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This month, we are featuring Martlesham Monthly's brand new website at www.martleshammonthly.com which was launched last month.

You can go there to find the latest issue, and back issues. There is a page for advertisers, detailing advert sizes, costs and how to contact us. If you want us to deliver a leaflet for you, there is a page with all the details.

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1ST MARTLESHAM SCOUTS

For all enquiries regarding joining the groups please contact Timandra Howell martleshamscouts.thowell@yahoo.com.
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Rachel Pennick 01473 610437

GIRLGUIDING MARTLESHAM

Currently we have

1 Rainbow Unit (ages 5-7), 4 Brownie Packs (ages 7-10), 2 Guide Companies (ages 10-14) & 1 Ranger Unit (ages 14-18) meeting around the Parish.

If you are interested in joining as a member or helping as a volunteer, please contact chris.s.cooper@btinternet.com (Martlesham) or www.girlguiding.org.uk interested (HQ).

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2 October,
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20 September,
18 October,
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MARTLESHAM CLUBS, VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS AND CHARITIES

If you want your Martlesham club or organisation to feature in Martlesham Monthly, we are again offering the chance for you to fill an A4 page.

This year we had the Woolly Wonders knitting group, Deben Rotary, St Elizabeth's Hospice shop, The RSPCA, Martlesham Brass, The Control Tower, The Village Fete, The Bowls Club, who were celebrating their 90th birthday, The Pavillion, with more to come.

There is a place each month, and it is given on a first come first serve basis. E-mail martmonthly@btinternet.com to book your place and for further information We look forward to hearing from you.

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MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

FORTHCOMING EVENT IN THE PARISH

Work Party on Saturday 20 October 2018 at the Recreation Ground, The Street

As part of our ongoing management plan for the Recreation Ground, we welcome volunteers to a work party on

20 October

meeting between 10am–2pm

(stay for as long or as little as you like, bring a packed lunch if you wish but a cuppa will be on hand!).

There will be lots of jobs to do for all abilities and ages, with the guidance of Neil Lister, Countryside Officer for Suffolk Coast & Heaths Project.

If you would like more information, please contact the Council office as below.

New member of staff

Due to an ever increasing workload, the Council is pleased to announce that it has appointed a new council officer, Deborah Chappell, who will work part-time alongside our other 3 part-time staff members. She is due to start on 19 September and we look forward to welcoming her.

Grants to local organisations in 2019

The Parish Council will be considering all applications for grants from local organisations in the autumn. If your group wishes to apply for a grant, please contact the Clerk for an application form, to be completed and returned to the Parish Council by Monday 08 October 2018. These grants are awarded for the financial year 2019/20 and will be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting in April 2019. Any group with a project requiring Parish Council support/funding should also submit their project details and business plan by 08 October 2018 at the latest.

Still Seeking Parish Councillors!

We need two parish councillors to join the other 13 members of our Council in making decisions about our parish and its future. Help us to look after our own land and assets, improve facilities, engage with other authorities on planning and highways matters and decide how the precept (parish council tax) will be spent. We currently have no-one representing the areas around Mill Heath, the Falcon Residential Park, Black Tiles Lane, Viking Heights & Seckford Hall Road.

You don't need specific knowledge or expertise to be a councillor, just a desire to look after your community. Training is available and paid for. Councillors cannot be paid and do not receive any allowances but they may claim reasonable expenses. Please look at our website to find out more about what we do.

Eligible candidates can be considered by the

Council at its full Council meetings on the first Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm, in the Parish Room, Felixstowe Road IP12 4PB. The next opportunity is therefore on 03 October 2018.

Please contact the Parish Clerk for further information or an informal chat.

Martlesham Common Open Day

On 01.09.18 the sun shone on the visitors to the Common. James Baker of the Greenways Countryside Project led 2 informative guided walks sharing his knowledgeable about heathlands and their management, pointing out flora and fauna of interest. The Greenways Project was at the heart of the day with a bug box building activity and live animals (hedgehog, slow worms and privet hawkmoth chrysalises). The Ipswich Wildlife Group, Suffolk Wildlife Trust, Martlesham in Bloom and the Martlesham Conservation Group also had interesting displays. There was an introduction to the 'Friends of the Common' group which we plan to build on later in the year. Refreshments were available in the Parish Room from our councillors and Deputy Clerk. We were also grateful for the help of 2 members of the Portal Woodlands Conservation Group.

Sports Fund Project (Money to Play With) – Trim Trail Update

As reported earlier in the year, a trim trail for Martlesham Heath and the Common/Mill Heath is being developed by our small working group. Locations for 8 exercise stations have been identified and landowners have now given permission. The route is likely to be just under 6km. The equipment is to be robust with no moving parts as the group is mindful of the potential for vandalism. Sites identified are: at the southern end of The Green; between Heathfield & The Oaks; next to the Centenary Playspace; in the Portal Woodlands; by the amenity path that runs from the Tesco

underpass to Main Road; by the southern end of the footpath which runs through Mill Heath; by the path on the Common which skirts Tesco; and at the northern end of the North Green. We are now seeking quotes from suppliers.

Retail Park developments

R G Carter is due to start building the approved Costa drive-thru, on land next to Wickes, on 22.10.18 with a view to handing over the site to Costa Coffee on 21.01.19. The Council has agreed to allow use of the Community Hall car park for the parking of approx. 6 vehicles, mainly work vans and a few cars, in order to keep the surrounding roads free of their vehicles. In return R G Carter will undertake a few small jobs for the benefit of the community which are still to be identified.

Mountain Warehouse will be occupying the former Topps Tiles unit soon, or it may have already done so by the time you read this!

Brightwell Lakes development

Work was due to start in the autumn but there may be a delay whilst Suffolk Coastal District Council waits for more information on the site entrance and further highways reports.

Forthcoming meetings:

Parish Council – Wednesday 03 October 2018

Development Plans Committee – Wednesday 10 October 2018

Finance & General Purposes Committee – Wednesday 24 October 2018

Parish Council – Wednesday 07 November 2018

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> 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 FOR OCTOBER 2018

The Summer for 2018 is, sadly, now over. I have thoroughly enjoyed the gorgeous weather as I hope you have too. We all now wait to see what the late Autumn will bring for us. If you managed to get away for a holiday I trust that everyone had an excellent time. Now for some good News.

100% Business Rate Retention Pilot Suffolk is one of only 10 places in the country that is taking part in a one-year pilot, known as the 'Business Rate Retention' program, which allows us to retain 100% of growth in local business rates, to invest in projects that boost the economic growth and support communities in Suffolk.

This means that Suffolk gets to keep an extra £10.4 million worth of money collected from businesses in Suffolk that would normally be passed to central government. One of the unique features of the pilot was its focus on "Inclusive Growth" which proposed a place based approach to allocation of additional business rate income. This approach introduced a more collaborative working arrangement between County, District and Borough Councils. The potential income for East Suffolk through this source is £3.6million (£1.1m for Waveney and £2.5m for Suffolk Coastal).

Garden Waste Scheme Goes Hi Tech. The Garden Waste Scheme will shortly go Hi Tech. Special ID tags will be embedded in the new, bigger green bins, before they are delivered to members who have opted for the upgrade. A small amount of data (a unique identifier) is encoded in each tag which can be read by a special device that the bin lorry crews will have. SCDC will record which bin has been delivered to which property using the unique identifier. Staff will also be going round to fit ID tags to the smaller brown bins where people have not opted for the upgrade and want to stick with their existing bin. A second letter will be included with the November edition of MM.

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@eastsuffolk.gov.uk

Chris Blundell. SCDC District Councillor (Martlesham Ward)

Did you know?

That in 2011 there was a change in the law which changed who is responsible for maintaining sewage pipes. Previously, you were responsible for your pipes until they joined onto the Mains Sewerage. After, you were responsible for the pipes only up to your property boundary.

Some pipes are shared, crossing over the boundary of more than one house, picking up the pipes on their way, before they reach the mains sewerage. Before the change, if there was a blockage, the person whose land it was on had the unfortunate responsibility of clearing that blockage. Since 1 October 2011, the pipes that are shared before they reach the mains are now public pipes, and Anglian Water may come out to sort out any problems.

For more information, go to their website. The full address of the page is:

<https://www.anglianwater.co.uk/household/water-recycling-services/Private-sewers-and-lateral-drains.aspx#after-1st-october>.— or find it under 'The BIG sewer switchover'.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2018 at Tesco Martlesham- Volunteer collectors

Can you spare some time to join our loyal team of collectors for this year's Poppy Appeal collection at Tesco Martlesham in the two weeks leading up to 11 November
(dates to be confirmed).

Last year the team collected over £10,000 - a fantastic total - for which we thank all those who donated so generously, Tesco for allowing us to collect at their store, and, of course, our collectors.

This year's collection marks the centenary of the end of World War One.

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We hope that these paths will make walking or cycling children to and from school from the south of Martlesham Heath much more pleasant compared to using Eagle Way.

Two of our volunteers have been looking at the risk management of the trees particularly in Birch Woods, to that end we have established that we needed to carry out regular inspections of the trees at varying intervals depending on their location. However you are strongly advised not to walk under trees during periods of strong winds, thunderstorms or inclement weather.

We are pleased that working with Gorseland School to open and close the Control Tower Carpark gate, we are able to continue allowing the use of the carpark for parents to drop off and collect children. We would like to stress that drivers should observe that the Grove has right of way and care should be taken whilst driving to and from the carpark. The barrier height is 2M so do take care with large SUV and any car carrying a Topbox or Bicycles.

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

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Hedgehog Nursery is open Monday to Friday for 3 and 4 year olds. We offer wrap around care from 7.30 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. with our breakfast and afterschool clubs.

Hedgehog Nursery is part of Gorseland Primary School and is led by a qualified teacher, Mrs. Haig, who is supported by highly qualified and experienced staff. We are very lucky that we have the use of the school's fantastic facilities, including our forest school, ICT suite, library, large sports hall and extensive grounds to explore. This makes our provision very special. We provide a learning atmosphere where children can explore and investigate in a safe, stimulating and challenging environment. We capitalise on the children's interests to springboard them into learning experiences that extend what they can already do.

The start of term brought many new faces to Hedgehog Nursery. We have all settled in and have enjoyed exploring the indoor and outdoor environments. We particularly liked the 'tube telephones' that we found in the garden!

If you would like more information, please visit www.gorseland.net or alternatively contact the School Office on 01473 623790.

Mrs. T. Haig
Nursery Lead Teacher

Hedgehog Nursery is open Monday-Friday, 07.30-18.00 for 3 and 4 year olds. If you would like more information please visit www.gorseland.net or alternatively contact the School Office 01473 623790.

MARTLESHAM PLAYGROUP

At Martlesham Playschool we were busy over the summer in our holiday club, going on lots of outings, being pirates and princesses, baking and lots more, and we will have more activities for October half term. Our Little Explorers club is an opportunity for the children to go out and explore the world around them with lots of fun activities, such as tree rubbing and tents in the woods.



Our Annual General Meeting takes place at Martlesham Playschool on Wednesday October 17th at 7.30pm. We would urge all our parents and carers to support us at this important meeting, thank you.

We still have some spaces left for this, and future terms, and we welcome you to come and look round. Our dedicated team ensures that your child will have excellent opportunities to learn and grow with us. At Martlesham Playschool we offer all year round places, call us on 01473 625986 or visit our Facebook page – [martleshamplayschool](https://www.facebook.com/martleshamplayschool) or website - mandkplayschools.co.uk for more info.

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Sunday Crafts (10 – 12 noon) – The following craft activities will be taking place during October:

Sunday 7th – Design your own monster using a lolly stick and pompom;

Sunday 14th – Did you know you can make a long wiggly snake out of a circle? Pop along and create your own slippery snake to take home;

Sunday 21st – Have you ever won a gold fish at the fair? Make your own gold fish picture to take home today;

Sunday 28th – It's nearly Halloween. Make a pumpkin collage to decorate your home for Halloween.

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 (including holidays).

Tot Rock - 9.45am – 10.15 am.

BabyBounce - 10.30am – 11.00am.

Story Time – every Friday morning (term time only) 9.45 – 10.15 a.m.

Lego Club – 3.45 – 4.45 p.m. (term time only). Parents must stay with children under eight. Themes for October: 02/10 Gardens, 09/10 Jet Skis 16/10 Lorries and 30/10 Halloween



Bright Stars Fun Activity Sessions for Pre-school aged Children

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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 2018 session dates:

October 8th

HALF TERM

November 12th

November 26th

December 10th

We would all like to say a big thank you to Yvonne Keen, who is retiring from helping at Bright Stars. Yvonne has been involved with Bright Stars for over 20 years and we would like to thank her very much for all her help and commitment over the years.

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:

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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 contact us via the website or use the contact details below.

Liz Howard. (Publicity Officer)
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QUIZ NIGHT

Deben Flower Club will be holding another one of their, now very popular Quiz Night on Saturday 27th October in Kirton Church Hall, Church Lane, Kirton IP10 0PU 7pm for 7.30pm. Once again this will be a light-hearted fun evening and will include a Ploughman's Supper.

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MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP

Heathland will begin to transition towards woodland if it is not managed either by grazing with animals such as sheep, horses or rabbits or by more direct management using tools and machinery. As we do not have the option of using grazing on our local heaths due to the high level of public access, we have to use the second approach to try to maintain and expand the tracts of heather and open landscape that characteristic of heathland. Why not consider coming along to one of our work parties in order to manage this special landscape and wildlife ?

Over the summer much of our practical activity on the heath SSSI has been taken up in trying to control some of the areas of bracken that if left unchecked would submerge areas of heather or acid grassland. Both heather and grassland are able to support a much wider range of wildlife than bracken. Many thanks to all those volunteers who persisted in this activity over this very hot summer.

In October we begin our autumn and winter cycle of scrub clearance on the heath. Our work party will take place on Sunday 7th October at 10am. Please meet out on the heath SSSI on the bank that runs east-west. across the site just along the path from the entrance between Heathfield and The Oaks.

As we transition into autumn several mushrooms, have already begun to appear including the evocatively named Parasols. The appearance of these fruiting bodies was presumably triggered by a slightly cooler spell at that time accompanied by wetter weather. We should see many more varieties through October and November adding there own palette of vivid colours and shapes to our local landscape.

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, the Volunteers returned back to the woods after a break during a hot August. I am pleased to report a lucky sighting of a slow worm enjoying the summer warmth on one of our paths.

Do you enjoy walking along our woodland paths and following the marked routes? Do you enjoy seeing nature thriving on your doorstep? Do you enjoy the historic sites preserved in the woodland? If any of your answers to these are a 'yes' and you can spare an hour or two each month then maybe please consider joining us. Meet new people, get some exercise and enjoy the fresh air, join us to help protect the woodlands. All ages and abilities are welcomed with open arms.

At the beginning of the summer the Group's tool store was broken into and after the theft of some of our tools we are in need of replacements; if anyone has any old gardening tools they no longer require and would be happy to donate then please let us know (contact details below). It would be much appreciated.

Dates for the Diary

Volunteer Work Morning (all ages)

Sunday 21st October, 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 17th November, 9:00am – 11:00am. Please book a place via our email address below.

Nature Watch Club (5-11 year olds)

Dates to be confirmed.

New volunteers of all ages and abilities are always welcome. No experience needed.

For further information, please contact us at pwcg.martlesham@gmail.com,

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Sam Cork, Nature Explorer and Young Volunteer.



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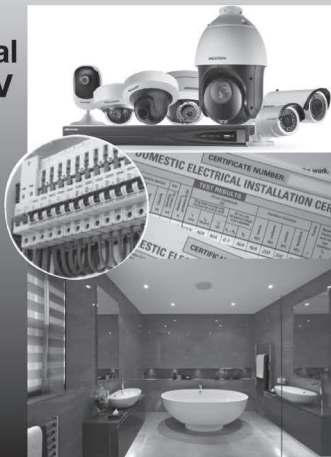


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NO MARTLESHAM HEATH 10KM THIS YEAR

The Martlesham Heath 10k and the fun run have been highlights in the Heath's autumn calendar since the 1980s but this year, the restriction placed on runner numbers, renders the event uneconomic to run.

Over the years many families living on the Heath have taken part in the event with keen runners tackling the 10k and families, of all ages, enjoying the fun run. The races were the brain child of Les Hutchinson MBE, an erstwhile prominent Heath resident who teamed-up with the Woodbridge and District Lions to deliver the annual event.

The popularity of the races soon made it the biggest fund-raiser for the Lions Club which, over the years, has redirected the money raised back into the local community to help those in need. Individuals, families and groups have been helped from the Martlesham Scout Group and Cricket Club, to young adults undertaking voluntary work overseas and older residents who have been received a food hamper to brighten up their Christmas. The absence of the races this year means the Lions' ability to support those in need in the community will be severely curtailed.

The races have done much to raise the profile of the Martlesham Heath Village and for just five hours, once a year, the Heath bustles with the excitement of high-class athletics. All activities from car parking to race marshalling and rubbish collection are carefully managed and by one o'clock on the race day the Heath is once again returned to its quiet splendour.

When viewed against other events held in the Village, such as Music on the Green, the Martlesham 10k is considerably less intrusive by noise, numbers of people and cars and so it is unclear why Martlesham Heath Householders Ltd have placed a restriction on the size of the event this year and have rendered it uneconomic to run. It's a great pity as it is not only one of the best run races in the county but, perhaps more importantly, so many people in need in the local community are supported by the money raised.

It is hoped that a way forward can be found so that the event can return to the calendar in 2019.

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

Our meeting on Friday, 7th September featured an illustrated talk, "Rolls Royce In Germany - A journey through the history of German Gas Turbine Engine Manufacture."

It was delivered by Stuart Yule, the son of one of our members. It was a family affair because he was accompanied by his father, wife and daughter.

In a brilliantly professional delivery Stuart explained just how international the production of highly technical equipment has become.

Of course the name Rolls Royce is synonymous with motor cars. Sadly today Rolls Royce no longer produces cars and that division of the company is now owned by Volkswagen, although they are still manufactured in Derby, the spiritual home of Rolls Royce.

Rolls Royce, in conjunction with truly international partners is a leading manufacturer of aircraft engines, stationary power plants and railway locomotive engines.

After giving us an explanation of some of the excellent gas turbines developed by the Rolls Royce consortium, Stuart concluded by giving us a glimpse into the future. The future apparently is electric! Already hybrid turbine engines partially powered by electricity are in the development stage and just like motor cars, it is inevitable that aircraft of the future will be powered solely by electricity.

A vote of thanks was given by our president, Richard Barker and Stuart presented the society with a mounted section of a Rolls Royce turbine blade for our museum.

Our next meeting will be on Friday, 5th October will feature an illustrated talk by Ken Ellis of "Flypast" magazine entitled, "Testing to the Limits", a special talk about British Test Pilots. Should be a really good evening.

Meetings start at 7.30pm at the Community Hall, Felixstowe Road, IP12 4PB with a tea/coffee break. Non-members are welcome for a payment of just £4 at the door.

Alan Powell 01473 622458

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We had a great attendance at our Classic Car Event on Sunday, 9th. Marvellous autumn sunshine and everybody seemed to enjoy themselves.

A big thank you for all who turned up.

Our museum is open every Sunday afternoon from 2pm to 5pm until the end of October.

MARTLESHAM IN BLOOM



Martlesham Common Nature Reserve Open Day - Saturday 1st September

This Open Day was successful where our stand had information from our Wildlife Survey. Some people took part in our 'Species to Spot' activity as well as the other activities that were happening there. Several species, not spotted previously, were seen on the day including Grayling butterflies and Bee-wolf.

Martlesham Common - Wildlife survey of flora and fauna

The survey of its flora and fauna is ongoing and the results so far show that Martlesham Common has a wide diversity of flora and fauna and is therefore an important place for wildlife as well as being an attractive and interesting area for residents.

The survey is continuing and we will be interested to hear of any sightings of what lives or grows on the Common, particularly as there will be autumnal species, such as fungi, to see

Martlesham Common is the area of land between the A12, Mill Heath, Felixstowe Road and Tesco and is designated as a County Wildlife Site. Many sightings of a wide variety of species have been recorded by several volunteers since the beginning of March 2017 including:-

- 42 species of birds,
- 20 species of butterflies,
- 34 different insects including
- seven different bees,
- At least 130 different plants (including trees and large shrubs).

If you or anyone you know is interested in helping with this survey by recording what you see when you visit the area, which can be daily, weekly, monthly or whenever you are walking across the Common, please contact the Secretary below.

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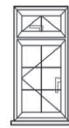
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On 8th November Mr Place will tell us about the part dogs play in drug detection and bring his dog with him.

All ladies are very welcome to join us for these interesting talks. Meetings are held on alternate Thursday evenings at 7.15pm in the Richards Room. For more information contact Doreen Boar 01473 622768.

MARTLESHAM CARPET BOWLS.

We completed the Summer League with 5 wins and 5 losses but only ended up next to bottom in the group. We now look forward to the Winter League which will already have started by the time you get this.

This year we are being joined by Old Felixstowe, Tithe Barn, Kesgrave and Brantham. We will be starting the first round of the Club Competitions, so get your name down if you want to play. We are also planning to resurrect the Fun Day Competition if there is sufficient support. As it is not so easy to fit it into a normal Club afternoon we have opted for a Sunday afternoon on 21st. October commencing at 1.30pm

We are actively seeking new members we meet in the Community Hall at the back of Tesco's on Tuesday and Friday afternoon from 1.30 to 4.30 and on Tuesday evenings from 7.30 to 10.00pm. Carpet Bowls is an interesting and challenging game and a good opportunity to meet new friends. Just come along and meet us or for more information contact our Secretary Ian Hunt on 01473 611947.

Judith Longman

GOLDEN GIRLS

We are a group of ladies who live on their own and we meet up for friendship and mutual support. Our coffee mornings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 11.00am 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 will be on October 11th. when we plan to visit Wyevalles for some lunch.

For more information contact Ann Price on 01473 620832

SHARING THE BOUNTY

The hedges are laden with blackberries; the nights are drawing in. It's the time of year when our neighbourhood artisan cooks are preserving and jam-making even more than ever. Come and taste their efforts – buy a pot or three for your larder... mmm... Pies, quiches, pastries, savouries and sweet, cakes, cookies, tarts and fudge are also available for your personal delectation and for sharing. A welcome tasty gift for a friend or a wholesome treat for the family – not forgetting that we make delicious gluten-free and dietary "specials" to order, so everyone can have a slice.

Remember your five-a-day: we have home-grown vegetables, hand-picked fruit and fresh eggs. What we are looking for is a supplier of honey, so if you know a local bee-keeper who needs an outlet, please ask them to get in touch – Margaret Gayfer, 01473 623849. As you may know, eating local honey is believed to help prevent allergies to local pollens, and it tastes great on toast and in tea.

Need a bag or cot quilt or bunting? Delight in the textures of crochet-work. Is it time for a new pair of fleecy gloves – with a matching hat and scarf – ready for when the weather turns? What about a wooden bowl or bangle, hand-turned, to enjoy on your table? Our busy crafters are happy to chat, to discuss their methods and materials as well as to take commissions for any occasion – and Christmas, of course.

Come and support our part in Macmillan's World's Biggest Coffee Morning on Friday, 28 September, for Macmillan's Cancer Support.

We're in the Martlesham Heath Pavilion every Tuesday morning, 9-11:15. Enjoy a cuppa after some productive browsing? (Yes, we have a card payment system now.)

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MARTLESHAM HISTORY SOCIETY

Monday 15th October

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Elizabeth Serpell

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WOOLLY WONDERS

Many thanks to all those who supported the community fundraising event at the end of last month for McMillan, which we were delighted to be part of.

You can always find us knitting and chatting every Thursday between 10 and 12 @ The Runway Cafe next to St Michael's Church. There's always room for you if you'd like to learn a new skill, or would like to join others to discuss your latest project.

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST

Please look out for us in Woodbridge on Saturday 13th October when we will be holding a Street Collection in order to raise funds for Suffolk Wildlife Trust's conservation activities in Suffolk.

Our indoor meetings start again after the summer break on Thursday 18th October at 7:30pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall with Mike Toms from the BTO on the subject of "Owls- Secrets of the Night".

Everyone welcome. Admission £3.00.

In November we have a Quiz Evening with wine and nibbles on Thursday 15th November at 7:30pm in the Woodbridge Community Hall. Everyone welcome. Admission £4.

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Further information about the Music Fund and the event can also 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

WOODBIDGE LIBRARY

Book Group (Meets the first Thursday of the month at 2pm) On 4th October we will be discussing "From The Heart" written by Susan Hill. Please come along if you have read this book and would like to join in the discussion.

From Saturday 6th October throughout the month - Sale of donated books – fiction, non-fiction and children's. All proceeds go to the Friends of Woodbridge Library.

Monday 8th October, 10-11.30 am - Visit by the Woodbridge & District Safer Neighbourhood Team Come along to the mobile police surgery and talk to members of the local Safer Neighbourhood Team about any concerns you have. They will also be distributing crime prevention information, promoting the scheme that returns your keys and answering any questions you may have.

Wednesday 17th October, 7pm – Fashion Show by Parkside Shops Tickets £8 each (drink included) and are available from Woodbridge Library or participating shops. In aid of the Friends of Woodbridge Library

WOODBIDGE & DISTRICT LIONS – LATEST NEWS

Woodbridge and District Lions Club continue to work to support the local community and turned out in September to help at the Alzheimer's Society Memory Walk event in Christchurch Park, Ipswich. It was a wonderful day which was enjoyable and rewarding for participants and helpers alike.

As with all fund raising it gets harder and harder to raise funds to meet the increasing needs of the community as centrally funded budgets are cut.

Please come along and support our efforts at our next fund raising event, our Art Show and Sale on Saturday 20th October.

The venue is the Salvation Army Hall, just off the Thoroughfare in Woodbridge, doors open at 9.30 and entry is free. Works of art are generously donated by the art clubs of Rushmere and Kesgrave will be on show and for sale.

Every painting is framed and nothing costs more than £30, with many prices well below that. Tea, coffee and home-made cakes will be on sale.

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THE MOTHERS UNION

On October 3rd at 2.30pm

Mr Howard Lowe is coming to talk about

"Understanding Dementia"

On November 7th at 2.30pm Dorothee
Double will tell us about her exciting
expedition to Kilimanjaro.

All very Welcome.

Both above meetings to be held in St
Michael's Church Centre. Martlesham Heath

Darkness to Light

Well the clocks have changed, the nights are getting even longer and winter is on our doorsteps. I'm not one of them, but for some, these short days of reduced sunshine and long nights of darkness are a real problem and cause all sorts of health issues.

Darkness is all encompassing isn't it? I can remember, many years ago, visiting a coal mine. We all wore hard hats but only the leader had a lamp so for short periods we had to walk in total darkness. It was a darkness I'd never experienced before, it was almost physical, you could feel it and it dulled all your senses. The only respite came when we walked round a bend in the path or the leader's head bobbed to one side. The brief flash of light dissipated the darkness and reminded you weren't alone and there were others on the journey with you.

The Bible talks a lot about light. The first book, Genesis, begins the story of creation by saying 'the earth was a soup of nothingness, a bottomless emptiness, an inky blackness.' And what was the first thing God created? Light! Light which gave form to the earth, a means by which plants could grow and life could begin.

Later on, in John's gospel. Jesus says 'I am the light of the world'. He offers us the chance to see things from a different perspective, one which offers us hope and a future.

It doesn't stop there because one of the final chapters of the book of Revelation right at the end of the Bible, we read 'there will be no more night; no need of light of lamp or sun for the Lord God will be their light'

He's there at the beginning, there at the end, and provides us with light to take us through the dark times of life.

Rev Margaret Rittman
Martlesham with Brightwell.

**GIPPESWYK SINGERS NEWS – AN
EXCITING SEASON OF MUSIC FOR
2018/2019.**

Gippeswyk Singers enjoyed a weekend of hot sunny weather on their summer concert tour to the West Country in June which saw them warmly welcomed at the Frome Festival and also performing at the beautiful St Michael's Without in Bath. Lovely weather for sight seeing (or was it too hot?!) and a wonderful time traveling and singing together made for a memorable trip to Somerset.

Rehearsals are now underway for a New Year Concert with Martlesham Brass on Sunday 6th January 2019 which will include Benjamin Britten's "A Ceremony of Carols". Once Christmas is over the choir will be focused with great anticipation on preparing a Spring concert at Snape Maltings.

Conductor Geoff Lavery is the musical director of 3 Suffolk choirs which are working in collaboration to present Verdi's "Requiem" at Snape Maltings Concert Hall on Saturday 11th May 2019. Beccles Choral Society and Phoenix Singers will be

joining Gippeswyk Singers and the Lambeth Orchestra for what will be a special highlight on Suffolk's musical calendar next year.

Tickets are already selling and are available from choir members and Snape Maltings Box Office. Gippeswyk Singers support local charities with their concerts so do come along and hear a delightfully expressive chamber choir and give a boost to some worthy local causes. For further information please visit our website.

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Services for the Month	Martlesham Heath St Michael's	Martlesham St Mary's	Brightwell St John's
Sunday 7th October	9.45am All Age Service Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (Prayer Book)	8am Holy Communion
Sunday 14th October	9.45am Holy Communion with Junior Church	11am Morning Worship	6.30pm Evensong
Sunday 21st October	9am Breakfast@9	11am Holy Communion	8am Holy Communion
Sunday 28th October	9.45 Holy Communion with Junior Church	11am Morning Prayer 3pm Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance	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

October

5 give thanks for our homes and families
6 for the work of the Bible Society
7 for a closer walk with God this week
8 for everyone who will go hungry today
9 for the residents of The Street
10 for all who suffer from poor mental health
11 for those who maintain our roads
12 for all in prison and those who visit them
13 for everyone working in our local shops
14 praise God for all his blessings to us
15 for all who teach the faith
16 for those who are searching for work
17 for the residents of Thirling Court
18 for all in the medical profession on St Luke's day
19 for those who have difficult decisions to make
20 for the success of One World Week

21 give thanks for God's word in the Bible
22 for families during half term week
23 for the residents of Three Stiles Lane
24 for the work of the United Nations
25 for workers at our local nurseries and playschools
26 for wisdom for world leaders and our government
27 for local retained fire-fighters
28 All Saints' Sunday,
give thanks for the example of the saints
29 for our local youth football clubs, players and volunteers
30 for the residents of Top Street
31 for all who mourn
November
1 for Christians everywhere on All Saints' Day
2 for our parish, district and county councillors
3 for Big Issue vendors
4 for those who cannot come to church today



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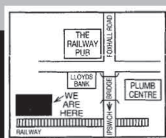
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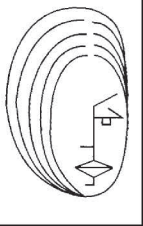
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