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PARISH DIARY- APRIL

Church services

6th	St Mary's	10.00	Sung Eucharist
	St Peter's	6.00	Evensong
	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service
		3.00	Band Service
13th	St Mary's	8.30	Eucharist (BCP)
	St Peter's	10.00	Sung Eucharist
	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service
20th	St Mary's	10.00	Family Eucharist
	St Peter's	6.00	Evening Prayer and Church Annual Meetings
	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service w. Holy Communion
27th	St Mary's	8.30	Eucharist (BCP)
	St Peter's	10.00	Sung Eucharist
	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service

Other events

Boxted Parish Council	9th	7.00	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Footpath Walk	6th	2.00	Boxted Church Lane
Boxted Coffee Café	1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th	10.30-12	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Evergreen Club	3rd	2.30	Boxted Village Hall ("Moneyspinners")
	17th	2.30	Boxted Village Hall ("Elaine makes Spring Flowers look good")
Boxted WI	8th	7.30	Boxted Village Hall (Anne Sara: "Parchment Craft & Card Making")
	18th		Langham Community Centre (Spring Valley Group Meeting)
Boxted History Group	16th	7.30 for 8.00	Boxted Village Hall (AGM & Brian Curtols: "30 Years' Reporting for the BBC")
Boxted Art & Craft Club	2nd & 16th	2.00	Boxted Village Hall (2nd-Jenny Lancaster: "Picture It with Fabrics")
Boxted Bingo	23rd	7.30	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Lodgers FC	Tuesday	7.00	King George Playing Field (Thursday in term-time, 5.30: coaching by Colchester United CD coaches)
Boxted Pram & Chat Club	Wednesday in school term	9.30-11.30	Boxted St Peter's School
Boxted Pre-School	Monday-Friday in school term	9.30-12 & 1.30-4	The Play Centre, King George Playing Field
Boxted Methodist Silver Band	Wednesday	7.30	Boxted Methodist Schoolroom (Monday in term-time, 7.30: Training Band)
Langham Parish Council	29th	7.30	Langham Community Centre (Annual Parish Meeting)
Langham Footpath Walk	13th	2.00	Langham Community Centre
Langham WI	10th	7.30	Langham Community Centre (Mr Sadler: "The Work of a Local Magistrate")
	18th		Langham Community Centre (Spring Valley Group Meeting)
Langham Good Companions			
Langham Badminton Club	Thursday	8.00	Langham Community Centre
Langham Carpet Bowls	Tuesday	2.00 & Friday 7.30	Langham Community Centre
Langham Bridge Club	Monday	7.15	Langham Community Centre
Langham Pre-School	Monday - Friday in school term	9.30-12	Langham Community Centre
2nd Langham Scout Group	Wednesday (times vary)		Langham Community Centre

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CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

A total of £865 has been recovered from the collection boxes in the two villages (£180 from the Boxted boxes and £698 from the Langham ones) and sent on to the Children's Society. This is additional of course to the £538 already sent on from the collections at the Christmas church services. The Society's representatives are very grateful for this fine response. The money will help fund the Society's many works, which include work with children in isolated or deprived communities, young runaways and young people in care.

If you would like a box in which to put your small change for this worthy cause, please contact
Penny Carmichael (Boxted) 272218
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LANGHAM CD

The second edition of the Langham CD, "Langham, an Illustrated History", should be available by the end of April. Authors Laura Smerdon & Simon Gallup tell us it will contain over 60,000 words and 1,700 images of Langham past and present. It is a multi-media CD for use on PCs, and may be bought at the Community Shop. The expected price is just £5.

BOXTED'S GOLDWING GRANNY

Great grandmother Ruth Sycamore will be taking part in the Goldwing Granny run on 20 April. She will be riding pillion on a Honda Goldwing motorcycle from Broomfield (Chelmsford) to Maldon Promenade Park to help raise money for the Broomfield Hospital's "Blue Green Appeal" for funds to acquire a narrow-band imaging endoscope for detecting abnormalities of the gastro-intestinal tract. The Goldwing motorcycle club will provide a safety helmet but she is finding her own leathers.

Ruth will very grateful for sponsorship and will be at the weekly Boxted Coffee Café every Tuesday up to and including 15 April.

MARIE CURIE DAFFODIL APPEAL

Daphne and Frank Bettle wish to thank all those in Chapel Road, Langham, who between them contributed £60 to the collection in aid of the Marie Curie Great Daffodil Appeal.

BOXTED WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

A number of members met on Leap Year Day at the home of Sue Carbutt in Great Horkesley for an invigorating walk followed by a welcome lunch. Members at the March meeting enjoyed a most interesting illustrated talk on Holland by Harold Mousley. Bridge classes for both beginners and more advanced players continue to be held at Sue Carbutt's house.

Spring is near!

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March Winners

£25 Mrs P Andrews
£10 Mrs M Hamblion
£ 6 P Newman
£ 4 Mrs E Cundy

If you would like to join the Snowball, ring John Jackson on 272776.

BOXTED ST PETER'S SCHOOL

Years 5 and 6 won the Small schools section of the cross-country run competition held at Abbey Fields, Colchester. They also triumphed in the netball tournament at the Colchester Girls' High School. AND the St Peter's football team is unbeaten in the local schools 7-a-side league. The trophy cabinet is beginning to look overcrowded!

100 CLUB

The Langham Community Council's 100 Club draw takes place at the Community Centre on the last Friday of the month, usually during a coffee morning hosted by a village body or organisation. The proceeds of the coffee morning are shared between the organisation and the Community Council.

The February morning was hosted by St Mary's Church and the March one by the Bridge Club. The 25 April morning will be hosted by the Patchwork Pals, while the Good Companions will be in the chair on 27 June. If your organisation would like to host one of these coffee mornings, please contact Sylvia Hemmings on 322336.

LANGHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

The whole school adopted the ICT theme after half term. On 5 March the children entertained the Good Companions with a programme of group singing, recorder music and piano and keyboard recitals. The Year 6 pupils have heard a talk by Ben Sinclair of the Finborough Hall Kids' Club, which they will attend in the summer term.

The "Walking Bus" from the Community Centre car park to the school is hampered by the lack of safe walkways near the School Road Industrial Site; both the School and the Parish Council are pressing the County Council to make improvements in the provision for pedestrians in this area. The "Walking Bus" parents have met the county helpers to share experiences with this means of enabling children to walk safely to school while avoiding traffic congestion and pollution.

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LANGHAM 100 CLUB

February Winners

£40 Langham WI
£25 Mr & Mrs Broom
£10 Mr & Mrs Bettle
£ 5 Margaret & David McKenzie

If you would like to join the 100 Club, ring Sylvia Hemmings on 322336.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETINGS

The meetings to elect the Churchwardens for 2008/9, to receive the Parochial Church Council's report and financial statements for 2007 and to elect representatives to the PCC for 2008/9, will be held at St Peter's on Sunday 20 April at 6 pm. This is the chance for everyone on the church electoral roll to hear about the progress of the Church in the Parish and to influence how the Parish will be run in the next twelve months.

USAAF MONUMENT

Passers-by in Park Lane will have observed the progress being made with the rebuilding of the USAAF Monument at the old runway of the former Boxted Airfield. The reconstructed Monument will be dedicated on 19 April. In the interests of safety Park Lane will be closed to traffic in the vicinity of the monument during the ceremony, from 11 am to 12.30 pm.

REAL BTS FOOTBALL CLUB

Langham Recreation Ground is the home ground of Real BTS Football Club, who play there nearly every Sunday in the Colchester & District League. Real BTS are in the First Division and in 2007 were Triple Trophy Winners.

The Club is forming new youth teams to play in the C&D Youth League and is looking for boys from 8 to 14 years who would like to play football. Training will be on every Saturday, starting in June. Coaching will be by a FA Badge Holder. More information may be obtained from

Real BTS Secretary

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LANGHAM PARISH MEETING

Langham's Annual Parish Meeting will be at the Community Centre on Tuesday 29 April. This is a good opportunity to hear of the Parish Council's achievements in the past twelve months and to learn more about the challenges to be faced in the coming year. All residents are very welcome.

BOXTED ART & CRAFT CLUB

Meetings of the Club are mostly of two kinds: those in which members follow their own particular interest and those at which an expert in his or her own field gives a talk. Meetings in April are of each sort. On the 2nd, Jenny Lankester will give what promises to be an entertaining and instructive demonstration of creating pictures with fabrics; on the 16th, members will practise their own pursuits. Newcomers will be welcome at either meeting—speak to Doreen Jackson on 272744.

From the Parish Registers

Baptism

Megan Gibson

BOXTED HISTORY GROUP

Members of the Group at their February meeting were fascinated by an account by David Cawdell of the old Lexden Mill at Spring Lane. The mill was used for corn milling or fulling from the Middle Ages until the 1920s; after falling into ruins it was eventually demolished when Spring Lane was diverted and a roundabout built linking the A12 Colchester northern bypass to the Avenue of Remembrance.

LANGHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the March meeting, Helen Beard described how "Your Face is your Fortune". She is a reflexology practitioner and teacher and has studied Shiatsu in Japan. Her talk explained how the study of a face might give an insight into the character and general health of the owner. Amid hilarity, members made drawings of each other's faces.

FRIENDS OF LANGHAM SCHOOL

FOLS are collecting old shoes and telephones to raise money for school facilities. The collection bin is just inside the school entrance and already enough has been raised to buy fruit trees for the school nature area. The new committee under the chairmanship of Jane Morton plans a series of exciting events in support of Langham School (no less than £6,750 was raised in 2007).

BED & BREAKFAST

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