art & the East Anglian Daily Times**, is an **ART PRIZE** to the value of £500 for outstanding work. The winner will be selected from the artwork displayed at the SOS Showcase Exhibition by a panel of external judges.

The **SOS website** has continued to grow and now contains comprehensive information for those wishing to become members, and those wishing to explore members work and SOS exhibitions. For 2008 a **chat forum** is planned as an extension to the **Notice board** for members to communicate with each other.

The colour **SOS directory** containing the member's details is a vital tool for the organisation. Revised for 2008, the directory is to include an alphabetical index of members, as well as collating those opening their studios into area groups, making it easy for visitors to find particular artists and to plan their visits. This will be available towards the end of April throughout Suffolk.

SOS is a non-selective, supportive organisation, containing members who are committed makers or exhibitors of quality, original works of art and or craft, producing a wealth of artistic expression, style, approach and techniques in an incredible range of materials and disciplines

For further information and to apply online for membership please visit [www.suffolkopenstudios.co.uk](http://www.suffolkopenstudios.co.uk) or if you would prefer ring Alison Calvesbert (01449 613077) to request a hard copy application form.

### **BRIGHTWELL CHURCH**

CONGRATULATIONS - IT'S A BOY!  
Our best wishes go to Jessica and Jamie Niblock on the safe arrival of their son Ewan, a baby brother for Evie. This new arrival has created an overnight population explosion in Brightwell, increasing the number of residents by about 2%.

2008 starts off with a bang

as the Quinquennial Report hits the fake beech veneered chipboard desk of the Secretary. This Report is compiled by the Architect appointed by the Diocese to inspect the Church building and report on its condition with recommendations for repairs and renovations. Fortunately on this occasion the report does not list many concerns and so the financial implications will not be too great.

So we can look forward to a year of good things in our calendar with special some special Services and pastoral events at the Church and our usual series of events at the Hut. In March we have two functions you should not miss - the Music Quiz on Friday 8th March at 7:30 pm in the Village Hall with a Brightwell Supper as usual, and on Sunday March 30th a Service of Celtic Worship at the Church at 6:30 pm.

On Friday 4th April we welcome Roy Tricker to the Church to speak on its history. Roy is an authority on church history in Suffolk and this talk is not to be missed. Ring the Box Office on 01473 624130 for tickets for the Music Quiz and the History Talk. Geoff Lambert, PCC Secretary  
[www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com)

### **BRIGHTWELL PCC PRESENTS**

#### **QUIZ AND QUICHE**

THE MUSIC QUIZ WITH  
IMAGINATION

BRIGHTWELL VILLAGE HALL  
FRIDAY 7TH MARCH AT 7:30 PM

BUFFET SUPPER AND RAFFLE

TICKETS £3 FROM 01473  
624130 OR 01473 625512

### **HOLY FAMILY & SAINT MICHAEL**

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

This is a busy time for the parish with Bishop Michael leading

a day of study, prayer and reflection on the Sacrament of Marriage. The normal activities continue, adult education in the faith, prayer groups, the Catholic Women's League and the Parish Pastoral Council, etc. It hardly seems like Christmas has finished but in early February we start the season of Lent to prepare for the great mystery of Easter.

If you would like to be kept informed of services and activities please visit the website at [www.st-mary.org.uk](http://www.st-mary.org.uk) or ask to receive a regular copy of the weekly parish newsletter and monthly parish magazine by telephoning the Presbytery on 01473 728115.

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

### **MARTLESHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

**Black Tiles Lane**  
**[www.m-c-f.org](http://www.m-c-f.org)**

"Violence!"

Since the days of Cain and Abel, violence has stalked the earth. The riots in far off Kenya have demonstrated how quickly peaceful communities can become antagonistic. The trial of the five prostitutes has brought the reality of mindless violence to our local community.

The causes of bloodshed are many (perhaps 'injustice' in Kenya), but the main causes appear to be selfishness and greed. There is a ready willingness to forget the dignity and worth of a victim and to close one's mind to the suffering caused, all for the sake of some selfish gratification. We are all made in the image of God and are therefore brothers and sisters in His creation. Who would normally want to hurt a member of his own family?

We have been studying Philippians in our House Groups recently. The standards set there are high (Ch. 2) - "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests,

but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Jesus Christ, who for the sake of us all, became obedient to death, even the death of the cross."

### **ACTIVITIES IN FEBRUARY**

#### **Sunday Services**

Family Service at 10 am with 'Sunspot' for children

Communion - 11:45 am

**Tuesday Circle** - 12th February

"Recipes from my American Kitchen"

#### **Tuesdays and Wednesdays**

Housegroups - 7:30 pm

#### **Thursdays**

Toddler Group - 10 am

Youth Club - 7 pm

#### **Fridays**

"Friends on Friday" - 10 am

Living Room (informal/relaxing) - 10th February at 6 pm

For further information see the website, or contact Julia Faulkner (01473 625482), or John Mellen (01473 624401).

### **Come and enjoy lunch**

**Wednesday 6th February**  
**at St Michael's Church Centre**  
**at 12:30 pm**

**Soup, Sandwiches, Sweets**  
**Tea and Coffee**

**Proceeds to Mothers' Union**  
**Overseas Projects**

### **MARTLESHAM CHURCH**

We know that the people in Iraq are having a terrible time. Baghdad is considered the most dangerous parish in the world and last July the Vicar there, Canon Andrew White, had to flee for his life. He was able to return in time for the Christmas services but it was too dangerous for them to be held in the church building. The congregation met in the Prime Ministers' office - and with an armed guard. We are so fortunate in Martlesham, we are free to worship in two church buildings and we do not need an armed guard.

But we all worship the same God. Maybe you do not come to our services but wonder what we do and why. At the moment we have

three groups taking part in a 'Christianity Explored' course. It is very informal and there is opportunity to ask all the questions you ever wanted to ask. Why not come and join us, or come to one of our services on a Sunday? You can be sure of a warm welcome. Why not decide now? Phone the Rev Ian Naylor on 01473 622424.

### **BRIGHT STARS**

Services for February will be **Monday February 25th** (no service on 11th February due to half-term).

We welcome all pre-school children and babies along with their carers to our fun, child-friendly services which are held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month during term time. We meet at 10:30 am in St Michael's Church

Centre. There is a chance to meet for refreshments and a chat after

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the service which lasts about half an hour.

For more details about Bright Stars please call Pauline on 01473 625061 or Jo on 01473 622160.

### **THE WOMAN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

**at St Michael's and All Angels Church**

**on Friday 7th March at 10:30 am**

The service has been prepared by the Christian women of Guyana

**Theme: "God's Wisdom Provides New Understanding"**

**Speaker: Mrs Sally Gough**

**EVERYONE MOST WELCOME**

There will be services at Melton and in Woodbridge.

Details in March.

### **AGE CONCERN SUFFOLK DIAMOND JUBILEE YEAR**

**Day Care Awareness Month - February**

As part of our **60th Year Celebration** we are starting the



## THE CHURCH IN MARTLESHAM & BRIGHTWELL

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CLERGY: The Revd. Elizabeth Corker, 12 Fairfield Avenue, Felixstowe, Tel: 01394 210793  
The Revd. Heather Cooke, 9 Swan Close, Martlesham Heath, Tel: 623770

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Lewis Currie, 18 Parkers Place, Martlesham Heath, Tel: 01473 625320

ELDERS: Margaret Rollins, 9 Angela Close, Tel: 01473 623868; Monica Twaits, 39 Angela Close,  
Tel: 01473 623194

Services for the Month	Brightwell St. John's	Martlesham St. Mary's	Martlesham Heath St. Michael's
Sunday 3rd February Candlemas	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion BCP	9:45am All Age Worship 6:30pm Informal Worship
Wednesday 6th Feb Ash Wednesday	7:45pm Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion	10am Holy Communion
Sunday 10th February Lent 1		8am Holy Communion 11am All Age Worship with CMS	9:45am Family Holy Communion & Junior Church
Sunday 17th February Lent 2	8am Holy Communion	11am Family Holy Communion	9:45am Worship & Junior Church
Sunday 24th February Lent 3	6:30pm Evensong	8am Holy Communion 11am Matins	9:45am Family Holy Communion & Junior Church
Sunday 2nd March Lent 4 Mothering Sunday	8am Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion BCP 6:30pm Evensong	9:45am All Age Worship

**MIDWEEK SERVICES:** Holy Communion each Wednesday at 10am in St Michael's Church Centre. Bright Stars will meet at 10:30am on Monday 25th February in St Michael's. A warm welcome awaits you at all the above services. **Please note:** During Lent there will be shared services of Evensong with Newbourne on 10/02/08, Waldringfield on 17/02/08, Brightwell on 24/02/08 and St Mary's on 02/03/08. All services at 6:30pm

### PRAYER DIARY FOR FEBRUARY

Please use these thoughts as an addition to your daily prayers:

5 for success of Mothers' Union Overseas Lunch at St Michael's  
6 Ash Wednesday - for observance of this day in a spiritual way  
7 for residents of Mill Lane  
8 for those involved in "Christianity Explored" course  
9 for the Queen and her family  
10 that we may examine our faith during Lent  
11 give thanks that we are free to worship  
12 for Christian Solidarity Worldwide and all relief agencies  
13 for residents of Netherwood Court  
14 for those preparing for Christian marriage  
15 for safe driving on our roads  
16 that our faith may support us through life  
17 for those leading worship today  
18 for lasting peace in Iraq and Afghanistan  
19 for the people of Kenya following recent violence and unrest  
20 for the residents of Newbourne Road  
21 give thanks for all our families and friends

22 for Guide and Scout groups on Thinking Day  
23 for the sick in hospital and at home  
24 that we may all feel God's presence today  
25 for doctors and nurses  
26 for work at St Elizabeth Hospice  
27 for residents of Nunn Close  
28 thank God for his unconditional love to us all  
29 for those who feel lonely and unloved  
**MAR 1** St David's Day - for our Welsh friends and for Wales  
2 Mothering Sunday - for mothers and those who would like to be mothers  
3 for the unemployed - may they soon find work  
4 for the local schools, the staff and the pupils