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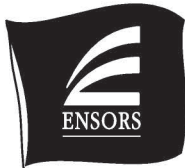
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THIS MONTH'S PHOTOGRAPH . The Annual Armistice Day Remembrance service will be held on the Barrack Square near the BT building on Sunday 10th November at 3pm.

This is the site of the memorial commemorating the story of the British, Commonwealth and Dominions and the memorial to the 356th Fighter Group. There is a third memorial. Martlesham Heath Aviation Society raised the funds for the purchase and erection of this monument. The memorial contains two crests side by side. The crest for the Aeroplane and Armament Experimental Establishment and a second crest for Royal Air Force Martlesham Heath.

The Aviation Society are looking forward to seeing a good turn-out for this important occasion, and everyone is welcome to attend.

1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUTS

For all enquiries regarding joining the groups please contact

Timandra Howell
martleshamscouts.thowell@yahoo.com.

Becoming a helper or hiring of the Scout HQ please contact Rachel Pennick
01473 610437

GIRLGUIDING MARTLESHAM

Currently we have

1 Rainbow Unit (ages 5-7), 3 Brownie Packs (ages 7-10), 2 Guide Companies (ages 10-14) & 1 Ranger Unit (ages 14-18) meeting around the Parish.

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MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

One More Councillor Still Needed!

We are still looking for another candidate to reach a full Council of 15 members. As a councillor representing your community you will help keep it a great place to live and work. You will be supported in your role; training is available and funded by the Council. Contact the Clerk for more information or just come along to a meeting – details are below.

Martlesham Trim Trail

We are excited to announce that, at the time of writing, 10 pieces of equipment are being installed in 7 locations around Martlesham Heath & Martlesham Common, to be ready for use in November. This has been a joint venture between the Parish Council & MHHL, funded and supported by East Suffolk Council. A leaflet is enclosed with this edition of the Martlesham Monthly giving you all the details – please keep it safe, use it and enjoy your new facility! Leaflets are also available from the Council office. As part of this project you will also see some improvements to footpaths.

New Council Facebook page

Please take a look at our new Facebook page “ @Martlesham Parish” or by searching <https://www.facebook.com/MartleshamParish> or follow the link on the footer of our website <https://martlesham.onesuffolk.net/>

We are trying it out as another way to engage with the Parish - to seek your views, to share with you what we are working on and to get information out to you quickly.

This method of engagement will complement, and not replace, our regular

Martlesham Monthly news items and updates, our website pages and noticeboard information.

Climate Emergency

Last month the Council declared a Climate Emergency. The Council aims to protect and promote the natural environment, lobby that developments are sustainable while reducing environmental damage, and seek to make our own operations carbon neutral. We are seeking your help to make sure we are all doing our own bit to preserve our common home for future generations. Please give us your practical suggestions on how we can combat climate change. We will be putting together a list of ideas, some of these may be low cost but others might need to be included as part of our budget for 2020/21. See the different ways you can contact us below.

Fly-tipping

Sadly, we are receiving increased reports of fly-tipping. Fly-tipping does not only include household rubbish/waste; it is also an offence to dump garden waste. Illegal waste disposal can be hazardous to the public, especially if it contains toxic material, it risks damage to watercourses and soil quality. Please report fly-tipping to East Suffolk Council: <https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/waste/fly-tipping/how-to-report-fly-tipping/> or telephone 0333 016 2000.

Fly-tipping is a serious criminal offence for which you can be prosecuted. The courts have various powers available to them to tackle fly-tipping, including imprisonment, substantial fines of up to £50,000, orders

to pay costs and an order to deprive rights to a vehicle used to commit the offence.

We are fortunate to live near the Foxhall Household Waste Recycling Centre where household waste can be taken for recycling or disposal. We live in a very pleasant parish – please help to keep it that way.

Overhanging branches

It's that time of year again when we ask you to make sure that your shrubs or trees are not obstructing footways. However please dispose of the cuttings responsibly!

Forthcoming meetings:

Parish Council – Wednesday 06 November 2019

Recreation & Amenities Committee – Wednesday 13 November 2019

NO FULL COUNCIL MEETING IN DECEMBER

Finance & General Purposes Committee – Wednesday 04 December 2019

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 a public forum.

Contacting the Council

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

Telephone: 01473 612632

e-mail: clerk@martleshamcouncil.org.uk

website: <http://martlesham.onesuffolk.net> and

facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MartleshamParish> for latest news & events

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

Martlesham Parish Council

Cuts to Martlesham bus services

Our bus services were severely cut on 01 September 2019. You have let us know about the difficulties you have faced as a result of this.

In October we met with representatives of First Bus and Suffolk County Council (SCC). They listened to our issues and told us about their constraints. It was agreed that proper consultation and a holistic approach to public transport is needed. We are also working in partnership with neighbouring parishes, which have been adversely affected and ongoing

pressure will be brought to bear to keep the improvement of our bus services as a priority.

We are pressing for old timetables to be removed from bus stops, which are causing confusion. SCC has withdrawn its funding from providing timetables & are asking customers to look on-line or download an app. This doesn't suit everyone. First indicated that they might provide the timetables instead.

Current timetables are available on <https://www.suffolkonboard.com/>.

The 66 bus no longer travels around Eagle Way, from the BT stop it heads back up the A12. The 66A includes Eagle Way but please

be aware that it bypasses the Tesco stop, so unfortunately you now need to walk to the stop outside the Mercedes garage to return to the Martlesham Heath village with your shopping. The 66A only runs approx. hourly during the day; there is no evening or Sunday service.

The 64 & 800 buses do not travel through old Martlesham anymore. The 63 & 65 still stop outside Home Meadows Nursery, at the Water Bridge and Crown Point, making their way down Felixstowe Road to Tesco. Please be aware that this is not clear on the timetables as they show timing points at Tesco and the Duke of York pub.

CHRIS BLUNDELL'S DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT NOVEMBER 2019

New Business Developments.

For many years Lowestoft has struggled to develop a strong Business Community. East Suffolk Council has begun the process of rejuvenating the Lowestoft area with the introduction of a new superfast network of broadband connections. The network will, I understand, include some of the outlying townships in the northern part of the district. This has become possible because of additional financial help from mainly government sources. Parts of the Martlesham and Purdis Farm District Council Ward unfortunately suffer from very poor broadband support so I continue to press for this situation to be improved especially since the ward is about to see a significant growth in business activity particularly along the A14 corridor.

The East Suffolk Partnership Scheme.

By the time you read this the first practical workshop involving town and parish councils, charity organisations and other interested parties will have met for the first meeting to identify areas and/or activities that will have the greatest beneficial effect on improving the "well-being" of a community. You will recall from my last report that the local area we will be considering includes Kesgrave, Rushmere St Andrews, Carlford & Fynn Valley and Martlesham & Purdis Farm (i.e. four adjacent wards).


In the current year to March 2020 there will be available an additional £10,000 to spend on creating improvements and a further £25,000 to spend in each of the following three years. You will no doubt be pleased to learn that I shall be part of the guiding group in seeing this new scheme through to success.

Martlesham Retail Park.

I have received some emails about inconsiderate parking on the Martlesham Retail Roads. A plan is in place to introduce many double yellow lines particularly around corners of the roads. The plan that was agreed last year with Suffolk County Council requires the approval of Central Government who wrote to the district council some time ago saying that they did not have time to devote to the issue while tied down with Brexit negotiations. So, the implementation of the lines is still waiting for government approval.

If you would like more information on any of the above items, or any other matter for which the District Council has responsibility I can be contacted by email on chris.blundell@eastssuffolk.gov.uk or by phone 01473 622716 or mobile 07768 213251.

Martlesham Heath Pavilion Management Committee
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AGM

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The New Trim Trail

The equipment for the Martlesham Trim Trail, by the time of publication, should have now been installed and approved as safe to use through an independent post-installation inspection. All households in Martlesham Heath and Mill Heath will receive a leaflet in early November as to the location of the

equipment and the suggested route that links it together. The trim trail will only be publicised by Martlesham Parish Council and Martlesham Heath Householders Ltd on both the main websites and Facebook pages as it is primarily intended for use by local residents only. We hope that you will make use of, keep fit and enjoy!

Martlesham Heath 5K and 10K Road Race

The 5k, and 10K Martlesham Heath Road Race took place on the 6th October. I am pleased to report that the mitigations (mostly around numbers and parking) we discussed with the organisers before agreeing to the use of the Village Green seem to have worked well. I also observed more consideration towards maintaining residents' road access.

This year we had a Martlesham Heath residents' allocation of 50 places, however at most 30 were taken up so the percentage of MHHL residents running was very small. As always, we would like to hear the views of our members with regards to this event, both good and bad, so we can have a true view of our members feelings.

The Fire

Although the fire that occurred recently was not on MHHL land, it was on fields very close to the back of properties on Heathfield. The response of the fire services was very quick and highly professional. Please note that you may find the MHHL Facebook page very useful when incidents as above occur.

Miscellaneous

Please note that changes to boundary fences, building alterations etc are dealt with by Graingers Ltd. The address and telephone details can be found under the "Contacts Tab" on the MHHL website.

Please DO NOT DUMP WASTE on the North Green or any other MHHL land. This is illegal and results in Maintenance Charge funds being used to clear it up.

Now that the bird nesting season has stopped, extensive maintenance on the "Greens" will now commence.

As we head into the winter months, if there are any issues that you feel that need attention please do not hesitate to contact MHHL by leaving a voicemail on 01473 612207 or by email to mhh@martlesham.org.uk or by post to MHHL, PO Box 897, Martlesham Heath, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 9PB.



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After a pumpkin was discovered growing in the kitchen garden, we have been inspired by it. We opened it up to look inside, scooped out the seeds, looked at other kinds of pumpkins and used red and yellow to colour mix to make orange. Hedgehogs have collaged pumpkins, painted on the pumpkin, made paper models of pumpkins, we even heard a story about pumpkin soup and yes we made some of our very own! We are curious about the world we live in.

We have been cooking each week and going out on adventures into the school ground discovering the delights it has to offer, including finding a young horse chestnut tree with conkers!

If you would like to come and visit and see us in action, please contact the School Office on 01473 623790 and you will be warmly welcomed!

Mrs. T. Haig Nursery Lead Teacher

Hedgehog Nursery is open from 0830-1515 Monday to Friday for 3 and 4 year olds; in addition, we offer wrap-around care from 0730-1800 every week day. If you would like more information, please visit www.gorseland.net or contact the School Office on 01473 623790



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You are welcome to come along to any of our mornings, just turn up, no need to let us know in advance. We look forward to seeing you this autumn!

The Autumn Term 2019 session dates:

November 11th November 25th December 9th

If you would like one of our Bright Stars leaflets with the session dates on it give us a ring on the number below and we will be happy to send it to you.

If you would like further information please contact: Sonya & Maureen Burrows
Tel.01473 625196

1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUT POST 2019

I can't believe that the 2019 Scout post is almost upon us. As usual there will be post boxes throughout the village though, at time of writing, I cannot confirm where these will be so watch out for the magazine in December which will have all the details.

The boxes go out on **25TH NOVEMBER** and the closing date is **10th DECEMBER**.

For the 1st time in a number of years the price has changed and is now 30p per card. As last year please put your money in a separate envelope within your card pack and could I ask that you include your contact details in case I need to return any cards to you that I cannot send.

The delivery area is Ip1-Ip5 including Kesgrave and Martlesham village.

I can also take cards for the following locations: Bramford, Claydon, Barham, Great and little Blakenham, Henley, Tuddenham, Westerfield, Sproughton, Grundisburgh, Playford, Culpho, Great and Little Bealings, Felixstowe, Trimley St Mary and Trimley St Martin and Kirton.

Thanks in advance for your support as all the money raised is kept and used by the scout groups involved. Simon Smith Martlesham Scout post 01473 612410



Martlesham Heath Baby and Toddler Group are having a

QUIZ NIGHT

on Saturday 23rd November at the Martlesham Heath Pavilion starting at 7.30.

Tickets are £5 per person and we will also be holding a raffle on the evening. Attendees may bring their own drinks.

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These are being held on: Tuesday 5th November from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday 7th January from 9.30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

This is an opportunity to meet our Headteacher, Mr. Jackson, and the Reception team, as well as have a tour of the school with our Year 6 pupils.

Please contact the School Office on 01473 623790 or email office@gorseland.net to confirm the date you would like to visit us.

MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP

Unfortunately in October things did not go according to plan and we were forced to cancel our work party owing to the very wet weather that persisted all day. Hopefully we will have caught up a bit by the time this article comes out by holding a few smaller ad hoc work parties. We plan to begin again our autumn and winter cycle of scrub clearance on the heath by cutting out small trees and gorse from an area of heather in the south west part of the Martlesham Heath SSSI on our work party in November, which will take place on Sunday November 3rd at 10:00 am. Please join us there or meet on the bank that runs east-west. There will be more work through the winter at our monthly work parties that will also be complemented by the professional work undertaken on behalf of Martlesham Heath SSSI Ltd. Why not consider coming along to one of our work parties in order to manage this special landscape (the rarest kind in Europe) and its wildlife? These usually take place on the morning of the first Sunday of the month.

Over the last year we undertook various surveys including birds in the woodland, and butterflies on the heath. The Silver Studded Blue butterflies were much down in numbers in comparison to last year and the recent fire on the SSSI is likely to make matters worse. Please come and join us for our AGM on Friday November 22nd at 7:45pm in the Parish Room on Old Felixstowe Road when we will discuss the results of our surveys in more detail as well as other aspects of our local wildlife.

Looking ahead we may get colder weather through the winter, please try leaving some piles of twigs and other organic material out in your gardens as a refuge for wildlife including small mammals such as hedgehogs. But please do not disturb these piles until we are well into the warmer weather of spring. Also look out for winter migrant birds on our heaths, woodlands and gardens. In previous years these included Stonechat and Dartford Warbler and visitors from further afield such as Redwings that seem to like the shelter and food resource amongst the sparse trees and heather of the heath whilst also using the puddles formed after winter rain to take a drink.

If you are interested in the activities of the group or have any interesting wildlife observations please contact us.

Phil Smith 01473 625630

PORTAL WOODLANDS CONSERVATION GROUP



In September, we were joined by members of the Martlesham Heath Aviation Society (MHAS) for clearing the areas around the fuel dumps. These 4 buried 12,000 gallon tanks are some of the relics from the woodland's past as part of Martlesham Heath Airfield. We also made a start on clearing potentially hazardous tree branches from overhanging the paths; rotten boughs can fall in high winds and block paths so we try to tackle them before they become a hazard or inconvenience.

If you have any personal or handed-down ghostly and other supernatural stories that are local to the area, then we would love to hear from you – a timely activity around Halloween!

Finally, a reminder to consider hedgehogs around Guy Fawkes Night – please check your bonfires carefully and move any 'hogs before lighting up.

Dates for the Diary

Volunteer Work Morning (all ages) Saturday 16th November, 10:00am – Noon.
Meet at the Education Area. Tools, training and light refreshments provided.
All welcome - no need to book.

Nature Explorers (11-18 year olds) Saturday 16th November, 9:00am – 11:00am.
Please book a place via our email below.

New volunteers of all ages and abilities are always welcome. No experience needed. For further information, please contact us at pwcg.martlesham@gmail.com, phone: 01473 612632 or visit our website: pwcg.onesuffolk.net or join our members' Facebook Group by messaging Duncan Sweeting.

George Pennick, Nature Explorer and Young Volunteer

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If you can commit to 1-2 hours per week, we'd love to hear from you & you'd make a real difference in the lives of young women in our local community.

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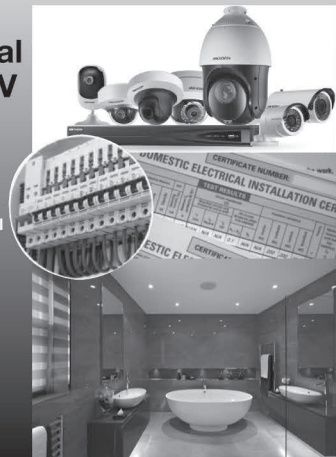


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We are looking for new members, and meet on Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 1.30 to 4 pm, and Tuesday evenings from 7.30 to 10 pm, at the Community Hall in Old Felixstowe Road, behind Tesco. In a session, costing £2 but free for the first visit, we usually play three rounds of friendly games, with a break for tea and biscuits after the second game. It doesn't matter if you have not played before, as you will find everybody is willing to show you the ropes. It is not physically challenging, and the club provides all the necessary equipment.

If you are interested just turn up about 15 minutes before the start time and somebody will explain what we do. Alternatively you can ring our Secretary, Ian Hunt, on 01473 611947, especially if you plan to come along on a Tuesday evening, as the Club enters a team in the Suffolk Carpet Bowls Association league, and home matches are on a Tuesday evening.

Vic Harrup

WOOLLY WONDERS

Through November, come rain or shine, you'll find us knitting and crocheting in The Runway Cafe (next to St Michael's opposite The Douglas Bader) better 10 & 12 every Thursday. We'd love to welcome more people of all skill levels and none.

We were given just over £70 in donations at the recent sale for McMillan support. Many thanks to those that came to that event.

We'll be taking part in the Christmas fayre on 24th of this month also at St Michael's

MARTLESHAM ART GROUP RETURNS TO THE GREEN

As from 4th October, we are holding our sessions in the Pavilion, Martlesham Heath every Friday except one per month, and would love to have your company.

If you have ever thought you would like to take up painting or drawing as a hobby and just needed some encouragement, then we could be just what you are looking for. There's no formal tuition (ie: cheap), though some of our members have been doing it for a bit, so are happy to share any experience they have picked up.

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November dates: 1/8/22/29th

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Our bands will be paying their respects on Remembrance Sunday November 10th at the Remembrance Day Parade in Woodbridge and at St Mary's Church, Martlesham in the morning and at Barrack Square, Martlesham Heath in the afternoon.

Looking forward into December, Coffee and Carols is at St Michael's Church Centre Martlesham Heath IP5 3SL on Saturday 14th between 10.00am and 12.00 noon.

This year's Christmas Concert is on Saturday 21st December at 7.00pm, also at St Michael's Church Centre Martlesham Heath.

There will be more details of both these events next month.

We would love to hear from 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 would like to come along and meet us, please email join@martleshambrass.co.uk or use the contact details below.

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The quiz will begin at 7.30pm.

The quiz fee is £5 per person and teams can have up to 6 players.

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Please email Teresa at ptfa@birchwood.suffolk.sch.uk to book a table and purchase tickets in advance of the event. Donations for the raffle welcome.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Many thanks to everyone who participated in any way, to make this year's MacMillan Coffee Morning at St Michael's church, such a great success. We sent £625 to the charity - an amazing total. It was great to see so many groups and individuals from the community taking part and enjoying working together for such a worthwhile charity.

MARTLESHAM HISTORY SOCIETY

Monday 25th November 2019

Cakes, Ale and Partying: Feasting and Fundraising in Medieval Suffolk
Kate Jewell

Don't miss our festive meeting, Kate's talk will trace some of the festivals which were important to medieval Suffolk communities, looking at how they celebrated them and discussing how one particular community used festivity to raise a huge amount of money in a time of need.

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MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB

We have two meetings planned for this month; and both will help us with our Christmas preparations.

On 7th November we can 'Paint a Pot for Christmas' with Wendy Carol, and on 21st November Anne Wilding will demonstrate Iris folding cards with a Christmas theme.

Looking ahead to December, on 5th December Tina from Home Instead Carers will explain how we can avoid all the varied Scams which are targeted at us.

All ladies are very welcome to join our friendly club. Meetings are held on alternate Thursday evenings at 7.15pm in the Richards Room.

To find out more contact Doreen Boar 01473 622768.

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

Our meeting on Friday 4th October was once again very well attended to hear an illustrated talk by Tony Buttler. Tony is an engineer but has written a book about the Concorde airliner and came a long distance to deliver his fascinating talk.

Books that were available sold very well after Tony gave an outline of some of the design ideas submitted before a final configuration was decided on.

Concorde was an ambitious Anglo-French venture. It was undoubtedly a boost to aviation design and innovation and that may have been its chief advantage. Designs and ideas were submitted by several British aircraft companies, including Bristol, Vickers Armstrong and De Havilland. This was in the 50's before the government rationalised the British aircraft industry, mainly combining leading companies in the name of the British Aircraft Corporation, (or BAC).

Unfortunately the Concorde was a financial failure and with the oil crisis of 1973, which saw the huge increase in fuel its future was bleak.

Eventually disaster struck when a French Concorde taking off from Paris struck a piece of metal which had fallen off another airliner. One of the tyres was punctured and a piece of rubber hit the rear of the fuselage with the force of a missile causing a fire and subsequent crash with the loss of all on board. The inquest on the cause of the fire concluded that the pilot had authorised considerably more fuel to be loaded than was necessary and that fuel was in the rear of the aircraft where the piece of the tyre hit the aircraft.

It will go down as a brave attempt to further aviation in the 20th century. A vote of thanks was given by our chairman, Martyn Cook.

Our meeting next month will be on Friday 1st November and the subject will be "Homeward Bound and the Legacy They Left Behind". The final days of the USAAF in Britain. The speaker will be Clive Stevens.

Meetings are held in the Community Hall, Felixstowe road, Martlesham 1p12 4pb and start at 7.30pm, with a tea/coffee break. Non-members are welcome for a payment of just £4 at the door.

Our annual Armistice Day Remembrance service will be held on the Barrack Square near the BT building on Sunday 10th November at 3pm. We look forward to seeing a good turn-out for this important occasion.

Our calendars (see advert) are available and can also be bought from Black Tiles Post Office.

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST

Many thanks to all those who joined us over the summer on our series of walks. It was great to enjoy our local wildlife in such splendid weather.

In November we have a Quiz Evening with wine and nibbles on Thursday 21st November at 7:30pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall. Everyone including teams and individuals are very welcome. Admission is £5.

On Thursday December 19th at 7.30pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall we have a presentation from Michael Strand from Suffolk Wildlife Trust HQ on the subject of "Creating Wildness, A New Approach to Conservation Management on Trust Nature Reserves". Michael will explain this significant new approach to conservation management featuring examples from Suffolk reserves such as the Black Bourn Valley.

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Interested in making a real impact on your community?

We are looking for a new dynamic Chair to lead our trustee board in setting the long-term strategic direction of the organisation. We want someone who is willing to share their skills and knowledge and, maybe learn something new, while making a real impact in the local community.

You will be:

- looking for a challenge
- an influencer with excellent communication skills
- experienced at chairing meetings in an inclusive way
- experienced in monitoring and managing budgets
- experienced in business planning and performance managing individuals and organisations
- committed to diversity, and the work of DAS in improving the lives of disabled people and removing barriers that disempower them.
- willing to accept the responsibilities of being a trustee
- flexible to meet the minimum time commitment and more, to respond to emerging developments such as serious complaints

This is a hands-on voluntary role, championing DAS and providing robust support and challenge to ensure we fulfil our charitable objects.

Minimum time commitment

- 7 full Trustee meetings and 7 planning meetings per year.
- Minimum of 12 manager supervision meetings per year.
- Minimum of 3 SDAS meetings per year.
- Funder and PR meetings and events as required.

We welcome applications from all sections of the community to enable us to have a diverse trustee board that reflects our clients and community. We particularly welcome applications from disabled people as we want our trustee board to reflect our service users.

Disability Advice Service (DAS) (East Suffolk) is a small charity based in Martlesham Heath providing advice and advocacy to disabled people in East Suffolk.

To apply for the role of Chair of the Trustees or for an informal discussion about the role please contact Isobel Abbott on 07565 389020 isobel.daisy@btinternet.com

Closing date 17th November 2019.

NEW HORIZONS

New Horizons, the club for active older people in the area, continues to grow and thrive.

We really do need extra volunteer leaders to help out with the occasional Monday and/or Thursday sessions. There are always two leaders present and you are well supported by other volunteers. Tasks would include taking the register, collecting the daily fees and generally over-seeing the day's activities.

Full training would be provided.

This month, the club is looking forward to two themed days: a 'war-time meal' with 40s costumes and a Thanksgiving day in addition to its usual activities.

We meet on Mondays and Thursdays (except Bank Holidays) from 10am -2.30pm in St Mary's Hall, Woodbridge. If you would like to join us, either as a member or a volunteer, please contact us by phoning 07514 364752 and speaking to one of our leaders.

Alternatively, you can email us at newhorizons912@gmail.com

A Festive Craft Fair in aid of St Elizabeth Hospice is being held in Woodbridge Community Hall on Friday 29 November.

There will be clothes, jewellery, skin care products and many other ideas for Christmas gifts. It will be open from 9 am to 3 pm and entry is free.

St Elizabeth Hospice has been serving the people of East Suffolk for 30 years and is continually expanding the care it offers. As well as in-house patient care and day care, it cares for patients in their own homes and, where needed, for patients residing in care homes.

The Hospice has a new initiative, Zest, which provides young adults from the age of 14 with progressive and terminal illnesses with specialist care tailored to their needs.

THE MOTHERS UNION.

The Mothers Union is meeting on
November 6th at 2.30pm

when Tina from Home Instead will be
telling us about avoiding Scams.

On December 4th our Christmas Party
for members and invited guests.

Both meetings take place in
St Michael's Church Centre

GOLDEN GIRLS

We are a group of ladies who live on their own and we meet for friendship and mutual support. Our coffee mornings are held on the second Thursday morning of each month at 11am. at St Michael's Church Centre. We frequently go out for lunch and shopping after the meeting and visit Theatres, Cinemas etc. Our next meeting is on Thursday 14th. November when we plan to go to the Douglas Bader for some lunch.

For more information contact Ann Price on
01473 620832

HEADWAY SUFFOLK DEMENTIA GROUP - MARTLESHAM

Brain injury charity Headway Suffolk runs a monthly social support group for people living with dementia in Martlesham. It takes place every fourth Thursday of the month at St Michael's Church Centre, The Drift in Martlesham from 11.45am – 3.15pm. The person with dementia must be accompanied by a carer.

The group partake in a variety of stimulating and engaging games and activities. It costs £6.50 per person, which includes a fish and chips lunch and refreshments.

The next date the group meet is on
Thursday 28 November 2019.

Find out more at:
[www.headwaysuffolk.org.uk/
dementiamartlesham](http://www.headwaysuffolk.org.uk/dementiamartlesham).

MARTLESHAM VILLAGE HALL TOP STREET

Although we have regular bookings for evenings throughout the year, morning and afternoon sessions are available.

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Will your anchor hold in the storms of life, When the clouds unfold their wings of strife?

William J. Kirkpatrick

Given that Martlesham Heath is an old airbase, it may seem strange to write about the sea. But recently I took a ferry over the channel from Dover to Dunkirk. And for two hours we were at the mercy of the wind and the waves as we travelled what looks like a tiny distance – you can see France from Dover quite clearly. And I say at the mercy of the wind and the waves, but the sea was almost as calm as Aldeburgh boating lake, so for me it was a pleasant journey.

However, my friend who was travelling with me found it an entirely different journey. From the moment he set foot on the boat he felt queasy. Despite the lack of waves and wind, he struggled all the way through the journey, slumped over a table outside, desperately praying for it to be over.

How we experience life can be just like this. For some it can seem as if it is plain sailing. A smooth crossing and all is well. For others, going through what looks like similar circumstances, life can be very different. A real challenge just to keep going.

And when life is a challenge, we can look for something to hold on to – an anchor for our lives. Jesus offers us hope and a firm foundation on which to build our lives. In the bible, we read 'This hope is like a firm and steady anchor for our souls.' (Hebrews 6:19). So if your life is firm and steady, thank God for this. And if your life is all at sea, why not turn to God for his support?

On the ferry there was nothing I could do to help my friend with his sea sickness, so I just sat with him. Similarly, if you see someone who is struggling, you may not be able to fix everything, but knowing you are there, traveling with them may make all the difference. Do look out for others – your presence may make all the difference.

May God bless you in your journeys through life.

Revd. Toby Tate

toby@martleshamcofe.org.uk  Martlesham Benefice

Operation Christmas Child

This year the Runway coffee shop will again be supporting Operation Christmas Child. We will be collecting shoeboxes full of gifts which are sent all over the world to children who would otherwise not receive anything this Christmas.

If you would like to join in, completed shoeboxes, and gifts such as stationery, hygiene items such as soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste, or small toys can be brought to St Michael's church next to the green, or the Runway coffee shop, at the back of the church, during opening hours. More detailed instructions can be found at <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/> or pick up a leaflet from us which tells you how to put together a shoebox with suitable gifts. Since 1990 more than 157 million children in over 160 countries have received a shoebox at Christmas, letting them know that people care about them, so this is a really worthwhile project to support.

Please note the last day for bringing gifts or shoeboxes will be Saturday November 16th.

Revd Christine Pinder

THE MARTLESHAM HEATH PAVILION

Martlesham Heath Pavilion is a great location for children's parties at the weekend.

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Sunday 3rd November <i>All Saints' Day</i>	9.45am All Age Service Holy Communion 5pm After Hours Service	11am Holy Communion (Prayer Book) 3pm Dearly Departed Service	9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday 10th November <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	9.45am Holy Communion with Junior Church	10.45am Muster 11am Morning Worship	6.30pm Evensong
Sunday 17th November	9am Breakfast@9	11am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday 24th November	9.45am Holy Communion with Junior Church	11am Morning Prayer	6.30pm Evensong
Midweek Services	Holy Communion each Wednesday at 10am in St. Michael's. A warm welcome awaits you at all our services		

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

November

- 5 May all those celebrating do so in safety
- 6 Residents in Geneva Avenue
- 7 Those who work with people with addictions
- 8 The police as they try to keep our streets safe
- 9 Those who have to use foodbanks
- 10 Remember with thanks all sacrifices made in war
- 11 People who have just lost their jobs
- 12 Community harmony
- 13 Residents in Green Lane
- 14 Ipswich Housing Action Group working with homeless adults
- 15 Volunteers who produce & distribute Martlesham Monthly
- 16 The Street Pastors helping people late at night
- 17 All those who are required to work on Sundays
- 18 Public Services trying to perform under great pressure
- 19 Those working to protect our wildlife
- 20 Residents in Gresswell Court

- 21 Those working in wet muddy fields
- 22 St. Cecilia's Day Patron Saint of music & musicians
- 23 Those who care for relatives at home
- 24 May everybody feel God's love shining on them
- 25 Those mourning the death of a relative or close friend
- 26 All those involved with the Night Shelter
- 27 Residents in Harvesters Way
- 28 Our local newspapers
- 29 Pray for situations where there is inequality
- 30 St. Andrews Day, remember all the Scottish Clubs nearby.

December

- 1 All the people who do so many unpaid jobs in our churches
- 2 World peace
- 3 That climate change can be taken seriously & action taken
- 4 Residents in Heather Close



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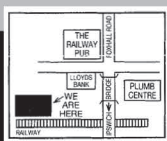
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