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A view of Martlesham Creek taken by Jo Fincham

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COMMUNITY RESPONDERS

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

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

POLICE

Community Police Officer PC 1732 Rachel Cable

In case of emergencies please always call 999.

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

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

Martlesham Monthly - Needs You

Can You Spare approximately 4 hours on the Last Thursday morning of each month to help us with the Martlesham Monthly Magazine Collation.

Duties are:-

Open Scout Hut

Put out tables and chairs for helpers

Take delivery of magazines from printer

Take delivery of inserts

Organize helpers to put inserts into magazine and count out into bundles.

Organize coffee etc for helpers

Put away tables etc at the end and lock up.

Martlesham Monthly desperately needs your help to keep our magazine going. You will be given lots of support by the Editorial Team

If you can help or need more information please email Paul Firman.

paulfirman@talktalk.net or call Gwynneth Johnson 01473 611025

MARTLESHAM VILLAGE HALL

TOP STREET

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

For any queries or bookings please contact 01473 623655.

THE MARTLESHAM HEATH PAVILION

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

<http://www.martlesham.org.uk/pavillion/index.htm>

which also contains details of our current rates and hiring conditions

MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY HALL AND RICHARDS ROOM

To enquire about booking Martlesham Community Hall or the Richards Room please telephone the Booking secretary on 01473 623203 who will be available to help you with your enquiry or will telephone you back if not available.

Alternatively e-mail the new e-mail address martcomhall@btinternet.com

MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Litter pick on Saturday morning 10 May 2014

Please join in – meet 10am in the Parish Room, Felixstowe Road. Sacks and gloves will be provided, along with a mid-morning break for refreshments!

Two Vacancies for Parish Councillors - Your Village Needs You!

At its meeting on 07 May 2014 the Parish Council will be considering the co-option of 2 councillors to fill vacancies caused by recent resignations. Come & join us in trying to look after our parish!

If you would like to know more, the best way is to come along to a full Council or committee meeting, as listed below. The Clerk is also happy to provide information or put you in touch with a councillor to get first-hand knowledge!

Your parish councillors represent many walks of life and their work experience and local knowledge is invaluable in advising others and ensuring that the interests of the Parish are taken into account. We need input from both young and old, irrespective of gender, employment status

or race. The Council's current activities include:

- maintenance of footpaths and the Common
- provision and maintenance of bus shelters, litter and dog-dirt bins and seats
- maintaining four play areas and bike trails
- grass cutting and maintenance of the Green and Recreation Ground
- major challenges at this time include Neighbourhood Planning, the BT & Bloor Homes developments.

What have we been doing recently?

- Replacing the damaged height barrier at the Community Hall
- Improving the surface of the Felixstowe Road picnic site
- Carrying out repairs to the play areas
- Giving out grants to local organisations at the Annual Parish Meeting
- Responding to planning applications in the interest of the parish

Forthcoming meetings:

Parish Council meeting – Wednesday 7 May 2014

Recreation & Amenities Committee – Wednesday 14 May 2014

Finance & General Purposes Committee – Wednesday 28 May 2014

Parish Council meeting – Wednesday 4 June 2014

All meetings start at 7.30pm in the Parish Room, Felixstowe Road, and are open to the public, who are welcome to ask questions or make comments to the council during the adjournment.

Contacting the Council

Clerk to Martlesham Parish Council, Parish Room, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham, Woodbridge IP12 4PB

01473 612632

e-mail: clerk@martleshamcouncil.org.uk

website: <http://martlesham.onesuffolk.net> for latest news & events

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

CHRIS BLUNDELL'S DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT

Fly-Tipping. Fly-tipping at any time is a menace to those on the receiving end. A new partnership approach to tackling fly-tipping was celebrated at a recent conference entitled "Tripping up the Tippers" according to a recent News Release by SCDC.

The Conference was celebrating the achievements of the fly-tipping reduction project, which saw delegates from local authorities, housing associations, landowners representatives and other organisations from across the East of England gather at Trinity Park. In 2013 the 'Suffolk Waste Partnership' was awarded

£28,000 funding from Defra to develop a campaign, branded "Tip-Off Stop Fly-Tipping in Suffolk" to improve the prevention, reporting, investigation and clearing of fly-tipped waste while reducing associated costs across Suffolk. The conference celebrated the formation of the 'Suffolk Fly-Tipping Action Group' (STAG) with representatives from all Suffolk local authorities, the Environment Agency, Suffolk Trading Standards the NFU and CLA.

Two Suffolk-wide multi-agency enforcement actions (called operation 'Tip-Off') to stop and search waste collectors took place in September 2013 and January 2014. Additional actions being undertaken include giving widespread

publicity to successful fly-tipping prosecutions and the issuing of guidance for householders, business and landowners on preventing and reporting illegal dumping. Also alerting businesses to changes to the waste carrier registration regime in force from 1st January 2014.

Reminders: If you have a community based interest then I have some funds available to help your group so please let me know your requirements. Please be aware that the new form of individual electoral registration will be rolled out from June 2014 onwards.

If you would like to discuss these or any other matters with me I can be contacted on 01473 622716 or by email at www.chris.blundell@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk.

Diamond Jubilee Bike Trails (access via track off Main Road, Martlesham)

Volunteers needed to Join Operational Management Team (OMT)

The bike trails were opened in 2012 and since then have been successfully used and maintained by a variety of young people with support from Martlesham Parish Council's working group known as the OMT. The group's members have included our local PCSO, councillors, a youth worker, local residents and young people, who manage the trails to ensure, as far as practically possible, their safe use and availability for the amenity of young people from the parish and surrounding areas. Meetings take place quarterly or as required. Come & help organise a summer event to attract new riders. New members are urgently needed to support this valuable work!

For more information or to register an interest, please contact the Clerk (details as per Martlesham Parish Council).

JOHN KELSO DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

Update on legal challenge to Local Development Framework

I am advised by Geoff Holdcroft, Suffolk Coastal Cabinet member with responsibility for planning that No Adastral New Town (NANT) has written directly to the Court of Appeal appealing against the decision made in favour of Suffolk Coastal. NANT are citing three grounds and declaring that the original judge Mrs Justice Patterson had erred in interpreting the law. Suffolk Coastal is expecting a decision to be made on this appeal within about one month. If this written application fails then NANT could seek an oral hearing which could take up to six months to be heard.

Suffolk Coastal estimates that since it received the NANT claim in August 2013 it has spent nearly £32,000 in direct costs which includes Counsels fees, travel costs and court fees. However if you include Council staff time the total cost would be over £52,000.

Bloor Homes at Pipes Field and Mill Farm

Additional information has now been supplied to Suffolk Coastal Planning department by the applicant regarding the conditions that were applied when this application was granted. These documents contain details on road and drainage construction. I have not been advised as to when the work will actually start on site

If you or a family member live within Martlesham and are interested in applying to purchase, part purchase or rent the affordable properties to be built as part of this development you will need to apply to be on the Councils housing waiting list. You can do this on line or by visiting the Councils offices at Melton Hill, Woodbridge.

Community Enabling Budget (CEB) Grants.

I have awarded a grant of £300 to Martlesham Heath Aviation Society to purchase a TV and DVD player for use at their Control Tower Museum

If you are a member of a Martlesham organisation or if you are thinking of starting an organisation and you require funds please contact me to see if you meet the necessary requirements for funding. The new grant year commenced in April.

Martlesham National Census Information

The following information regarding the Martlesham Ward was found from the most recent census. Martlesham has 2,261 dwelling places with a population of 4,897, 23.8% of whom are aged over 64 and 24% are aged under 25. In the over 16 group 60.1% are married or in a civil partnership and 45.1% have 5 GCSEs or higher educational qualifications. 62.6% of people aged between 16 and 74 are in employment. Further Information is available from www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk

If you wish to discuss any of the above matters or any other Suffolk Coastal issues please contact me john.kelso@suffolkcoastal.gov.uk or by telephoning 01473 631682

John Kelso District Councillor Martlesham Ward

MARTLESHAM HEATH HOUSEHOLDERS

By way of clarification, it was agreed at the recent AGM in March that the maintenance charge for the period 1st July 2014 to the 30th June 2015 will remain at £20 per dwelling. Should the subscription remain unpaid after the 1st March, 2015, however, the amount payable will rise to £25. The resolution was passed unanimously.

A discussion took place about the prospect of the maintenance charge being raised by £5 to £25 in the period 2015-16, and this proposal was put in the context of the rising costs that MHHL face and the fact that no increase has been implemented for several years. This will be considered in due course, but as an illustration of expenditure, the work undertaken to rectify the storm damage from last autumn has approached £4,000.

A survey of trees on MHHL land will be carried out to enable a systematic plan of maintenance to be developed, accompanied by an annual budget for this work. The tree surgeons employed by MHHL now display signs to confirm that they have its support and authority.

MHHL have finally taken over ownership of the North Green. The secretary was notified that the legal processes concerning the transfer from Graingers were completed recently, and this protracted issue is now resolved.

At a recent meeting, members of the Portal Woodlands Conservation Group (PWCG) gave a presentation about their proposal to establish a more appropriate storage and education centre in the woods. PWCG had anticipated many of the potential concerns about this idea, and members of MHHL were impressed with the quality of the planning, and endorsed this proposal. Formal planning procedures will now take place.

MHHL will make a £100 donation to the "Martlesham in Bloom" scheme to help pay for hanging baskets in the Square. Similarly, £1000 has been given to Martlesham Heath Aviation Society to offset some of the costs incurred in improving the fencing around the Control Tower, work that was made necessary by anti-social behaviour. As members are aware, MHHL have responsibility for the maintenance of this building.

We have been informed by the police that the case regarding graffiti has been closed owing to lack of evidence, illustrating the need for residents to be vigilant and report any issues of anti-social behaviour.

For many years, MHHL has benefitted from the exemplary leadership provided by Tony Mahoney, who as Chairman has been responsible for overseeing many of the initiatives MHHL has carried out. Tony has decided to relinquish the Chairmanship, but fortunately will remain a member of the Board. Our thanks go to him for his unstinting work and excellent guidance. He has been replaced by David Foster, another Director, whose experience and knowledge will be assets in this role.

MHHL can be contacted via PO Box 897, Martlesham Heath, IP1 9PB, by voicemail on 01473 612207, or by e-mail (mhh@martlesham.org.uk). Information is also available on the website: <http://mhh.martlesham.org.uk>

CALLING ALL MUMSThe next meeting of Martlesham Mums' Club will be held at St. Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath on Tuesday, 6th May between 12.45 and 2.30pm. Lunch will be served around 1.00pm followed by a return visit from Philip Byrne who will talk to us about 'Baby and Toddler First Aid'. All mums with babies and toddlers will be most welcome.

Looking ahead—Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 3rd June when we will welcome Jo Cresdee from 'Lazy Daisy'.

The Mums' Club is a group of Mums who meet together once a month to share lunch, friendship and a social time together. Our meetings start with a snack lunch which is provided for you and your child/ren for a donation of £2 per adult. You can then relax and either listen to an interesting speaker or join in an activity (whichever is arranged for that day).

For more details please phone Sue on 01473 624130.

The DRINKS AND DRIBBLES BABY CAFE will be open in St. Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath between 10am and noon on Thursdays, 1st and 15th May. This is a 'drop in' for mums with babies and toddlers. We offer refreshments, friendship and toys. Why not bring your friends or come and make new ones?

MARTLESHAM PLAYSCHOOL

Thank you to everyone who joined us at our Easter events at the end of last term, the weather was fantastic, the children had a thoroughly enjoyable time and we've raised money to replace some of our equipment.

September seems such a long way away, but if you are looking for high quality childcare then please contact us now. We shall have spaces for the September term, and MAY have some all day spaces. All 3 & 4 year olds are entitled to 15 funded hours a week. If you meet the criteria, 2 year olds can also be funded in the same way (contact us for more info).

We serve families on and near to Grange Farm and Martlesham Heath, but we would like to hear from you if you live or work in surrounding villages and beyond, and need childcare from a well-regarded, long-standing playschool.

To put your child's name on the waiting list please visit our website for more details :- www.playschool.martlesham.org.uk or contact me on 01473 621315. We are a popular and well thought of playschool and are registered to take children from 2 years and the younger you register your child the better. We are next to Gorseland School so make an appointment to come and look round, and see what we have to offer.

Caroline Swale (Business Manager)

MARTLESHAM HEATH BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

Martlesham Heath Baby and Toddler Group are a small, friendly, relaxed toddler group meeting twice a week every Wednesday and Friday morning from 9.30 to 11.30am at the Pavilion in Martlesham.

The group is non profit making and all monies raised are put back into the group. Our group is run on a voluntary basis by a committee solely made up of parents and carers who attend the sessions.

A BIG thank you to all who attended and supported our Easter Parties during April, we ate far too much cake and chocolate but we did raise more funds for the group. We couldn't run without the support of our members and their generosity.

We will be operating for the summer term from Wednesday April 23rd and 25th April. Plans are already afoot for celebrations for Fathers Day and The World Cup 2014 so watch this space for further details. We will also be holding a charity stall at Kesgrave Market on Saturday May 17th where we will have some delicious sweet treats for sale, a kid's lucky dip and a grown ups raffle. Please come along and support us and grab a prize !

We would love to see some new faces so if you've never visited us before, please come along and join us for a cuppa and biscuit ! We look forward to seeing you there.

mhbabyandtoddlergroup@yahoo.co.uk or find us Facebook and Netmums.co.uk
Sam Whitehouse

BRIGHT STARS

Bright Stars is a fun children's activity and worship session for babies, toddlers, preschoolers and their parents and carers held on the 2nd and 4th Monday's of each month (during term time), 10:30am at St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath IP5 3PL. We have fun with crafts, stories, singing and games. The half hour sessions are free and are followed by refreshments and a chance to chat and play. Why not come and visit us at our next session? We look forward to welcoming you!

The dates for our summer 2014 sessions are:

May 12th, Half Term, June 9th, June 23rd, July 14th

If you would like any further information please contact:

Sonya Burrows Tel.01473-625196 or Jennie Fidler Tel.07584 420729

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

This month Session Leader Dawn will be exploring munching, crunching The Very Hungry Caterpillar (by Eric Carle) activities with our Rising 5 Preschoolers and all Preschool children will be focusing on the topic "All About Me" and making family trees. During May, After School Club Leader Amy will be making the best of the (hopefully) nice weather and continuing with outdoor activities for After School Club. The children will be enjoying trips to the playground and green, ball games, running races and obstacle courses.

Our littlest learners from our new baby room The Seedlings will also be busy exploring outdoor sounds, colours and textures in our garden. Manager Jo has lots of activities planned for planting and seeing how things grow and also sand and water play.

We are now taking bookings for our May Half Term Holiday Club (27th – 30th May 2014), where our Holiday Clubbers can enjoy outdoor activities, cooking, crafts and more!

The Saplings is open Monday – Friday, from 7.30am – 6pm for children ages 3 months -11 years. We offer a Baby Room (3 months – 2 years), Preschool (2 – 5 years), Breakfast Club, After School Club and Holiday Club sessions (2 – 11 years) and a 'Walking Bus' to Birchwood Primary School. For more information, please call our friendly team of dedicated and experienced staff on: 01473 614753, email: news@thesaplings.org.uk, or visit our website: thesaplings.org.uk

MARTLESHAM BRASS 'Making Music Fun In East Anglia'

Everyone will be very welcome at our Spring Concert on Saturday 10th May at St Michael's Church Centre Martlesham Heath starting at 7pm. Tickets £3.00 (primary school children free) from our website www.martleshambrass.co.uk or 2nd Stop Charity Shop (next to Kesgrave Tesco) or 07802 868924. All our bands from the Beginners to the Main Band will be performing. There will be a raffle and light refreshments available during the interval.

Looking forward into June, we will be holding our Band Summer Fayre on Saturday 14th, at St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath - more details next month, but put the date in your diary!

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

Liz Howard. e_m_howard@talk21.com, Registered Charity No.1100922.

Visit our website www.martleshambrass.co.uk

PORTAL WOODLANDS CONSERVATION GROUP

We hope you have been enjoying the springtime new growth, blossom and flowers in the wood, and making the most of the lovely weather we have been having recently. Please be aware that to help with the safety of all woodland users, walkers have the right of way over cyclists - so cyclists please be vigilant and take extra care when passing users on foot.

We are pleased to announce our new project to have a small classroom facility in the woods for Nature Watch Club and Nature Explorers. Amongst other benefits, this will prevent us from being at the whim of the weather! It's a fairly long term project and is subject to planning permission and funding, so if you can support this worthy cause in any way then please let us know.

In addition to our usual contact methods below, you can also come and talk to us to find out more about the Group by visiting us at our stand at Birchwood School's Summer Fete on 14th June.

Please book your place for Nature Watch Club and Nature Explorers by sending an email to naturewatch.pwcg@martlesham.org.uk

Dates for the diary:

Volunteer Work Morning Saturday 17th May 10:00am - Noon

Meet at the Education Area

(at the Control Tower end of the woods)

Nature Watch Club Saturday 31st May 9:00am - 11:00am

Meet at the Control Tower

Nature Explorers Saturday 17th May 9:00am - 11:00am

Meet at the Education Area

(at the Control Tower end of the woods)

Information and dates for 2014 Work Mornings, Nature Watch Club and Nature Explorers are available at <http://pwcg.onesuffolk.net/> For more information about PWCG and its activities or if you have any questions please email us at pwcg@martlesham.org.uk or phone Martlesham Parish Council on 01473 612632.

MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL (REGISTERED CHARITY NO 273769)

We are holding an "Autumn Fair" previously called "Table Top" sale in St Michael's Church Centre on the 25th October 2014, if anyone would like to book a table please contact Jackie Bear on the above number for further information

Martlesham Community Council (MCC) are always looking for people interested in becoming a member of MCC. The aim of the Council is to try and provide recreational amenities, etc., for the residents of the parish of Martlesham, We are also always looking for anyone who can help either by helping at Fundraising events or in any other way. We meet once a month in the Parish room on the 2nd Monday of each month.

For further information please contact The Secretary Jackie Bear on 01473-623007 or the Chairman David Ely on 01473-630362 MCC SCRIBE

MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

(REGISTERED CHARITY UNDER THE 1960 ACT NO 273769)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ON

MONDAY 12th MAY 2014

@

7.30PM

IN THE PARISH ROOM,

FELIXSTOWE ROAD

MARTLESHAM

COME AND HEAR ABOUT OUR LATEST PROJECT

E.G.- PROVIDING A PETANQUE PISTE,

WORKING WITH THE RECREATION GROUND WORKING GROUP

East Anglia THREE Consultation Events

In September 2013 East Anglia THREE Limited (a subsidiary of East Anglia Offshore Wind Limited and 50/50 joint venture between ScottishPower Renewables and Vattenfall) published a Statement of Community Consultation, outlining how we would consult with local communities and businesses throughout our development of the proposed East Anglia THREE Offshore Windfarm.

We will shortly be publishing the Preliminary Environmental Information Report, presenting further detail on our proposal.

In June we will be hosting consultation drop-in events, in line with Section 42 and Section 47 of the Planning Act 2008, giving you the opportunity to meet the project team, review the Preliminary Environmental Information Report and ask any questions you may have. We welcome everyone to attend.

- 16th June, Woodbridge Library, New Street, Woodbridge, IP12 1DT
- 17th June (am), Endeavour House, 8 Russell Road, Ipswich, IP1 2BX
- 17th June (from 2pm), Bawdsey Village Hall, IP12 3AH
- 18th June, Burstall Village Hall, Burstall, IP8 3DR

Further information about the project, the Preliminary Environmental Information Report and our Statement of Community Consultation is available on

www.eastanglawind.com

For more information please email

eastanglathree@eastanglawind.com

MARTLESHAM.W.I.

Often described as the "Jewel in the Crown" of the W.I., Denman College is the W.I.'s own residential education college in a graceful Georgian mansion set in 17 acres of beautiful grounds near Oxford. Over the years it has been modernised to a high degree, with bedrooms now all single and en suite and with new purpose built classrooms in the grounds. As far as Suffolk East W.I. members are concerned, the only problem is the cross country journey. So every couple of years the County Federation takes over the college for a long weekend and runs a coach so the journey is seamless, and members can choose from a variety of courses. This year three of our members are taking advantage of this – Barbara is doing digital photography and Audrey and Anne are doing something excitingly called "Spring Getaway". This involves walks in the lovely Oxfordshire countryside, a tour of one of the colleges, exercise and relaxation, line/country dancing and shoulder massage. At our May meeting we are looking forward to hearing about their experiences. So a good time for prospective members to find out more about the wider aspects of the W.I. in a relaxed meeting with plenty of social time. You will receive a warm welcome at our friendly group. That's on May 16th at 7.30 in the Richards Room. More info from Anne Bennett 01394380110.

Susan Cunliffe

YOUR LOCAL COUNTRY MARKET

The market has been going now for over 12 years, and we have seen many changes – new customers, and the disappearance for one reason or another of regulars, Market Managers, new Producers, new and different lines have come and gone. We have survived bad times, and enjoyed good times.

WHAT for the future – we need new cooks to meet the present demand from customers – ladies or gents capable of producing good quality home cooked items as well as inspirational goodies to tempt our customers. If you fall into this category, and would like to earn a little pocket money contact Margaret on 01473 623849.

We hold two weekly markets – Saturday 9.30 to 11.30 at Kesgrave Scout H/Q Twelve Acre Approach Kesgrave, and on a Tuesday at the Pavilion The Square, Martlesham Heath between 9.30am and 11.15. Light refreshments at both venues.

KESGRAVE LIBRARY NEWS

Sunday Crafts (10 – 12 noon) –

Activities are free. Parents must stay with under eights. There's no need to book – just turn up and have a go.

BookStart – every Thursday

These are free activities for pre-school children and their parents or carers

Tot Rock - 9.45am – 10.15 am., BabyBounce - 10.30am – 11.00am.

Book Groups 2.30 – 3.30pm. Or 7-8pm. Both groups are reading The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce. The next meetings are on Wednesday 28th May.

Kesgrave Library Community Group's Baking Club – Saturday 24th May 10 am – 1 pm. The 'Baking Club' is holding a cake sale at Kesgrave Library, to support Suffolk Family Carers.

Maggie Lusher Tel: 01473 626103 www.suffolklibraries.co.uk

WOODBIDGE FARMER'S MARKETS will be on the 10th. and 24th. May in the Woodbridge Community Hall Station Road, Woodbridge, from 9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

What a fantastic time of the year, here we go with the summer fruits and salad vegetables. Look out for the cooked meats go with those salads and plenty of items for the good old Barbecue. Together with all the trimmings for that late Spring / early Summer party. REMEMBER there is no entry charge to come to the Market

KESGRAVE MARKET – SATURDAY, 17TH MAY

We have a busy Market this month! As well as the usual fantastic local produce available, eg. meat, fish, fruit & veg, bakery products and free range eggs, Steff and Nonsense will be returning to offer FREE entertainment for the children with a fantastic bubble show (weather permitting) and/or balloon modelling – and our thanks again go to Spark for funding this.

The Charity stall for May will be Martlesham Baby and Toddler Group, who will be raising funds with a lucky dip and other lovely treats for the children.

www.facebook.com/kesgravemarket or www.kesgravemarket.org.uk.

MARTLESHAM HISTORY SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Martlesham History Society will be on Monday 16th June 2014

The Amazing Story of Rev. John Heigham Steggall, the Suffolk Gipsy ~ Pip Wright

Around 1800, son of a parson, he ran away and lived with the gipsies. In his remarkable life, he was a surgeon, sailor, soldier and parish priest at Great Ashfield.

An amazing story spanning 90 years, why not come along and find out more!

Meetings are held at Pavilion, Martlesham Heath, Ipswich, IP5 and commence at 7.30 pm.

(Please note new start time of the meeting). Admission fee is £2.50 and meetings are open to all.

MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB

May promises to be a busy and interesting month when we will have three speakers coming to talk on a variety of subjects

On 1st May Brian Dyes will give a talk entitled The Wheels of Ipswich, on 15th May Jennifer Jones will speak about the life of Elizabeth Garrett Anderson and on 29th May Professor John Midwinter will tell us the Truth About Climate Change.

Our programme of summer outings also gets under way this month.

All ladies are very welcome to come to any of these meetings which are held on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm in the Richards Room.

MOTHERS UNION MEETINGS.

Wednesday May 7th at 2.30pm

Speaker: Sheila Hill with dog Quartzie.

Subject: "Dogs for the Deaf"

Wednesday June 5th at 2.30pm.

Speaker: Debbie Boother. a Mothers Union member.

Subject: The Role of a Volunteer at the Olympics.

Both meetings in St Michael's and All Angels Church.

Other dates in the future.

Tuesday May 27th at 2.15pm Deanery Festival at All Saint's Church Kesgrave.

Thursday May 15th Members afternoon outing to Helmingham Hall Gardens and a Cream tea

MARTLESHAM IN BLOOM SUMMER COMPETITIONS 2014

For Martlesham Parishioners & Businesses to enter

(A) Most Attractive Summer Front Garden.

The Martlesham in Bloom Cup.

(B) Most effective use of hanging basket(s) and/or container(s) In the front of your property

The Meadhome Cup (Home Meadows Nursery Ltd).

(C) Best Summer Floral or Planting Display at a non-residential premises, this could include for example schools, industrial units and other businesses.

The Martlesham in Bloom Commercial Cup.

(D) Your Back Garden

The Martlesham in Bloom Shield.

The Martlesham in Bloom Committee may also give an award to the best New Entry in any class.

The competitions will be judged by Martlesham in Bloom committee members by early August. Martlesham in Bloom reserves the right to photograph all entries for Martlesham in Bloom purposes.

For (D) and schools entering (C) the date and time of judging to be arranged with the entrant.

Entries for (A) and/or (B) must be able to be viewed from the road or other publicly accessed area.

Closing date for entries is Monday 7th July 2014. (Entry Free)

If you would like a competition entry form or details of any other Martlesham in Bloom activity please contact

J Maureen Burrows (Secretary) on 01473 625196.

FATHER OF THE BRIDE AT SPEAK EASY AT MARTLESHAM

Why do members join Speak Easy? One member shares why: Steve asked if he could have a quiet word with me, "I would like to ask Elizabeth to marry me, would you be ok with that?" "Yes I'm delighted". My daughter had been with Steve for a couple of years and I had secretly hoped they would tie the knot eventually, so I was thrilled. Then it dawned on me what this would mean, I would have to deliver a speech to a large gathering of friends and relatives, all, no doubt, expecting something profound and entertaining. I felt queasy at the thought of it.

What should I do. All my life I had avoided situations where I was expected to stand up and deliver a speech. I felt it was beyond me, it terrified me, I would let my daughter down on her big day. NO! There is another way. I must face up to the situation, do something about it, don't hide! I decided to join a speaking club. I went through the listings on the Internet and picked out a club, Speak Easy at Martlesham, it sounded like it might offer the right sort of environment to help me. I had a bit of time, the wedding wasn't due for another 12 months.

Walking into the club for the first time was a bit daunting, however the members were so friendly, welcoming and understanding I felt that I had made a good choice. Over the next few weeks I worked hard at getting to grips with the task ahead of me, I listened to the advice of my fellow club members and studied my manual, before long I was standing in front of the club giving my first speech. It seemed like a long time that 7 min, afterwards I received a detailed and helpful evaluation which highlighted the areas to work on. Everyone was so encouraging.

By the time the wedding day arrived I felt ready, my speech went down really well and most important of all my daughter was delighted. I have remained a member of Speak Easy, there still seems so much more to learn and it has given me a confidence that I thought I could never have.

Regular meetings of Speak Easy at Martlesham Speakers' Club are held fortnightly on alternate Thursdays in the Richards Room, Martlesham Community Hall, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham IP12 4PB (behind the Tesco superstore) directions can be found on our web site www.speak-easy.org.uk. Meetings are 7.00 pm for a

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GIRLGUIDING MARTLESHAM

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

For general enquiries about Guiding in Martlesham, please contact Jo Dixon (Martlesham District Contact) 01473 622160

1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUTS

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

7.15 pm start and finish at 9.30pm. Guests are always welcome at any of our meetings, just turn up and enjoy the evening.

Future Speak Easy at Martlesham Speakers' Club meetings in 2014:

May 8th

May 22nd

June 5th

June 19th

July 3rd

July 17th

Further details about Speak Easy can be found at www.speak-easy.org.uk <https://twitter.com/SpeakEasyMart> and <https://www.facebook.com/SpeakEasyMartlesham> Or call Bob Booker Tel.07968372563

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Miniature Home Invading Armies

While ants may only be the tiniest of creatures, they can be a major pest.

Why are ants a problem in homes?

Foraging ants will leave a trail of pheromones to guide other ants in their colony to a food source. These ants follow the path, adding yet more scent to the trail, so very quickly you may have hundreds of ants converging on the food source in your home.

Why are they a problem in gardens?

Large colonies can prevent you sitting out and enjoying your garden.

Tunnels of ants in pot plants can cause plants to wilt.

Lawns can be spoilt by earth left outside nest entrances

Paving slabs can be destabilised when ants remove the sand.

Can you tackle an ant problem yourself?

It is possible to buy pellets and sprays over-the-counter. DIY methods include adhesive on window sills or using lemon juice, cinnamon or chalk to deter ants. None compare with professional pest control. The best deterrent is keeping surfaces clean so that ants are not attracted to your premises.

There is lots more information about problem wasps on our website

www.eandspestsolutions.co.uk or if you prefer to speak to a human, please feel free to contact us for further advice or assistance on 01473 328092 or 07979 301334.

By: Mandie Collinson - Essex & Suffolk Pest Solutions Ltd

THE ROGER DAVID BURROWS MUSIC FUND

The illustrated talk by Thomas Baker on his 'Indian Odyssey' was very interesting and thoroughly enjoyed by the many people who attended from all around the area. Thomas took us on his voyage of several weeks as a passenger on a container ship through the Mediterranean Sea, Suez Canal, Red Sea and across the Indian Ocean to Mumbai. Then by train to Hoshangabad in the centre of India where his great-grandfather was a missionary in the late 19th century. He showed us pictures of some of the mission buildings that still remain and other photographs of the area as it was when he visited.

Thank you to all who supported the event.

Further information about the Music Fund can be found on the website:

www.rogerdavidburrows.co.uk or from The Roger David Burrows Music Fund, c/o The Burrows Family, Tel. 01473 625196

MARTLESHAM & DISTRICT FLOWER CLUB

This month our 'hands-on' meeting was with Mrs Peggy Albertini. Members and visitors arrived with the necessary foliage and flowers and watched while Peggy showed us how to create a spring basket arrangement. With great enthusiasm we then put her instructions into practice and were able to make our own arrangements which, as usual, were all very different. The room was full of colour at the end of the session and after a welcoming cup of tea it was agreed that the whole afternoon had been very successful and enjoyable.

The Club meets at St. Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath on the third Wednesday of each month at 2.30pm. The annual subscription is £20 with visitors welcome at £4 per session. There is a plant and flower arrangers stall at each meeting.

The next meeting will be May 21 when Mrs Penny Stone will demonstrate 'Thanks for the Memory'. The competition is 'Pretty as a Picture (in a frame)'.

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.

Margaret Doveston 01473 624422

MARTLESHAM CARPET BOWLS

Firstly, sad to say, we did not progress any further in the Chairman's Plate Competition.. We were drawn against Barrow and though there were some tightly contested games they were too strong for us.

The Annual Dinner was held at the end of March and once again Alnesbourne Priory did us proud. Our thanks to Maureen and Oscar Banthorp for a splendid evening. A spectacular raffle and diabolical quiz rounded off the evening. I think often people do not appreciate just how much work goes on behind the scenes. Sadly, Maureen was unable to join us as she was fighting the virus infection that has struck down so many folk since Christmas. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery, but Oscar ably carried the evening with a little help from a few members. The quiz was won by the table calling themselves "George's Babes" but it was a fairly closely run thing!

We ended up the Winter League in third position in Division 2, so no promotion for us this year but we will be joined next September by Chelmondiston and Bealings from Division 1 and Stratford St Mary and Rivers from Division 3 so it will be nice to see some different faces next winter.

Can I remind all members that our AGM will be held on May 6th at 2pm. The meeting will be followed by our usual Tuesday afternoon roll up.

PATCHWORK AND QUILTING CLASSES

With the lighter evenings and warmer weather approaching we all feel like coming out of hibernation and learning something new and different. I will be starting another set of classes for people to learn the basics of patchwork and quilting, and to make a small colourful quilt which can be used in the summer for a picnic blanket.

For each class you will need to bring your own sewing machine and a packed lunch. I will provide all the material needed for the first class so you can just come along and have a go. The classes have a maximum size of 5 so it is usually a fun day with no pressure. There is the opportunity to borrow a machine if required.

Please contact me, Gillian Strange for further details, no obligation

Tel: 07708258765 Email: gillian_strange@talk21.com

MARTLESHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Black Tiles lane

"The Shameful Cross"

I write this article as we are approaching Easter and thinking about the Cross on which Christ died.

Did you know that the Bible itself denigrates the Cross? - It is called foolish, nonsense, an offence, a curse, a sign of God's weakness, despised by the world, an open shame.

In a sense it is a symbol of defeat and failure - Physically, Politically and Spiritually.

Physically - Christ showed no sign of strength and power.- Where was that 'macho' man who stilled the tempest, raised the dead, changed water into wine and healed the lame?

Politically - He was condemned by the romans and convicted by a corrupt judge, offered no resistance and was led like a lamb to the slaughter!

Spiritually - The scribes and Pharisees overcome Jesus via a illegal trial, by using false witnesses and bribing the crowd to press for his crucifixion!

Behind all this seeming weakness and defeat, we know that Christ was becoming a willing Sacrifice for sin - being a substitute for us that we might know forgiveness, cleansing and peace with God. It is not surprising that God saluted Him in resurrection by raising Him from the dead and giving Him Glory (1 Peter Ch 1).

ACTIVITIES DURING MAY

SUNDAYS

Worship and Communion - 10.00 a.m.

TUESDAY CIRCLE - May 13th

(Audrey Catto re South Africa)

WEDNESDAY

Home Group - 7.00 p.m.

THURSDAYS

Mums and Toddlers - 10.00 a.m.

FRIDAYS

Friends on Friday - 10.00 a.m.

(For further information contact John or Ruth Mellen - 01473 805989)

HOLIDAY AT HOME

- **What is it?** A week of holiday activities where you go home to sleep in your own bed.
- **When?** Monday 16th – Sunday 22nd June 2014.
- **Who for?** Everyone over the age of 55 (but we won't be checking birth certificates!)
- **I haven't got anyone to come with.** No problem – come by yourself, there will be plenty of others who don't come with someone.
- **Who is organising it?** The churches in Martlesham.
- **But I don't go to church.** Everyone is invited!
- **What's the programme?** The week includes a boat trip on the Deben, coach trip to Aldeburgh via the Longshop Museum, a talk on buried treasure in East Anglia, a singalong with lunch, Beetle drive with a difference, walk and pub lunch and lots of tea and cake. Grand finale of Songs of Praise and strawberry tea.
- **Can I come some days or must I come all week?** Come for as many or as few days as you wish.
- **Where can I get a brochure and booking form?** From the foyer at St Michael's on Martlesham Heath, from St Mary's on Church Lane in Old Martlesham, from Martlesham Christian Fellowship – or by asking a member of any of the churches to get a brochure for you.
- **How much?** The whole week costs £45 with the cost of some days just £3.
- **Can I just turn up on the day?** Sorry but to help with catering and because spaces are limited on some days it is necessary to book your place.
- **It sounds fine but I've got more questions...** the names and contact details of the Planning Group are on the booking form. They will be pleased to help in any way they can.
- **One more thing, why are you organising a Holiday at Home?** When we first started running it, several years ago, we had in mind two groups of people – those who for whatever reason are not able to get away on holiday and those who would like the opportunity to spend a relaxing week doing holiday type things with local people of a similar age. We found that in a completely natural way new friendships were made which often last long beyond the Holiday at Home week.

BRIGHTWELL CHURCH

After the departure from the usual Service pattern in April we will be back to having Holy Communion on the first Sunday, May 4th and third Sunday, May 18th at 8.00am.

Evening Services will be held on the second and fourth Sundays, May 13th and 27th at 6.30pm but will be a bit different as we are trying a change to Evening Prayer using the Common Worship Service rather than our traditional Book of Common Prayer Evensong.. This is an experiment to see how our congregation feels about this type of service as well as an opportunity for anyone who does not usually attend evensong to try this newer version of worship. Please do not feel that the world as we know it at Brightwell is coming to an end as the welcome and refreshments will be the same as ever!

Meanwhile Men in Sheds continue to meet on 2nd and fourth Thursdays with the benefit of a fifth meeting this month- May 8th, 22nd and 29th. We are making some progress with our photo/video project and last month saw the first take on the seat by the Church Hall. The director, now hairless, had overlooked the inability of old men to learn lines and to concentrate for more than two minutes, however, after about six takes the first episode was "in the can." And all this in the shadow of the home of the best cameraman in Suffolk!

If you would like any further information about Brightwell Church Please contact- Geoff Lambert 01473624130 brightwellchurch@btinternet.com

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THE CHURCH IN MARPLESHAM & BRIGHTWELL

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Services for the Month	Martlesham Heath	Martlesham	Brightwell
	St Michael's	St Mary's	St John's
Sunday 4th May	9.45am All Age Service	11am Holy Communion (Prayer Book)	8am Holy Communion
Sunday 11th May	9.45am Holy Communion with Junior Church	11am Morning Worship	6.30pm Evening Prayer
Sunday 18th May	9am Breakfast@9	11am Holy Communion	8am Holy Communion
Sunday 25th May	9.45am Holy Communion with Junior Church	11am Morning Prayer	6.30pm Evening Prayer
Sunday 1st June	9.45am All Age Service	11am Holy Communion (Prayer Book)	6.30 Holy Communion

Midweek Services

Holy Communion each Wednesday at 10 am in St. Michael's, except that the service for Wednesday 28 May will be moved to Thursday 29th May—Ascension Day

A warm welcome awaits you at all our services

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

May	
5	pray for the safety of all road users
6	pray for pupils and staff returning to school
7	pray for the residents of School Lane
8	pray for the Dogs for the Deaf organisation
9	pray for Open the Book groups
10	pray for the elderly
11	thank God for the beauty of springtime
12	pray for the people of North Korea
13	pray for the bereaved
14	pray for the residents of Shaw Valley Road
15	pray for victims of bullying
16	pray for students preparing for exams
17	pray for all members of the Armed Forces
18	thank God for godparents/godchildren
19	pray for the work of the RSPCA
20	pray for parents who are concerned for their children
	21 for the residents of Side Centre Gate
	22 pray for prisoners on Death Row
	23 pray for primary schoolchildren & staff
	24 pray for those suffering from depression
	25 pray for the work of the Children's Society
	26 give thanks for happy holidays
	27 pray for our doctors' surgeries
	28 pray for the residents of Sorrell Walk
	29 pray for all expectant mothers
	30 give thanks for music in all its forms
	31 pray that we resolve disagreements with one another
	June
	1 thank God that nothing we do makes Him love us less
	2 pray for those who are to be married
	3 pray for all the emergency services
	4 pray for the residents of St Gotthard Avenue