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THIS MONTH'S PHOTOGRAPH

Martlesham's Control Tower is on the front page this month.

The museum is open for the summer, every Sunday, until the end of October, Inside this month we have an article about "B" Flight where all pre-war airliners and bombers such as the Blenheim and the Wellington were evaluated.

"B" Flight is now the site of the new Wickes store

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Martlesham Holiday at Home 2018

It's June and Martlesham Holiday at Home 2018 is taking place from Monday 11th to Sunday 17th June. Holiday at Home is a holiday with a difference; a week of activities organised specially for the over 55's who live in Martlesham and the surrounding areas. An interesting programme has been arranged to include entertainments and outings plus lots of tea and cake. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet others and you are welcome to come to just one event or as many as interest you.

It's not too late to book; programmes and booking forms are available in the foyer of St Michael's Church, the Runway Café or Duncan's Martlesham Heath and at Martlesham Post Office, Blacktiles Lane, Martlesham.

Alternatively contact Hazel on 07896 728332.



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Redwold Close: 1.55–2.10pm
Falcon Mobile Home Park: 2.20–2.50pm
Douglas Bader: 3.00–4.30pm
12 June, 10 July, 7 August

Thursdays:
Douglas Bader: 10.15–11.45am
28 June, 26 July, 23 August

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MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Still Seeking a Parish Councillor

- Are you over 18?
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Martlesham Parish Council has many functions and powers which can affect the quality of life of your community. We look after open spaces, footpaths, play areas, bus shelters, litter and dog dirt bins; organise practical working parties; respond to planning applications and consultations; liaise with the principal authorities to raise matters of local concern such as traffic issues & getting about the Martlesham Retail Park, and work with local organisations. Don't worry you don't have to get involved in everything or be an expert.

If you think you could be a councillor, please contact the Clerk for more information and also to check whether you are eligible. Please come along to a meeting and find out what we're like - we'd love to meet you!

Martlesham Neighbourhood Plan (NP) Referendum

We hope that many of you turned out to vote and thank you very much if you did! At the time of writing the Referendum has not yet taken place so, if you are not yet aware of the result, please check our website.

Sports Fund Project (Money to Play With) Update

Thank you to all those who replied to our questionnaire on what facilities you would like to see in Martlesham.

There was good support for all the options we suggested but on the basis of the response received we are planning to try and provide a trim trail first as that was the most popular choice. We are not ruling out a Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) or pump track as there are likely to be remaining funds, but the small working group feels that it can

only manage one project at present. Anyone wishing to help us with our projects would be welcome to join us particularly if they have skills in, or are an active user of, any of the facilities proposed.

The next steps for us now are to review and agree the proposed route of the trim trail and identify the exercise stations before we approach suppliers. We will need to gain agreement from landowners before we can proceed but we are hopeful that they will co-operate. Updates will be provided once we have made more progress on this. Meanwhile if you would like to help us please contact the Clerk.

Use of Bottle Banks

The bottle banks for recycling glass in Martlesham are:

- Martlesham Recreation Ground, The Street, Martlesham IP12 4RF
- Tesco, Anson Road, Martlesham Heath IP5 3RU
- The Square, Martlesham Heath IP5 3SL

These bottle banks are well used, which is welcomed, but sometimes there are problems with broken glass & litter on the ground around them and noise disturbance at night for local residents. Please do not leave any litter behind you. Please do not leave bottles beside full banks as they will not necessarily be collected and can be a

source of danger (especially near play equipment) and also attract anti-social behaviour. Each bin can be used for mixed glass so there is no need to distinguish between the colours; this is likely to prevent some banks being overfull whilst others have spare capacity. Please restrict use of the banks to a sociable time of day to avoid disturbing neighbours. Any problems with the bottle banks can be reported to Suffolk Coastal Norse via customerservices@eastssuffolk.gov.uk or 01394 383789.

Forthcoming meetings:

Parish Council - Wednesday 06 June 2018
Development Plans Committee - Wednesday 13 June 2018

Parish Council meeting - Wednesday 04 July 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

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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.

MARTLESHAM ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 25TH APRIL 2018

A well attended meeting learnt of the parish council's work and support for the Martlesham community. Highlights of the work included:

- Completing the neighbourhood Plan and defining some of the problems which need tackling to improve the attractiveness of Martlesham such as traffic congestion in the retail areas
- Recognising the Common as a Local Nature Reserve
- Establishing a working group to bring us a village fete
- Representing the views of residents to developers, including the site around Adastral Park
- Dealing with anti-social behaviour in the Community Hall car park

Cheques were presented to the following who represented groups that look after our environment and fellow residents: The Conservation Group, Saplings Nursery, The Greenways Project and Martlesham in Bloom.

Local organisations should check in the monthly magazines for details of when the next round of applications for grants opens in September.

Mr. Ian O'Brien Baker was presented with a clock and certificate to mark his fifty years as a parish councillor (see separate article).

A full report of the parish council's activities and finances will be published shortly in the Martlesham Monthly. This will concentrate on the threefold role of the parish council, firstly providing facilities for residents including those for recreation and play, secondly representing the interests of residents in planning and consultation activities and thirdly supporting local organisations.

Meanwhile look on our website for details of council activities: <http://martlesham.onesuffolk.net/>

Grant recipients 2018



The Chairman thanked all those who volunteer to assist the parish council and all the other organisations which make Martlesham such a great place in which to live.

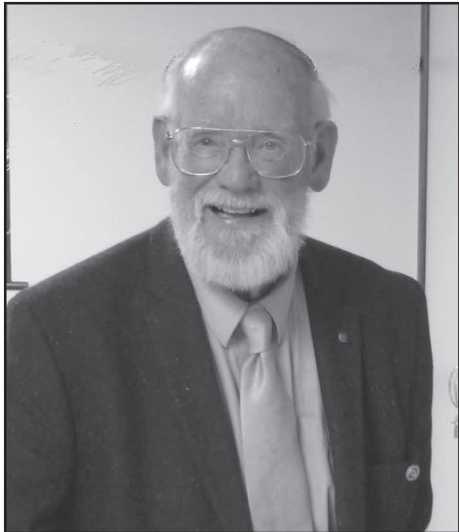
The evening concluded with refreshments and an opportunity to mix with neighbours and the representatives of the groups which were given grants.

Mike Irwin, Martlesham Parish Council Chairman

Martlesham Common Local Nature Reserve Open Day - Saturday 1st September 2018

A free family event to promote the varied and important wildlife of this valuable heathland, with wildlife walks, fun activities, 'wildlife homes' building and more. Led by the Greenways Countryside Project. Parking at Martlesham Community Centre, Felixstowe Road, adjacent to the site.

More information in following months.



Michael Ian O'Brien Baker (known as Ian) celebrates 50 years as a Parish Councillor from May 1968 – May 2018

At its Annual Parish Meeting on Wednesday 25th May 2018 Martlesham Parish Council presented an engraved clock to Ian as a token of appreciation of his work for the parish over 50 years. He also received a certificate from the Suffolk Association of Local Councils.

In 1968 Michael Ian O'Brien Baker, known as Ian, became a Martlesham Parish Councillor at the age of 25. A post he still carries out with distinction today.

In 1971 he became Council Chairman at the tender age of 28 and served until 1979.

He has always taken a very active role on the council and he is closely associated with much that we see today. His highlights include:

- Attending the opening of the BT Research Labs and having lunch with the Queen;
- The development of the A12 and a land swap maintaining the substantial Common that we have today;
- Involvement in the planning and development stages of Martlesham Heath and the growth of the integrated community we have today;
- Council agent for the purchase of Kronji's Piece, land added to the Recreation Ground in Martlesham.

Ian continues to undertake an active role on the Council:

- Always available to give advice and support on land maintenance and horticultural matters, from his vast stock of professional knowledge;
- Vast amount of background and historical knowledge which can inform current decision making;
- Play area inspector – Kronji's Piece;
- Site inspections of the Recreation Ground;
- Regular checks of the automatic barrier at the Community Hall car park.

Ian has also made a wider contribution to society:

- He contributed to the project which established the Martlesham Community Hall. He continues to be Chairman of the Martlesham Community Hall Management Committee;
- He is a respected member of the local business community;
- For many years he has been very actively involved in the Company of Four theatre company;
- He is an active member of Woodbridge Deben Rotary Club.

He is wished many more fruitful years!

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The football pitch opposite Gorseland School is no longer being maintained as a pitch and the broken fencing will be removed. We will be looking into the future use of this area.

There are still a small number of members that have not yet paid their membership fee. This is not acceptable, and we will be taking action to recover monies owed over the next few months. Your co-operation in paying the outstanding balance promptly would be appreciated. If you are in a rented accommodation would you kindly pass on any reminders onto the landlord(s) or their Agent.

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

CHRIS BLUNDELL'S DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT FOR JUNE 2018

East Suffolk. The two district councils of Suffolk Coastal and Waveney submitted their joint proposals for a revised warding pattern for the combined two districts that had been agreed by the two councils on 30th April 2018 to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) on 4th May 2018. They may accept our proposals or seek to make further amendments.

Because of the re-warding pattern many of the proposed new wards have been re-named. In the latest proposals the Martlesham Ward (current voter population 5551) has been expanded to include: Purdis Farm (1888), Brightwell (46), Foxhall (249) and Waldringfield (405). This will give us a total voter population of over 8,100 persons thus making it probably the largest ward by population in the whole of the proposed new East Suffolk District. The proposed new name for this Ward is recommended as '**Martlesham and Purdis Farm**'. At the present time the new population growth at Brightwell Lakes in time for the 2023 elections can only be estimated.

The current timetable of events shows that by 3rd July 2018 LGBCE will publish their proposals on the warding pattern of the new area for consultation. That consultation will close on 27th August 2018. On 23rd October 2018 the LGBCE will publish their final recommendations and will table their review proposals to Parliament in January 2019 for approval in time for the local elections in May 2019.

On a personal note, my term of office as chairman of SCDC will have concluded by the time you read this. I have enjoyed the work and would like to say thank you for all the support that I have received during that time. It has been a pleasure to serve.

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@eastsoffolk.gov.uk

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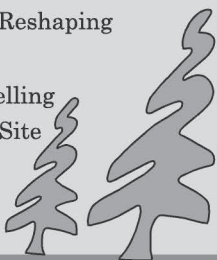
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HEDGEHOG NURSERY AT GORSELAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

How is it already the Summer Term?! The year has flown by and we are already planning sports day and transition events.



This half term, we have been exploring the life cycles of frogs and butterflies, linking to our minibeast topic. We have all enjoyed watching tadpoles grow and change into small frogs - a huge thank you to Mrs. Catchpole for setting this up for us. We have also had 5 hungry caterpillars in Nursery to observe too. The children eagerly waited for them to change into butterflies but were sad to say goodbye to them.

We decided to move our topic on to Dinosaurs next as we had a number of children showing a keen interest in making dinosaurs using various resources. The children brought in books from home, were fascinated by our frozen dinosaur eggs, measured footprints and lots more!

Mrs. J. Florey
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 AND KESGRAVE PLAYGROUP



Thank you to Kesgrave High School sixth form students and their teachers who have helped us revamp our website – www.mandkplayschools.co.uk, the end result looks amazing!

Come and join us at our Summer Fair on Saturday June 30th from 1-4pm at the Millennium Field, Kesgrave. We have the whoopee dipper, bouncy castle sponsored by Bates, Wells & Braithwaite, BBQ, cakes, ice creams and

refreshments, mini golf, lots of pocket money games, plus our raffle sponsored by Haart – come and find out all about us and have a great afternoon.

The children have been learning about tadpoles this half term, looking after them and watching them grow. We have introduced our sound of the week to encourage all ages to explore and learn different sounds. We have improved our mud kitchen area and the children can play freely whatever the weather.

Thank you to all our parents for supporting our sponsored bounce, we have raised a fantastic £386.

We were very pleased to come 2nd place in the Tesco bags for life scheme, we will be using the money to enhance our garden area and providing the children with lots of exciting new resources. A huge thank you to Tesco for their support.

We can offer you term time or all year round spaces. Spaces are available from September for 15 and 30 hours of funded childcare, 2 year funded, and non-funded sessions.

Call Martlesham on 01473 625986, visit our facebook page Martlesham and Kesgrave Playschools or website for more details.

KESGRAVE LIBRARY NEWS

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

Sunday 3rd – The sun is out and it's time to go to the beach. Create a colourful paper plate fish;

Sunday 10th – On Sunday 17th June it's Father's Day. Pop along and make a 'You're The Coolest Dad' card for next week;

Sunday 17th – The 21st of June is the longest day. Design a sun and moon mosaic;

Sunday 24th – This year the World Cup is being held in Russia. Pop along and join us as we make football crafts.

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

Free BookStart Sessions – every Thursday including all School Holidays. These are free activities for pre-school children and their parents or carers. Why not come along and join Abby every Thursday for songs, rhymes and stories?

Tot Rock - action rhymes, songs and stories for toddlers - 9.45am – 10.15 am.

BabyBounce – songs and rhymes for babies – 10.30am – 11.00am.

Free Story Time Sessions – every Friday 9.45 – 10.15 a.m. including School holidays. This session combines stories and rhymes. Why not pop along?

Other Library Events for June 2018

Lego Club Re-Launch - Every Tuesday afternoon (Term Time) 3.45 – 4.45 p.m. We now have a volunteer who will lead this activity and each week will be a different theme. What will you design? Parents must stay with under 8s. 05/06 Boats, 12/06 Space Ships, 19/06 Castles and 26/06 Animals.

If you are interested in joining any of the groups, please ring or speak to a member of staff.

Volunteers Needed! Summer Reading Challenge - Are you interested in volunteering to help the staff at Kesgrave Library run this year's Summer Reading Challenge? The theme this year is called Mischief Makers. The challenge runs all through the summer holidays for primary school aged children. If you are interested, please speak to a member of staff who will explain what the reading challenge entails and the process involved to become a volunteer.

Additional Opening Hours - After conducting an extensive consultation with our customers in April, Kesgrave Library's opening hours will be increasing.

From Monday 2nd July, the library will be open every Monday morning 9.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon and every Friday afternoon from 2.30 – 6.00 p.m.

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If so, come along to Bright Stars with your parents, grandparents, friends, family and/or carers. These mornings are free and usually involve singing, games, making crafts to take home and telling stories from the Bible for the first half hour. We then have refreshments when the adults can chat and the children can play until approximately 12noon.

This term so far has included hearing stories, making a mirror to see ourselves in, singing songs with lots of actions and enjoying playing percussion instruments!

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!

The remaining Summer Term 2018 session dates are: **(Please note revised dates)**

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You can catch the Main Band at Ipswich Music Day on 1st July, and

Martlesham Brass are looking forward to taking part in Martlesham Village Fete on 14th July - more details about this next month.

We would love to hear from new players, young and old, with or without experience. Our aim is to encourage anyone who feels they would like to play in a brass band to come and have a go!

If you would like to join us, or if you already play or have previously played a brass instrument and would like to come along and meet us, please contact us via the website or use the contact details below.

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Scouting in Martlesham Needs You!

We currently have a long waiting list for young people wanting to start in Beavers. We are asking if there is anyone willing, to help start a 2nd Beaver Colony at Martlesham Heath. It would be a commitment of a couple of hours per week during term time, with lots of help and support from existing leaders and a comprehensive training programme, you will be supported at every step. Beavers are boys and girls aged 6-8 years old and currently meet 5.45-6.45pm. Could you be the person we are looking for? please contact us at "martleshamscoutswaitinglist@outlook.com".

We also have spaces available in Cubs and Scouts for boys and girls, aged 8-14 years old. The boys and girls take part in lots of interesting and varied activities to help encourage teamwork, confidence and independence. They recently had a joint night hike and sleepover for children from each section and are looking forward to camping trips, team games and practical projects. We would love to hear from you, if you have a young person, who would like to come along and make new friends. Contact "martleshamscoutswaitinglist@outlook.com"

PORTAL WOODLANDS CONSERVATION GROUP

One early April morning, our young Nature Watchers braved the cold and damp to discover what creatures had been caught in our small mammal traps. These traps had been placed discretely around the woods the night before, giving a chance for the creatures to find the tasty nibbles inside – and inadvertently get themselves shut in! Helped by the older Nature Explorers, the animals were carefully emptied from the traps, weighed and identified as male or female. 4 male and 1 female woodmice, and 1 male bank vole were caught. In addition, the children were mesmerised by 2 harvest mice that had been brought along by Duncan.

The main volunteer work of the month was to build a dead hedge, using as posts the branches from the storm damaged felled tree that had been cut up the month before. The hedge was filled in with all the fallen twigs and branches that had been blown down over the winter, so giving the woods a bit of tidy up. The weather has also taken its toll on the woodland paths, with several areas becoming extremely muddy after rainfall. We plan to restart our laying of chippings on these worst areas, and hope that the regular visitors to the woods will bear with us, as the chippings take a few weeks to 'bed in'. Many thanks to Elite Tree Services for donating the chippings.

Dates for the Diary

Volunteer Work Morning (all ages) Sunday 17th Jun, 10am – Noon.

Meet at the Education Area. Tools, training and light refreshments provided.

All ages welcome - no need to book.

Nature Explorers (11-18 year olds) Saturday 21st July, 9am – 11am.

Please book a place via our email below.

Annual Glow Worm Survey and Bat Walk Friday 29th June. All welcome.

Meet at the Control Tower at 9:15pm, finish around 10:30pm, bring warm clothes and a torch. Subject to weather.

Nature Watch Club (5-11 year olds)

Dates TBA.

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

For further information, please contact us at pwcg.martlesham@gmail.com, phone: 01473 612632 or see our website: pwcg.onesuffolk.net or join our members' Facebook Group by messaging Duncan Sweeting.

Stephen Corley, Chairman

Photo—Dead Hedging by Stephen Corley





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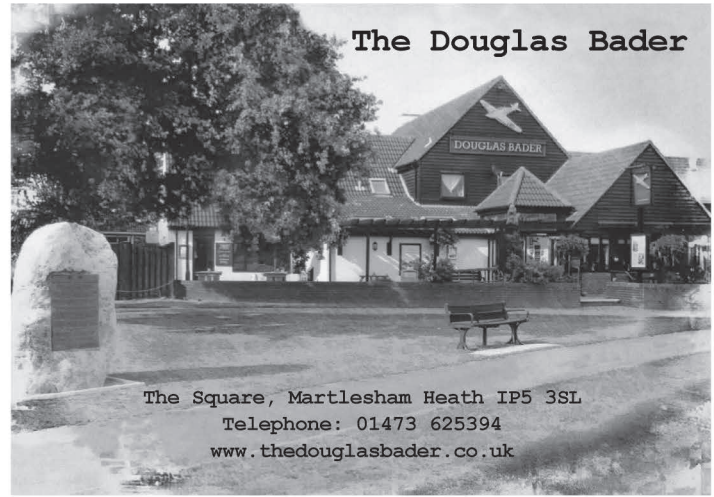
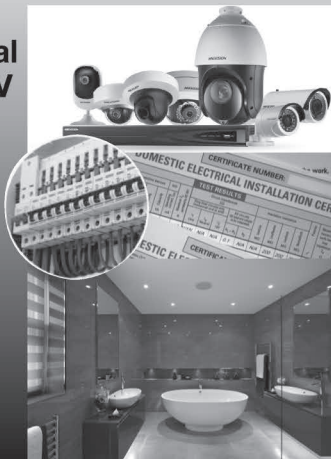


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MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP

The spring seemed to arrive later this year after the colder winter as evidenced by the appearance of migrant song birds such as the Nightingale. However after their late arrival we have a good number of Nightingales out on the heath this year distributed across the SSSI in the thicker more bushy vegetation. Nightingales have a complex and varied song and can get very loud if two adjacent males are competing against each other. They often sing through the night and large parts of the day too. They can usually be heard singing through into early June and then go quiet, so listen out in the first week of June as this could be your last chance to experience this wonderful birdsong until next year. Other migrant birds that have been making their presence heard include the Whitethroat, Lesser Whitethroat and Garden Warbler. Spring butterflies such as the Orange Tip, Holly Blue and Green Hairstreak have also added splashes of colour and dynamism to the landscape. In June these spring butterflies will be succeeded by summer species such as the Meadow Brown, Gatekeeper and various Skippers.

Our work party in June will take place on Sunday 10th June at 10am when we aim to cut bracken and thereby encourage more heather. Please meet out on the heath on the bank that runs east-west.

June should also see the emergence of the adult Silver Studded Blue butterflies on the heath. They could be later in the month, this year based on the late arrival of Spring. These small blue butterflies use heather as their caterpillar food plant but also involve small black ants in their life-cycle. Both need to be present for a successful colony. Later in the month or early in July we will attempt to count these butterflies, please get in touch if you would like to be involved.

Our grateful thanks go to Martlesham Parish Council for supporting us again this year by covering the cost of our insurance.

Phil Smith 01473 625630

THE ROTARY SATELLITE CLUB of Woodbridge Deben would like to invite you to attend its annual charity quiz night and raffle on Saturday 16th June 2018 at the Martlesham Heath Pavilion.

This year the quiz is being held in aid of Suffolk Mind (Registered Charity No 1003061) in support of their Ecotherapy service, a fantastic project which helps promote physical and mental wellbeing through fresh air, gently increasing activity levels and working with others. A representative from the charity will join us on the evening to tell us more about the great work that they are doing and how the money raised will help.

The quiz starts at 7pm. Teams are made up of 4-6 people and tickets are £5 per person. To book your tickets please email Rachel at events@rotaryswd.org

To find out more about the Rotary Satellite Club of Woodbridge Deben please visit our website at www.rotaryswd.org

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MARTLESHAM HEATH COUNTRY MARKET Country Market show time!

Summer means it's a busy time for the Country Marketeers. Suffolk Show is a big one for us, of course, May 31 - June 1, with members from other Country Markets joining in to provide a cornucopia of crafts, baked goodies, herbs, flowers, other plants and garden produce and other delights. Come and find us our cakes are the best value on site, so we are told. Some people have confessed to not taking them home....After that we swing into June's activities, with the Rendlesham Village Show, the 9th June, we'll have our regular tables at Kesgrave monthly community market, the Scout Hall 16 June, and there's the Friday Coffee morning The day before, 15th

Oh come on folks - enjoy the taste of summer! If you have a pollen allergy, did you know that the honey from local bees is believed to suppress your allergic response. A delicious experience awaits. Make afternoon tea a real treat with a jar or two from our selection of various jams and preserves. Adding one (or more) of our home-made chutneys to cold collations can tip a meal into the divine. Keep off the sun with one of Carol's beautifully made gorgeous sun hats - there are even baby sizes for that mini-me look. Choose a new fabric hand-sewn bag, a baby quilt, funny bunting, original artists cards and pretty tiles, a barge painted flower vase, pretty beaded jewellery, knitwear "like granny used to make" crochet delights, and "must touch" wooden bowls, handmade by our talented local Country Marketeers - and all at keen prices.

If you miss the shows - there's plenty to see every Tuesday morning 9.15 - 11.15 in the Martlesham Heath Pavilion. "You're welcome."



MARTLESHAM IN BLOOM

Hanging baskets in The Square and planted containers elsewhere in Martlesham

There will be floral hanging baskets in The Square for the summer and there will be several containers of summer bedding plants in The Square, as well as outside Martlesham Post Office and the Community Hall. We are very grateful to the following who have already given a donation towards the cost of the baskets and containers:-

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Martlesham Common - Wildlife survey of flora and fauna

Now is good time to visit Martlesham Common and see what birds and other flora and fauna are there. Whatever you see on the Common we would be interested to know as part of the ongoing survey of its flora and fauna. This survey has been under way since March last year and already 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.

Martlesham Common is the area of land between the A12, Mill Heath, Felixstowe Road and Tesco and is designated as Local Nature Reserve.

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, or would like to let us know what you have already seen, please contact the Secretary below.

Thank you to all those who have been involved so far and sent us records of what they have seen.

For further information on the above or any Martlesham in Bloom activity please contact:

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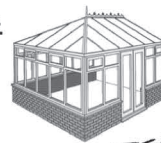
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Our meeting on Friday, 6th April was well attended for a talk given by Debbie Land and Peter Goff. The subject of their illustrated talk was "Time Flies at Old Warden" - the story of the Shuttleworth Collection of vintage aircraft and vehicles.

Debbie related the origins of this world famous collection and during the second half of the evening Peter Goff showed clips of some of the extraordinary aircraft that are kept in flying condition. The earliest example is a Bleriot XI - The same as the one flown across the English Channel by Louis Bleriot in 1909. Other aircraft from the Edwardian period include a 1910 Bristol Boxkite and 1910 Avro Triplane. The Bleriot's flying is restricted to a few feet from the runway but the other Edwardians can obtain a good height on a still day and are an impressive sight in the air. Many other aircraft include several Great War fighters and aircraft from the 20's and 30's, including the original DH Comet 88 which won the Mildenhall to Australia air race in 1934. The latest acquisition is a Mk 5 Spitfire which flew a few weeks ago after extensive restoration in the workshops.

Our meeting on 1st June is the meeting which was scheduled for the first Friday in March, but was cancelled due to an unwelcome visit by the Beast From The East.

The subject is, "A Joy of Flying - And a Few Errors of Judgement." Anthony Preston has held a pilots licence for 65 years and has flown everything from light aircraft to jets and has been an aerobatic pilot.

Meetings are held at the Community Hall, Felixstowe Road, IP12 4PB and start at 7.30pm. Non-members are welcome for a payment of just £4 at the door.

Alan Powell 01473 622458. www.mhas.org.uk.

Our Control Tower Museum is open every Sunday afternoons 2 - 5pm until the end of October. Behind Parkers Place, off Eagle Way Martlesham Heath, IP5 3UX. More information on our website. Free entry - donations appreciated.

MARTLESHAM BOWLS CLUB

We got off to a good start with fine weather and a presentation of a certificate by Chris Blundell to commemorate the Bowls Club's completion of the project to lay on our own electric and water supply. This could not have been done without the help of Grants from Chris Blundell's enabling budget, from SCDC exemplar enabling fund and a donation from SCC Councillor Patricia O'Brien's locality budget. We would also like to thank the Parish Council and Recreation Committee for their help and cooperation in this project.

Our second week saw some matches being rained off but luckily things have improved and the season is well under way with matches being played both at home and away. If you think you would like to give bowls a try you are welcome to turn up on a Thursday afternoon when we have a friendly role up and coaching is available. Alternatively, information is available on our website www.martleshambowls.com or you could contact the secretary via email at mary.drake@talktalk.net or telephone 01473 622598

MARTLESHAM CARPET BOWLS.

We have had a disastrous start to the Summer league losing to Knodishall 2 - 8 but one of the games was lost on the last end and it could so easily have been 4 - 6 !!

We have 1 more home game and then several away matches to follow. Two friendlies and a Cup game will complete the Summer Season

A well attended AGM at the beginning of May 29 members were available ,several sadly on holiday otherwise it would have been possibly a bumper turn out. Several changes to the running of sessions were carried,A copy of the minutes are on the Notice Board.

The Cups were awarded to the Winners of all the Club Competitions. We have a new Club Champion Vic Harrup beat Anne Bengier and the new fours Champions are Susan Golding,Brian Williams Judith Longman and Sharon Clarke who beat Gloria Damelow Bob Wellington and Vic Harrup. Some new names to put on the Trophies.

Judith Longman

MARTLESHAM HISTORY SOCIETY - Monday 11th June 2018

Behind the counter - Ipswich shops in their heyday - Roger Kennell

Roger explores the shopping experience in Ipswich in the 20th Century concentrating especially on the two major department stores - Footman Pretty and Frederic Corder. Mention will also be made of some other long established and remembered shops including Edwards, Grimwade's, Croydon's, Masons and the Ancient House among others.

All meetings are held in the Pavilion, Martlesham Heath, and commence at 7.30pm. Admission fee is £2.50 and meetings are open to all.

MARTLESHAM VILLAGE FETE

SATURDAY 14TH JULY 2018

Welcome to our June update; only a few weeks to go until the big day! Things are certainly taking shape; from a packed schedule of entertainments on the stage ranging from music to dance, to displays of activities carried out in Martlesham. There will also be plenty of games and activities to get involved in, so it promises to be a day of fun for all ages and interests.

We will have local crafts, artisan produce and artwork to admire, as well as purchase. Local charities and groups will have a big presence, giving all an opportunity to learn about their activities and support their work. There will also be the chance to win some exciting prizes!

A range of tasty snacks will be available in the church, along with the Runway Café and businesses in The Square; so no-one will go hungry or lack the essential summer ice cream.

The day kicks off at 11am on the Green and continues until 4pm. With our vintage bus providing transport from 'old Martlesham', and the Green being in easy walking distance of houses on the Heath, the fete couldn't be easier to get to. So, put Saturday 14th July in your diary, and we look forward to seeing you there!

If you wish to contact us as a volunteer helper, a potential participant or for any other reason please email mvfete@gmail.com or leave a message at Martlesham Parish Council on 01473 612632.

Alternatively visit Martlesham Parish



Martlesham Ladies Club

COFFEE MORNING

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MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB

We are coming to the end of the season with just two meetings planned for June.

On 7th June Tina Oldfield will give a talk entitled 'Why did Four Old People Trek to Everest?' and our AGM will be held on 21st June.

We will have a break during the summer and recommence on 13th September when Mr Phelen will tell us about the History of St. Audrey's Hospital, Melton.

Please note this date in your diary – SATURDAY 16th JUNE – Our Annual Coffee Morning in aid of our chosen charity. This year we are raising money for G.D.D. (Global Development Delay in Children)

The Coffee Morning will be held at 14, Gayfer Avenue, Kesgrave from 10am to 12 noon. Coffee and Cakes will be available and there will be a Raffle, Tombola and Various Stalls. Do come along and support this worthwhile cause.

All ladies are very welcome at our meetings which are held on alternate Thursday evenings at 7 15pm in the Richards Room. To find out more contact Doreen Boar 01473 622768

GOLDEN GIRLS

We are a group of ladies who live on their own and meet 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 Coffee morning and visit Theatres cinemas etc.

Our Next meeting will be on Thursday 21st June When we will be having Fish and Chips in the Hall after the meeting. Please note this meeting will be a week later than usual as our usual date clashes with the Holiday at Home week.

For more information contact Ann Price on 01473 620832

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST - WOODBIDGE WILDLIFE GROUP

We have two events in June.

On Friday 22nd June at 8.30pm, we have a Stag Beetle Hunt at Fen Meadow, Woodbridge in conjunction with Friends of Fen Meadow. Please park at OS Grid reference TM 264 487 and walk along cemetery fence to Fen Meadow Gate. Contacts 01394 382969 or 01394 387433. There is no charge for admission, donations are very welcome.

On Friday 29th June at 9.15pm, we have an evening walk for Nightjars and Glow worms at Blaxhall Heath and Common. Please park at Sandgalls car park OS Grid reference TM 382 559. Contacts 01473 625630 or 01394 411237. There is no charge for admission, donations are very welcome.

Phil Smith

DEBEN ROTARY COMMUNITY AWARD

The Rotary Club of Woodbridge Deben were pleased to present Birchwood School with our 2017/18 Community Service award. Receiving the award and a cheque for £150 on behalf of the school Steve Cloke and Sarah Alexander explained how the school's teaching policy encouraged pupils to become engaged in environmental matters. Amongst other things they raise chickens, including marketing their eggs, and grow vegetables. We were particularly impressed by how they engage the wider community by getting parents and relatives involved.

A reminder to all golfers that our annual Charity Golf Day takes place on Thursday 19th July at St. Audrey's Golf Club. Teams of 4 will compete for the Marie Hunt Shield and individual and team prizes. Entry is £20 per golfer and further details can be obtained from Rotarian Simon Smith on 01473 612410 or you can download an entry form from our website debenrotary.org.uk

WOODBIDGE LIONS

Our major summer event is the Woodbridge Regatta Day coming up on Sunday 17th June.

<http://woodbridgelions.org.uk/>

HOLLESLEY FETE AND FUN DOG SHOW SATURDAY 30TH JUNE 12:30

Hollesley Village Fete has established itself as a "must visit" event in recent years.

New to the Fete this year we have a fire engine for the children to explore and pony rides around the recreation ground. The Suffolk Punch Trust will be bringing a Suffolk Punch Horse in hand.

The proceeds from the day will be divided between various Village Groups and Projects. Sunday, 24th June 7:30pm

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KESGRAVE

Monday 11th June - 2.00 pm at Kesgrave Community Centre, Twelve Acres Approach, Bell Lane, Kesgrave, IP5 1JF.

U3A Annual General Meeting Members Only

ADVANCE NOTICE

Friday 07 September 2018

Annual Open Day 10.30 to 12.30. Refreshments available

All welcome to attend to see what our Groups will be offering for the coming year.

WOODBIDGE

Friday 15th June - 10.30 am at Woodbridge Community Hall, Station Road, Woodbridge, IP12 4AU.

Whatever Happened to the Magna Carter? By Martyn Hargraves

Why was it agreed and what relevance does it have in today's

Although our four Campuses wont have talks in July and August, details for the future will be in the new Handbook for 2018/19 and of course on our website www.u3aeastsuffolk.org.uk after our AGM on 11th June.



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MARTLESHAM AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF AVIATION

Most people are aware that our attractive village of Martlesham Heath is built on the site of an old aerodrome. The MH100 celebrations on the village green last summer were held to mark the centenary of the establishment of a very important airfield.

However, not everyone is aware that it was the centre for the development and evaluation of all aircraft - civil as well as military. Second in importance only to the Royal Aircraft Establishment at Farnborough. Martlesham was specifically chosen for this purpose and was known as the Aeroplane Experimental Unit in the days of the Royal Flying Corp, until it was renamed the Aeroplane and Armament Experimental Establishment in 1924.

The smart new Wickes store is built on the site of what was known as "B" Flight, where bombers and airliners were evaluated and tested. Some readers will remember the hangar and outbuildings that stood on this site and that of Tesco's.

B Flight and The Development of Airliners.

In 1920 the Air Ministry held a competition to encourage the development of aircraft designed to carry passengers. There were three categories. Light aircraft, large aircraft and seaplanes. The first two categories were evaluated at Martlesham and the flying boats at the Marine Experimental Station at Felixstowe.

The Air Ministry were disappointed that they were developed from WW1 bombers and none of them entered service as airliners.

However, airliner development continued and one of the more successful aircraft was the Handley Page HP42. It gained a Certificate of Airworthiness in 1931 after trials at Martlesham. A 32 seater version flew regular passenger flights between London and Paris and a 28 seater version flew from London to Karachi on what was one of the "The Empire Air Routes", until the outbreak of war, in 1939.



Handley Page HP42 Airliner

B Flight and the development of bombers.

The Bristol Blenheim was designed in 1934, as an airliner, but was used throughout WW2 as a light bomber. Known initially as "Britain First", it was an attempt to produce a fast small airliner. However, it's potential as a bomber was recognised and the government of the day were slowly waking up to the threat posed by Nazi Germany. It arrived at B Flight, Martlesham Heath in June 1935 as Bristol 142, "Britain First," for "high performance trials". The Bristol Blenheim, as it was later re-named, was obsolete by the outbreak of WW2. Nevertheless 4,422 Blenheims, or versions of Blenheims were built and served throughout WW2.

Another famous WW2 bomber arrived early in 1937 at The Aeroplane and Armament Establishment, or A&AEE, as it was known. The Vickers Wellington assigned to Martlesham for development trials tragically crashed on the Brightwell side of the aerodrome on an evening flight in April 1937 whilst on diving trials. The pilot was thrown out and survived, but the only other crew member died in the crash. The fault was diagnosed and another Wellington arrived at Martlesham to complete the trials. The Wellington, or "Wimpy", as it was affectionately known was the principal medium bomber used by the RAF until it was gradually replaced in 1943 by the Avro Lancaster. 11,461 Wellingtons were built. More were built than any other British bomber.

The "Battle Of Britain Flight"

At the outbreak of war, in 1939 the A&AEE was deemed too close to the coast and was moved out of the line of fire, to RAF Boscombe Down, where it remains to this day, but under a different name.

Post-war Martlesham saw a return of development, but on a much reduced scale. 1958 saw the arrival of the "Battle of Britain Flight". It did not become "The Battle of Britain Memorial Flight" until the Lancaster joined them. This was also based on the old B Flight area. The picture shows the aircraft being prepared for the annual flypast over Buckingham Palace in 1959. The Spitfire-crash landed on a cricket pitch at Bromley after safely passing over Buckingham Palace. The teams had gone in for tea and there were no casualties.



Spitfire and Hurricane outside "B" Flight hangar

The Battle of Britain Flight left for RAF Coltishall in 1961 and RAF Martlesham reverted to a "care and maintenance" role before being decommissioned on 25th April 1963.

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY. Our Control Tower museum is open every Sunday from 2pm to 5pm until the end of October. Entrance is free and donations are welcomed. All the above and much, much more is to be seen at the museum. Off Eagle Way, behind Parkers Place, IP5 3UX

The next time you make that all too familiar trip to Tesco's remember that you are in the footsteps of the pioneers at Martlesham, in this "Cradle of British Aviation".

Alan Powell. www.mhas.org.uk

FLOWER FESTIVAL

**PATRONAL FESTIVAL WEEKEND
SATURDAY 23RD/SUNDAY 24TH
JUNE.**

**Brightwell Church will be open for
our Flower Festival on Saturday
23rd June and Sunday 24th June**

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and have a cup of tea and enjoy the
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The Weekend will finish with a Service
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Golden Apples Anyone?

If I could turn back time, If I could find a way. I'd take back those words that've
hurt you and you'd stay. Cher. If I could turn back time.

Have you ever opened your mouth and then wished that you hadn't? I had an
experience recently when I said something I wished that I hadn't. Perfectly craft-
ed, witty, yet sensitive words (in my head) turned into something that was shock-
ing and insensitive. And it can't be unsaid. I truly did open my mouth wide
enough to put in both feet. And I regretted it immediately. But it was still said.

Now happily for me, I spoke to a true friend who graciously accepted my apology
and we moved on. But that isn't always possible. Often the root cause of strife
and argument between people is down to someone not thinking before they
speak.

As a child I was taught the rhyme 'sticks and stones may break my bones, but
words will never hurt me'. But it simply isn't true and saying it in a neat little
rhyme doesn't make it any truer. So, what is the answer? How can we avoid
opening our mouth and wounding others?

Well at the risk of exchanging one little rhyme for another, the bible has some
great wisdom in the book of Proverbs. Plenty of advice on how to live a life that is
in harmony with each other and with God. And to choose just two examples here:
'A gentle answer quiets anger, but a harsh one stirs it up'. (Proverbs 15:1) and 'A
word well-spoken is as lovely as gold apples in a silver basket' (Proverbs 25:11).

We can't turn back time, even if Cher sings about it, but perhaps we can think
first, speak second. And then delight in the basket of golden apples.

Revd. Toby Tate
toby@martleshamcofe.org.uk

THE MOTHERS UNION.

Wednesday June 6th

Annual outing for members.

July 4th at 2.30pm at St Michael's
Church Centre.

Karen will come and tell us about her
work with Age Concern.

Everyone is most welcome

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK MAY 2018

Thank you very much to everyone who contributed to this house-to-house collection,
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Services for the Month	Martlesham Heath St Michael's	Martlesham St Mary's	Brightwell St John's
Sunday 3rd June	9.45am All Age Service Holy Communion	11am Holy Communion (Prayer Book)	8am Holy Communion
Sunday 10th June	9.45am Holy Communion with Junior Church	11am Morning Worship	6.30pm Evensong
Sunday 17th June	9am Breakfast@9	11am Holy Communion	8am Holy Communion
Sunday 24th June	9.45 Holy Communion with Junior Church	11am Morning Prayer	6.30pm Evensong

Midweek Services

Holy Communion each Wednesday at 10am in St. Michael's.

A warm welcome awaits you at all our services

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

June

- 5 Ascension Trust
- 6 Sandy Lane.
- 7 For an end to political unrest.
- 8 For prisoners of conscience.
- 9 For children in abusive situations.

10 For those leading worship.

- 11 For Holiday at Home week.
- 12 For Open the Book teams.
- 13 School Lane.
- 14 For children on the Autistic Spectrum.
- 15 For Night Shelters for the Homeless.
- 16 For global responses to refugees and migrants.

17 For Fathers everywhere.

- 18 For the Queen's Commonwealth Canopy Project.
- 19 For peace in the Middle East.
- 20 Shaw Valley Road.

- 21 For sufferers of diabetes.

- 22 For night workers.

- 23 For Home Start.

24 For a visible Christian presence in every community.

- 25 For our brothers and sisters in war torn areas.

- 26 For parents with young children

- 27 Side Centre Gate

- 28 For a solution to plastic waste.

- 29 For those dealing with difficult situations.

- 30 For those who are lonely.

July

1 For God's guidance.

- 2 For justice.

- 3 For those who are mourning.

- 4 Sorrel Walk.

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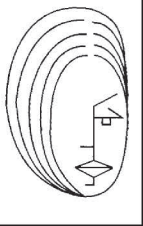
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