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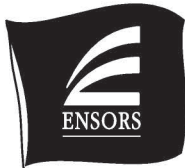
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THIS MONTH'S PHOTOGRAPH .

This month, Alan Powell has sent us a photograph of the ring of stones made in Birch Woods by the Painted Rocks group over the summer.

Check out inside for the AGMs of several organisations that are taking place online this year.

MARTLESHAM SCOUT GROUP

NEW FOR 2020

Although the main Scout Post has been cancelled due to Covid, there will be a local post this year.

There will be Christmas post boxes in

- The Runway Cafe
- Duncan's Bakery
- BlackTiles PostOffice
- J's Crown Point Fish and Chip Shop

From 25 November to 14 December

Please post cards and include 20p per card (in a separate envelope) for addresses in **Martlesham & Martlesham Heath ONLY.**

House number and postcode on the back of each envelope please.

Your support for this local community venture is much appreciated .

Please call : 01473 610437 if you have any questions.

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.

If you are interested in joining as a member or helping as a volunteer, please contact Jo at jo.d@btinternet.com (Martlesham) or www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested (HQ).

Come join the fun & start your Guiding adventure today!

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MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

East and West Suffolk added to Covid-19 watchlist

A Suffolk County Council press release on 08 October warned us that East and West Suffolk had been placed on an East of England watchlist by Public Health England, due to a continuing rise in Covid-19 cases.

The rise in cases was not specifically linked to a certain group of people, or type of workplace but widespread across the community.

The situation is constantly changing so by the time you read this, at the beginning of November, the picture may have changed again. However, the key message will have remained the same:

“Hands, face, space”:

- **Maintain health & hygiene standards through regular handwashing**
- **Wear a mask**
- **Maintain 2m distance from people, wherever possible**

These measures will help stop the virus from spreading and will help keep our number of cases to some of the lowest in the country.

Remember - if you experience any of the recognised Covid-19 symptoms, you must immediately book a test and begin self-isolating. If you cannot book a test straight away, be patient and keep trying. You have up to eight days to take your test from when you first experience symptoms.

Symptoms are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste.

Book a free test by visiting the NHS website or calling NHS 119.

For the latest information on coronavirus and how to stay safe, visit www.gov.uk/coronavirus

New councillor

We are delighted that Jane Hall has come forward as a new councillor and was co-opted & welcomed by the full Council on 07 October 2020. Jane moved to Martlesham in 2013 and participates in a wide range of local groups. Jane says, “I feel that becoming a Parish Councillor would give me the chance to further help and support my local community. I am particularly interested in

helping to support and represent the views of those living in more rural parts of Martlesham and to forge greater links between rural Martlesham and its more populated parts. I am passionate about preserving the appearance and quality of our Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and the Deben estuary for all who use it. I want to help to preserve real quality of life for all those who live and work here both now, and in the future.”

Councillor vacancy

We now have one vacancy left for a parish councillor. It's great that, despite all the restrictions, people are coming forward to join our team of councillors. Please find out more about what your Parish Council does through our website and facebook page and join us at our next Zoom meeting on 04 November, or email the Clerk for more information (see below).

Ongoing services

Due to the increase in Covid cases the government has encouraged those who can to continue working from home. For the time being therefore there will still be limited manning of the office.

Throughout these difficult times we have continued to maintain our services, such as land maintenance, play area inspections and responding to local and national consultations.

Working Groups

Our working groups have continued to make progress on their varied projects:

- **Recreation Ground & Kronji's Piece Steering Group** – developing a management plan for the Recreation Ground – look out for consultation at a later date.
- **Community Orchard Working Group** – the volunteers have done a fantastic job in keeping the trees watered throughout the summer with no supply on hand; many thanks to them. We are hoping to secure a permanent water supply on the Orchard site. The group is now considering its autumn/winter maintenance and Phase 2 of the planting scheme for next year.
- **Portal Woodlands Conservation Group** – continues to keep the woods safe for us all to enjoy.
- **Climate Emergency Working Group** – held its inaugural meeting in September & will be informing many aspects of our work. Please look out for more news direct from

the group in this or December's edition.

- **Sports Fund Working Group** – following the successful installation of the trim trail, the group has moved on to its next project, which, through consultation, you identified as a multi-games area (MUGA). We are restricted by the availability of suitable land. We are looking into what we can do on our land known as the Jubilee Playspace, as well as an upgrade of the existing children's play area. Consultation will take place in due course.
- **Wildflower Project Team** – working with the principal authorities to improve the wildflower value of some of the roadside verges in the parish.

Diamond Jubilee Bike Trails – Alterations, ideas and help

Please remember that the only access to the bike trails is from the track off Main Road, adjacent to the Gospel Hall entrance, not from Carol Avenue.

If you have any ideas for improvement and/or would like to help in managing the jumps, please email or send us a facebook message – see 'contacting the council' at the end of this article for details.

McCarthy and Stone updated planning application DC/20/1036/FUL - Martlesham Heath Retirement Complex

New application documents from McCarthy & Stone were published in September on the East Suffolk planning portal. As they stand, the new documents fail to address the comments we made on the original plans (09/04/20) and appear incomplete.

Due to this and the lack of proper notification, we were granted an extension for comments until 15 October.

At the time of writing, we feel we must repeat our previous objections; we wait to hear whether the deadline for comments will be extended further.

Virtual Meetings

FULL COUNCIL: WEDNESDAY 04 NOVEMBER, 7.30PM

RECREATION & AMENITIES COMMITTEE: WEDNESDAY 18 NOVEMBER, 7.30PM

FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE: WEDNESDAY 02 DECEMBER, 7.30PM

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO OBSERVE AND PARTICIPATE IN THE PUBLIC FORUM AT THESE MEETINGS.

To join any of these meetings, please contact

From Your Conservative District Councillor: Chris Blundell

New Chairman Elected.

East Suffolk Council elected its new chairman at a Virtual Annual Meeting that was held on 23rd September 2020

Cllr Keith Richardson, who represents the Oulton Broad Ward, will be Chairman for the remainder of the 2020/21 Municipal Year, taking on the post from Cllr Colin Hedgley.

New Ambitious Local Plan Approved. East Suffolk Council have adopted the Suffolk Coastal Local Plan. An ambitious strategy to guide and manage new development for the former Suffolk Coastal area in a sustainable and plan led way. It proposes the delivery of at least 6,500 jobs and 9,756 new homes over the period to 2036 supported by the delivery of appropriate infrastructure whilst also setting out an approach to protect, maintain and enhance the high quality built, historic and natural environment, and mitigate and adapt to climate change.

New Service for Council Tenants to be Launched. East Suffolk Council's housing tenants will soon be able to manage their tenancy more easily using a new online service, due to be launched later this year. The new portal, called 'myHome East Suffolk' will be launched by the end of the year and will enable those living in council owned properties to manage payments,

request repairs and make appointments quickly and easily. More details about how to sign up for the new service will be released in the coming weeks and all tenants will be contacted directly regarding the new service.

Major Funding Boost to help Tackle Homelessness. East Suffolk Council has been awarded £93,312 in funding as part of the Government's 'Next Steps Accommodation Programme', to help vulnerable people housed during the pandemic stay in accommodation. Working closely with key partners across the district, the funding will enable the Council to continue to provide accommodation and support for vulnerable people placed under the

Covid 19 provisions, including assisting with offers of accommodation in the private rented sector; offering employment and skills support through a personalised one-to-one coaching service delivered by: *Access Community Trust*; and providing additional emergency beds during the colder Winter months.

People Encouraged to stay Safe on our Coast.

A campaign was launched earlier this year to remind residents and visitors about the importance of staying safe on our coast.

Throughout the Covid 19 restrictions and particularly since early Summer, the Council's Coastal Management Team has received almost daily reports from concerned land owners, businesses and



the community about people climbing on eroding cliffs, climbing on top of sea defences and ignoring signs warning of potential dangers.

The campaign encourages people to visit the coast and enjoy all that there is to see and do but also aims to educate people to take care whilst they are there to ensure that their visit is enjoyable and safe. The campaign launched on social media and with posters and information in prominent local places.

Anyone who notices anything unusual or dangerous about cliffs or any coastal defences, should email coastalmanagement@eastsuffolk.gov.uk In an emergency always call 999 and ask for the Coastguard.

If you wish to have further information on any of the foregoing topics or any other district council matter please contact me by email at chris.blundell@eastsuffolk.gov.uk.

Otherwise by phone on 01473 622716.

Martlesham Parish Council cont/...

the Clerk, see below, no later than 5pm the day before the meeting to receive an invitation or see our website or noticeboards for further details.

Contacting the Council

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

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Please "Follow Us" on our Facebook page which is @Martlesham Parish. The full address is <https://www.facebook.com/MartleshamParish>

Martlesham Primary Academy.

Reception Places for September 2021

We are pleased to announce we are hosting a number of open mornings for prospective parents to meet our Head Teacher, Miss Churchman, tour the school and to hear more about all the exciting opportunities we have to offer at Martlesham Primary Academy. These tours will comply with all current COVID19 rules and we will ask all visitors to wear a face mask.

9 October 2020 at 9.30am (FULL)

14 October 2020 at 9.30am (FULL)

20 October 2020 at 9.30am

10 November 2020 at 9.30am

All families, including those who don't live in the Martlesham area, are welcome to make an appointment to attend by calling the School Office on 01473 624409 or by emailing office@martleshamacademy.org You can also visit our website where you will find lots of information about our school, www.martleshamacademy.org

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Collections at the Pavilion on 10 October 2020

Payments of the Annual Maintenance charge were made at the Pavilion on Saturday 10th October 2020 between 9.00am and 1.00pm. This year collections were made using a credit card machine for contactless card payments due to the Covid-19 situation. Thank you for your cooperation..

Enquiries

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Wildflowers

Wildflowers have been introduced onto a section of our land between the two benches on Eagle Way near The Grove. The gorse has been cut away at this point and seeding has been completed.

MARTLESHAM HEATH – A HISTORY

Detailed planning permission for the first Martlesham hamlet of ninety dwellings was granted in 1975 and by September that year the first show houses were completed. Martlesham's first family moved to its new home on 27th May 1976, nearly fifteen years after the plans were first conceived.

The company's initial capital investment in the project by that stage topped £2 million and all the road and other infrastructure works that were necessary before the first houses could be marketed, as well as the costs of the house building programme itself, came from BPT's own cash resources. Bidwells have managed both the housing project and the industrial estate from the beginning but the company decided that nobody could handle the sales better than its own staff and Harry Higgins, the senior branch manager, moved from Walthamstow to become the village's sales manager. As a variant of BPT's estate management techniques his responsibilities have, as the project is still in the building stage, necessarily involved a considerable amount of after sales service.

Clifford Culpin and Partners, the architects for the scheme as a whole and for the first phase of housing, worked to a BPT brief that incorporated the random mixture of house styles, sizes and materials that would be found in an established Suffolk village. In that first phase of houses and flats, which were

built around a seven-and-a-half-acre village green, the dwellings ranged in price from £9,000 one-bedroom flats to £29,000 five-bedroom, two bathroom houses with double garages. That range of houses and flat sizes will be seen throughout the whole of the Martlesham Heath project, and BPT has ensured a variety of house styles by retaining from the outset three different architectural firms to work on the twelve hamlets that will form the whole 1,000 home village, and subsequently at least one other architect has become involved.

It has been the company's intention to create the framework of a community rather than a housing estate for both social and commercial reasons. If, unlike so many modern estates, Martlesham continues to be a place where people wish to live, the value of the properties will be enhanced as the development progresses. That will benefit both the earlier house buyers and the company. In the meantime the industrial estate developed alongside the village has become BPT's most important and most profitable, commercial property holding. Letting income from the estate already accounts for more than ten per cent of the company's total rental income, and these industrial buildings now produce more each year than Martlesham Heath as a whole cost back in 1942.

Contact and further Information

If there are any issues that you feel that need attention please do not hesitate to contact Martlesham Heath Householders Ltd by leaving a voicemail on 01473 612207 or by email to <mailto:martleshamheathhouseholders@gmail.com> or by post to Martlesham Heath Householders Ltd, PO Box 897, Martlesham Heath, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 9PB.

GORSELAND PRIMARY SCHOOL



Reception 2021 Admission Information

We would like to welcome all prospective parents who are applying for a school place for September 2021 to join us for a Live Q & A with the Headteacher and our reception team on Thursday 12th November at 8 p.m.

We are here to answer any questions you may have and guide you through the process

To take part, please use the sign up form on our website found at the link below and we will provide the meeting details in due course.

You can also see more about Gorseland Primary School throughout our website.

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Autumn at Hedgehog Nursery



At Hedgehogs, we have been celebrating the changing season with leaf collecting and colour mixing. We have explored the delights of horse chestnuts and used them in all aspects of our play.

We have been talking about our families and have been using our fantastic drawing skills to record who lives in our homes. They look so effective in black and white.

A pumpkin was discovered in our garden kitchen and it inspired some research. We opened it up to look inside, scooped out the seeds, looked at other kinds of pumpkins and discovered that when mixing red and yellow it makes 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!

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IPSWICH SCOUT CHRISTMAS POST IS CANCELLED

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Saturday	10.00 – 1.00pm.
Sunday	CLOSED

KESGRAVE LIBRARY NEWS

It has been lovely to welcome so many of you back
to the library over the last couple of months. We
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We are extending our opening hours to include
Monday mornings again, from Monday 2nd Novem-
ber. Please see our revised opening hours at the
end of this article.

The following guidelines are still in place: -

- Only 3 customers are allowed in the library at any
one time. Queuing may be experienced at times
of heavy demand.
- All returned items are to be placed through our
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Christmas Cards – this year we will have Christ-
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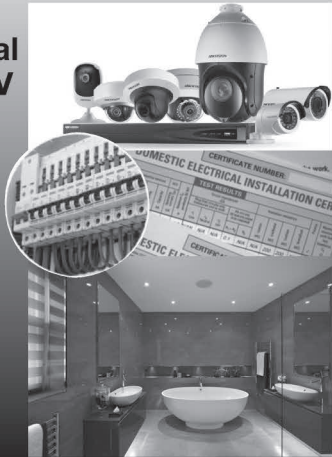


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Martlesham Parish Council Climate Emergency Declaration – what next?

Along with many other Parish Councils, Martlesham has declared a 'climate emergency'. What does this mean and what can/should we be doing about it? Here are some first thoughts and steps on creating a community response to the climate emergency.

Climate Change

This refers to the overwhelming body of scientific evidence gathered over several decades that the world's climate is changing due to increasing average global temperatures caused by increased levels of carbon dioxide (and other green house gases) in the atmosphere predominately as a direct result of burning fossil fuels (oil, gas and coal). Oil, gas and coal have been locked away in the Earth for millennia, but since the industrial revolution, humans have been extracting them and using them to power our modern economies. Indeed, fossil fuels have delivered substantial improvements in food, health and general wealth for much of an increasing world population. However, it is increasingly obvious that this has come at a terrible cost to the Earth's environment (animals, plants, soil, pollution, water, air etc). Even worse, the Earth's climate is changing as a direct consequence of humans burning fossil fuels threatening our very civilization we have built on the back of those fossil fuels. Climate change is impacting lives across the globe now. For the sake of our

children, our grandchildren and ourselves now is the time for action.

What can I do?

It all seems insurmountable, but the biggest threat to humanity is that we ignore the threat and individually do nothing hoping someone else will fix it. To quote Sir David Attenborough "what happens next is up to all of us". It will be a hard slog to change our comfortable fossil fuel based ways of life but a combination of Governments' policies nudging us into the right behaviours and grassroots initiatives can give us hope.

So what can we do as individuals and as a parish?

- 1) We have set up 'Martlesham Climate Action', a Martlesham Parish Council 'Climate Emergency Working Group' to act as a catalyst to help promote, support and extend existing initiatives and drive new ones with a focus on reducing carbon footprints and protecting and enhancing biodiversity.
- 2) Here are some ideas some of which are already being undertaken by our Parish and other communities:
 - Run a community 'carbon reduction forum'. Teach and share with each other about how our lives cause carbon dioxide emissions (transport, food, heating, fashion etc) and share ideas on how we can reduce carbon emissions that we cause (e.g. switching our electricity tariff to 100% renewable, installation of more insulation, installation of solar panels and heat pumps, try and re-use and fix than chuck and replace, consume less, source more locally,

- consider dietary changes, travel less by plane and car etc....
- Give nature a helping hand (protect and enhance biodiversity) through tree planting (e.g. the new Bright's Orchard), 're-wilding' gardens and verges (e.g. MHHL wild flower verge initiative), protecting our woods (Portal Woods group), protecting our SSSI (Martlesham Conservation Group). Consider putting this under the 'WildEast' banner targeting 20% of land including gardens to be 're-wilded'.
- Run a Martlesham Repair café.
- Embrace the 'Plastic Action Champion' initiative from East Suffolk Council by appointing champions in the parish (links to litter picking activities around the parish).
- Lobby local and national politicians for better public transport and cycle lanes.
- Pledge not to use peat in compost, reduce/stop flying, use the bus for that shopping trip rather than jump in the car.

If you are interested in getting involved in one or more of these areas (e.g. sharing your experiences of reducing your carbon emissions, becoming a 'Plastic Action Champion', help create a 'Wild East Martlesham' building on current conservation projects), please contact us at: martleshamclimateaction@btinternet.com.

Our meetings are on Zoom with the next one scheduled for November 9th at 19.30. We are also planning to arrange a special Parish meeting on Climate Change soon.

*Dave Green/Paul Whitby (co-chairs
Martlesham Climate Action)*

MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP

The hot weather of the summer seems a dim distant memory as it has given way to much wetter weather so far this autumn. Most of the butterfly species have disappeared but there were still a few that could be seen at the beginning of October such as Red Admiral and Peacock. Indeed some butterfly species over-winter in the adult stage and take up residence in our sheds and garages, hoping to find the necessary shelter and humidity to keep going until they can re-emerge in the spring. Our birdlife has changed, most of the summer migrants that came to us from Africa should have got well on their way. However we have had some migrants drop in on passage. The Ring Ouzel breeds further north on the moors and mountains of Northern England, Scotland and Wales but sometimes passes through here on its way to warmer regions such as northern and southern Africa or the Middle East where it spends the winter. One dropped into my garden for a short stay in early October and proceeded to fill up on berries

from a Cotoneaster plant in a hedge in my garden. It was pretty selective, trying some berries before rejecting them, and presumably only eating the most nutritious berries. It was also pretty cautious, disappearing deeply into the hedge if it heard or sensed a dog passing by. Hopefully its survival instincts will serve it well on its long journey to its winter residence.

Over the last year we managed to complete a very limited number of surveys but managed to cover birds in the woodland and heath, and butterflies on the heath. The Silver Studded Blue butterflies did not seem to have a good year in comparison with previous years. Unfortunately the trend of recent years seems to be continuing. Fortunately the Silver Studded Blue butterflies were found in several spots but all with very low numbers. On a more positive note Silver Studded Blues were again found on the Common, so the colony which re-established a few years ago seems to be hanging on.

We will discuss the results of our surveys in

more detail as well as other aspects of our local wildlife at our AGM, which we intend to hold online via Zoom in mid November. Please contact me if you would like to attend.

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.

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This was a memorable day in the life of the Heath. There was a lull after the hectic days of the “Battle of Britain”, in which Martlesham Heath had played its part and had been host to many of the outstanding personalities of the conflict.

It was a memorable day because on November 11th 1940, the Italian Air Force mounted an attack against England and Hurricanes from Martlesham were involved in intercepting them.

British Intelligence was aware of the presence of Italian Air Force units operating from airfields formerly occupied by the Luftwaffe. However, little was known until an Italian aviation magazine published the news that an “Italian Expeditionary Force” was established along the Channel coast, with other units operating from Belgium.

“Corps Aerio Italiano”

The force was named as the “Corps Aerio Italiano, (Italian Air Corps) and the estimated strength was between 300 and 400 aircraft including fighters, fighter-reconnaissance, fighter-bombers and bombers. Later, when some of these machines had been shot down, RAF Intelligence were of the opinion that they belonged to the First Air Fleet, from Milan.

The Italian press reported victories over the RAF Hurricanes and Spitfires and also claimed that they had bombed London. At this time no Italian aircraft had been brought down over the mainland and it appears that the extent of their operations consisted of some spying flights in the Dover area, whilst a few were engaged on nuisance flights over Southern England at night.

Martlesham fighters scrambled

On Armistice Day, November 11th 1940, after being inspected by many high-ranking officers, the cream of the Corps Aerio Italiano were briefed to set out on a major strike against the UK. The formation comprised 10 Fiat BR20 twin-engine bombers, which were equivalent to the RAF Whitley, and 40 Fiat CR42 fighters, which were biplanes in the Gloster Gladiator class. Their target was harbour installations at Harwich. Bawdsey and Gt. Bromley radar had detected the force and RAF Fighters from Hornchurch, North Weald and Martlesham were scrambled. No. 257 Squadron from Martlesham claimed 5 BR20's and 2 CR42's destroyed. They also claimed, 1 BR20 and 3 CR42's damaged. No. 46(F) and 245 (F) Squadrons from North



Weald claimed a further 2 BR20's and 3 CR42's as probables.

Flight Lt. Blatchford led 257 Squadron from Martlesham that day as the CO, Sqd.ldr. Stanford-Tuck was off duty. They made rendezvous with 46 Squadron over the North Sea at 12000ft. The aircraft were sighted in a tight “vic” formation surrounded by the fighters. The bombers made for cloud cover but the Hurricanes were in pursuit. One BR20 bomber, whose pilot was probably shot, performed its first and last loop before diving into the sea. Flt.Lt. Blatchford had caught the upper main plane of a CR42 with his propeller. Nevertheless, with a badly vibrating engine he made repeated dummy runs against the other Fiats, which turned and flew back to the Continent. He said afterward that it was the best party he had been to!

One CR42 spiralled and landed on the shingle beach at Orford Ness and was only slightly damaged. This machine can now be seen in the RAF Museum at Hendon. Another CR42 was badly damaged when it landed in a ploughed field at Corton, near Lowestoft. A BR20 bomber was chased inland towards Woodbridge and with a propeller missing, made a forced landing in Tangham forest near the present RAF Woodbridge base.

Champagne, Chianti and cheese

These were the first Tuscan enemies to land on English soil since the Romans, nearly 2000 years ago. A bottle of Champagne, a bottle of Chianti and a 5lb cheese and cheese grater were rescued from the bomber and were much appreciated when they appeared on the menu at the officers mess at Martlesham that evening!

On November 23rd a further force of Italian aircraft attacked a convoy in the North Sea and lost 7 more aircraft. This was the last recorded action by the Italians.

Was this all a costly propaganda stunt? Did Mussolini really believe that the Italian Air Force could do better than the hard-hitting Luftwaffe, with its much more superior aircraft and crews, had failed to do?

Gordon Kinsey

The late Gordon Kinsey was president of Martlesham Heath Aviation Society.

The photo shows pilots of 257 squadron at Martlesham with trophies from an Italian bomber which crashed at Bromeswell. Squadron Leader Stanford Tuck DSO, DFC & two bars. AFC, commanded 257 Sqdn at Martlesham. He is the one without a MaeWest. He was a leading RAF ace of WW2

Martlesham Heath Aviation Society

SERVICE of REMEMBRANCE

Sunday 8th November 2020 - The Barrack Square Martlesham Heath



Sadly, we have had to cancel our ‘Service of Remembrance’ due to the Coronavirus infection. We will of course, place flowers and a wreath during the morning to mark the occasion. If you have a wreath or a floral tribute you wish to lay then please feel free to do so.

This would have been our 38th ‘Service of Remembrance’. Hopefully, this pandemic will abate, allowing us to re-instate our Remembrance Service next year.

MARTLESHAM HEATH SURGERY - PRACTICE AND PATIENT GROUP (PPG)

(Also of interest to patients of The Birches practice in Kesgrave)

In July 2019, I reported on the rumours about Martlesham Heath surgery closing with GP services being run from The Birches practice in Kesgrave. We invited the local Clinical Commissioning Group to a PPG meeting to explain to us what impact they expected the new housing developments to have on the future of primary care. They told us that any decisions were many years off being decided, but that various options were being considered. This summer, the same rumours are out there, so this is to explain our current understanding.

In 2018/19, both the Martlesham Heath practice and The Birches joined a consortium of 13 GP practices across Suffolk called Suffolk Primary Care (SPC). The consortium describes itself as "An innovative new partnership with like-minded Suffolk GP surgeries covering 130,000 patients. The collaboration will see doctors and other practice staff sharing resources and working together to ensure patients continue to receive high quality healthcare." The way this consortium operates is that there is a management board and some back-office functions have been centralised, including management of the website, but each practice continues to operate independently within the overall structure. Since the Martlesham and Kesgrave surgeries are located near each other, a closer collaboration has evolved between the two and this was particularly necessary during the lockdown, when one operated as a Covid site and the other as a non-Covid site. We also now share a practice manager who works half the week at each location.

We are very grateful to Paul Brown, CEO of SPC for attending our last two PPG meetings, as we remain concerned about the future of our practice in relation to the future housing developments. He advised us that closer

collaboration between Martlesham and Kesgrave practices will continue, but no decisions have been made on longer-term arrangements. The options we heard before are still there. These include:

- retaining both practices to cater for increasing demand
- looking at options to expand one or both premises
- creating a single larger practice on one site, not necessarily an existing site.

From what we heard from the CCG and again recently, it seems very unlikely that a brand new medical centre will be built at Brightwell Lakes, as it would be more cost effective to build up the existing practices. However, we can't say for certain that won't ever happen.

Right now, we have been assured that there are no plans to close Martlesham Heath surgery, the Birches practice in Kesgrave is not taking over or amalgamating with the Martlesham Heath surgery, but the two practices are working together more closely in order to share resources when that is helpful. We don't yet know how this situation will evolve over the next 3-5 years. On behalf of all our patients, we will maintain an active interest and participate in discussions about this and will let you know when we know anything more definite.

In the light of closer collaboration, I am now in touch with my opposite number at The Birches and have agreed that we will share information and maybe collaborate on projects where this would save duplication of effort.

We are planning to conduct a patient survey and next month (hopefully) you will be invited to give us feedback on various communication methods for patients. Although the survey will be conducted together, the results will be analysed separately, so each practice will see the results for their patients. Our PPG is leading on this project.

If you have any questions for our PPG, please contact me at MartPPG@gmx.co.uk.

Chair Martlesham PPG

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If you would like to attend one of our online meetings please contact Adam Green, who will send you an invite.

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Speak Easy is a community club, open to anyone 18 years or over.

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Adam Green: adamdcgreen@gmail.com
or www.speak-easy.org.uk
or find us on Facebook: Speak Easy Martlesham

IT'S U3A EAST SUFFOLK BUT NOT AS WE KNOW IT!

Lockdown and restrictions on gathering have meant huge shifts in our lives, affecting most parts of society. Many people find themselves isolated, dependent on friends and relatives for both practical and emotional support. And so it has been for members of East Suffolk U3A.

Thankfully, U3A East Suffolk committee members and group leaders are a resilient and inventive bunch. They've been working hard to keep activities and conversations going – despite face to face meetings being difficult.

Outdoor activities have been easier to accommodate during the summer months. Other interest groups have been able to adapt – working within government guidelines of course – to meet al fresco or to gather in smaller numbers.

Face to face interactions, in some cases, have gone online. While it may be far from ideal, it has enabled some discussion groups, learning groups and indoor activities to continue. For example, Current Affairs are discussed online using Zoom, the same platform is used by the Shakespeare Beginners and by the Culture Vultures who discuss art, books, sculpture and science in a regular monthly format.

U3A is aimed at older people who want to get as much as possible out of life, even in difficult circumstances. There are no entry qualifications, no barriers to joining and lots of activities to get involved in. New members are welcome.

If you are interested, then please visit the website and make contact with the appropriate group leader to find out how U3A membership can help you keep in touch with others, find new interests and friends and learn fresh skills.

Details of membership are available on: www.a3aeastsuffolk.org.uk or call the membership secretary on 0300 123 3913.



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At our last OFSTED inspection, the inspection team judged every area possible to be Outstanding. This follows over a decade of staff diligence and commitment in shaping and refining our curriculum offer:

"Pupils are taught a highly stimulating curriculum which is both broad and balanced. They have many and varied opportunities to study and hone their skills. The learning environment in lessons enables pupils to thrive and develop into self assured, confident individuals. Pupils have exceptionally positive attitudes to learning. They take huge pride in their work and are keen to show their successes both inside and outside of school" (OFSTED October 2016).

- Outcomes for pupils are excellent. Pupils enter the school in Reception with broadly average achievement. As a result of the outstanding Quality of Education, pupils exit Birchwood with achievement above that of their peers nationally. Often, significantly above in terms of both progress and attainment. Impact is far greater than simply test results. Birchwood is one of only 2 school DEFRA approved egg production units in the UK! The children record daily egg production, label and market the eggs, produce weekly spreadsheets on profit v outgoings, order food and materials and care for the flock. This gives them first hand business 'life experience,' before transferring to Secondary school.

- We offer an extensive range of additional clubs, activities and support and extension programmes for children to participate in and our staff team constantly research and embrace new initiatives.

Our vision statement underpins all that we do.

"Passionate about learning."

If you would like to find out more about our school or arrange a visit, please contact the office

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Virtual AGM

Martlesham Heath Pavilion
Management Committee

8pm, Tuesday, 1st December, 2020

On line via 'Zoom' please email:
chairmphc@gmail.com for joining
details by 4pm 1/12/2020.
All Welcomed

RUNWAY CAFÉ

We have decided to open at 9.00am
on Saturdays (instead of 9.30) in
response to demand

**We now open on Thursdays &
Saturdays between 9.00 and 12.00**

We have carried out a full risk
assessment, and implemented
procedures to ensure that all our
customers and volunteers are kept
safe.

We are still serving the same
delicious Fairtrade coffee, teas and
hot chocolate, and our bakers are
busy making their fantastic cakes and
scones

WOOLLY WONDERS

While guidelines allow we meet in small
groups of 4, socially distanced, thanks to
the Runway Cafe, on Thursdays 10-12 to
knit, crochet, chat and enjoy refreshments
together.

Recently- we managed to raise an amazing
total of £240 for MacMillan simply by eating
cake and holding a small raffle.

MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB

This month I thought it would be interesting
to look back and remember some of the
talks and events we have enjoyed over the
years. At our evening meetings we have
travelled all over the world; to Nepal, Burma
and over New Zealand (flying in an Auster
light plane) to mention a few.

We have learnt to make jewellery, fold paper
napkins for parties, make artificial flowers,
make birthday cards and paint pots and
Christmas tree decorations (the more artistic
members made Christmas presents)

Several talks have taught us a lot about
history – the Great War, St. Audrys Hospital
Melton, Historic Churches and Graveyards,
postage stamps, the Mary Rose and pub
signs. Our attention has been drawn to
things we might not have otherwise noticed.

DEBEN ROTARY

As promised last month our **ZOOM fun Quiz** is up
and running and tickets will be on sale on our
website. At £10 per screen and a prize of £100 to
be donated to the winners chosen charity we look
forward to many of you taking part on **Friday 20
November at 7.00pm**

We meet via ZOOM fortnightly on a Monday evening
at 7.00pm. We have two very interesting talks,
Monday 2 November, Tools With A Mission a pro-
ject that collects, refurbishes and sends surplus
tools to third world countries, and Monday 16
November, Gerry Dunleavy will be talking about

Members have brought back fond memories
of their childhood in more innocent times,
living at Newbourne land settlement and
working as a Red Coat at Butlins in the 50s
and 60s.

Animals have often featured (and attended)
our meetings, We have had visits from
sniffer dogs, guide dogs, search and rescue
dogs and a shepherdess with two lambs
which we could nurse. One of our members
is profoundly deaf and comes with her
hearing dog (our only male member) and she
told us how he helps her every day.

Talks of general interest included the work of
the Hospital Chaplin, fire safety in the home,
St. Elizabeth Hospice shop and how to avoid
scams.

On other evenings we have enjoyed quizzes
and beetle drives with bring and share
suppers, Christmas parties, Harvest suppers,
fashion shows and fish and chips.

During the summer we have gone on coach
trips to garden centres, a water mill, mystery
tours and other places of interest.

Life is never dull with the Martlesham Ladies
and we hope we will soon be able to 'Meet
Again'. Keep safe and well.

For more information phone Doreen Boar
01473 622768.

The Landguard Fort Felixstowe. No charge for
accessing via ZOOM, just email us via our web
page for details.

We have all read about the plight of children who,
through no fault of their own, could well be living in
hostels over Christmas, We have joined Rotary
Clubs throughout Britain providing funds to ensure
each child receives a handsome parcel of appro-
priate toys for Christmas. We thank all those who
support our activities so we can have the funds to
support these fantastic projects.

www.debenrotary.org.uk or our Facebook page
www.facebook.com/DebenRotaryClub/

DEBEN ROTARY – SLEIGH RUN 2020

Deben Rotary Club will be bringing Santa on his
sleigh to Martlesham Heath, Woodbridge &
Melton again this year. We are finalizing our
plans to collect your donations allowable under
the present Covid-19 regulations. This article
has been written on the 3rd. October, so if there
are any changes to the regulations, we will
advertise these extensively, but bear with us we
will do the best we can. These may preclude us
from collecting door to door, but we will do
everything we can to at least drive Santa
around.

By the end of October our UpToDate plans will
be on our web page, which you can access via
www.debenrotary.org.uk, or from the QR code
on our posters. This will be updated if situations
change All runs are subject to weather
conditions.

All in the Rotary movement hope you have a
very happy Christmas and much better New
Year.

Martlesham Heath

Tuesday 1st. DECEMBER 2020
Birch Grove, York Road, Lancaster Drive,
Coopers Road, Avocet Lane, Swan Close,
Lark Rise, Burgess Place.

Wednesday 2nd. DECEMBER 2020
Forest Lane, Harvesters Way, Pine Bank,
Holly End, The Oaks, Heathfield,
Heathfield Mews, Heather and Digby Close,
Mayfield and Mayfield Lane.

Thursday 3rd. DECEMBER 2020
Squires Lane, Park Place, Peel Yard,
Demesne Gardens, The Grove, Parkers Place,
Westlands, Warren Lane, Broomfield and
Whinfield and their Mews's

Friday 11th. DECEMBER 2020
Farriers Close, Stable Court, Hunters Ride,
The Chase, DeBrink on the green, Valiant Way,
Saddlers Place, Carlford Close, Manor Road.

Woodbridge

Saturday 12th. December 2020
Street Collection The Thoroughfare
10a.m. to 2.30p.m. Santa will park the Sleigh in
the lay by outside the H.S.B.C. Bank and collect
between Brook Street and the entrance to the
Turban Centre.

Martlesham

Wednesday 16th. December 2020
Blacktiles Lane, Carol Avenue, Angela Close,
Chandos Drive and Close, Ravens Way,
Green Lane, Buckingham Close, Alban Square.
Crown Close, Viking Heights/Close.

All money collected is for the Deben Rotary
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01394 382419, 07747 610894,
ianmeadhome@btconnect.com.

FOOD POP UP SHOP

It has been great to welcome people back to St Michael's to make use of the Pop Up Shop. Which is open on the 2nd Sunday of each month.

The next one will be held at St Michael's, Martlesham Heath, next to the Green, on Sunday 11 October from 1-2pm.

Unfortunately we are, currently not allowed to serve refreshments and there will be a one-way system in operation. You will come in at the main door and leave via one of the fire doors onto the Green. *Please note, you must wear a facemask to make use of the Pop Up Shop.*

If you see the banner on the front of the church, you know we'll be open on Sunday. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Rev Margaret Rittman.

THE WONDERS OF CREATION

Did you watch any of the meteor showers this year? I love them! The first one I ever saw was on holiday in Dorset. The sky was black, the stars were bright and suddenly, for split seconds at a time, shooting stars flashed across the starry sky! It reminded me of the words of Psalm 8

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,⁴ what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?

But then, suddenly, amongst the millions of stars a tiny light travelled constantly across the night sky. The space station! Amazing that mankind had built this tiny vehicle to plot the universe and circle our beautiful planet. But where did that technology come from? It suddenly occurred to me that this knowledge was not new. It has always been there, from the beginning of time. God has always known how to create bodies that move across the sky, and gradually, over thousands of years, mankind is also learning the beauty of these secrets within creation.

I wonder what we'll learn next?

Rev Margaret Rittman

Martlesham with Brightwell



MARTLESHAM COMMUNITY HALL

WE'RE BACK AND ONLINE!

We were very pleased to reopen the Community Hall and Richards Room on Tuesday 1 September as a 'COVID-19 Secure' location, primarily for our regular hirers.

We were also pleased to launch our first

website a few weeks ago - mchall.org.uk. You can now find out about our facilities, check hire rates, check availability and make a booking request - all online. There's also a Regular Hirers page, where you can see who's active again.

You can send us general messages via the website and still call us on 01473 623203 if you prefer.

We're not taking bookings for parties and other social events for now. However you can make a booking request for an event or activity currently allowed within the government's coronavirus restrictions - the website has more guidance and details.

Perhaps you're a local business or organisation who needs a large meeting space to get together with colleagues? The Community Hall can hold up to 30 people and the Richards Room 15 people with social distancing, for activities where more than six people are allowed to meet.

As with everything at present, the situation could change rapidly. We'll update the website with any significant changes and contact individual hirers if changes affect them.

We look forward to hearing from you!

**Martlesham Community Hall
Management Committee**

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

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

You can check availability and book the Pavilion online at:

martlesham.org.uk/pavilion

Alternatively, please contact the booking secretary:

**email: bookingsecmhp@gmail.com
phone: 07732 199712**

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 (please speak slowly and repeat the number)

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Services for the Month	Martlesham Heath St Michael's	Martlesham St Mary's	Online
Sunday 1st November	10am All Age Service Holy Communion		10am All Age Holy Communion 5pm Zoom After Hours
Monday 2nd November			6.30pm Dearly Departed Service
Sunday 8th November	6.30pm Evening Worship	10am All Age Service Holy Communion	2pm All Age Service Holy Communion
Sunday 15th November			10am Family Zoom 7pm Zoom Reflecting with God
Sunday 22nd November		10am God's Family@Church	2pm God's Family@Church
Sunday 29th November	10am All Age Service Holy Communion		10am All Age Service Holy Communion

Midweek Services Wednesday 4th, 11th, 25th—10am Morning Prayer on Facebook and YouTube
Wednesday 18th—10am Holy Communion at St Michael's and on Facebook and YouTube

**A warm welcome awaits you at all our services at St Mary's and St Michael's and online.
It would be helpful if you could contact Toby by the Saturday before for Zoom codes & if you are planning to come.
In the event of further Covid-19 restrictions find up to date service information on our Facebook page.**

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

November

- 5 Those imprisoned for their beliefs
- 6 Those who have not been able to see family recently
- 7 Businesses struggling due to Covid
- 8 All affected by war, now and in the past
- 9 All students anxious about school for whatever reason
- 10 Musicians who are no longer able to make music together
- 11 The residents of Thirling Court
- 12 Those who are the victims of intimidation and bullying
- 13 Give thanks for all who work in farming in this country
- 14 Those who are unable to enjoy the outdoors
- 15 Those who are anxious about money and debt
- 16 Those working in community healthcare & General Practice
- 17 Charities who are finding they have reduced funds
- 18 The residents of Three Stiles Lane
- 19 That the people working in our local schools are kept safe
- 20 All who work at sea in dangerous conditions
- 21 For those anxious about their job security
- 22 For those feeling concerned about their finances in the run up to Christmas

- 23 Give thanks for those working in educational settings
- 24 All those who feel lonely and isolated, that they might find companionship
- 25 The residents of Top Street
- 26 Those who have to rely on foodbanks such as FIND
- 27 The relationships we have with those who live in others countries
- 28 For all who have lost their jobs in tourism and travel
- 29 Give thanks that God sent Jesus to live among us
- 30 May we all be encouraged to share what we can with others

December

- 1 For the safety of those travelling the roads in the dark mornings and evenings
- 2 Give thanks for the warmth and light of our homes
- 3 All those who mourn the loss of a loved one, recently or in the past
- 4 For the safety & happiness of all the children in our local schools



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