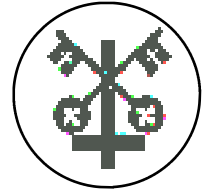




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The leaflets enclosed with this issue of the Newsletter tell readers all about this year's Shoebox Appeal and where to take their filled shoeboxes. We may be entering difficult times but let's try to make this a record year with shoeboxes filled with simple gifts for desperately deprived little children in Eastern Europe and elsewhere.

LANGHAM BABY/TODDLER GROUP

A baby/toddler group may return to Langham. It would be weekly, on Monday mornings from 9.45 to 11.15 at the Community Centre. But it can't start up again if there is not enough interest. So, if you or any of your friends living in or near Langham have babies and/or toddlers and would think of coming along regularly on a Monday morning, please ring

Rachael Podd on **01206 272506**.

If any reader has any baby/toddler toys to spare for the proposed group, please let Rachael know. They will be greatly appreciated.

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PARISH DIARY- NOVEMBER

Church services

2nd	St Mary's	10.00	Sung Eucharist (<i>All Saints</i>)
<i>All Saints</i>	St Peter's	6.00	Evensong (<i>All Souls</i>)
<i>All Souls</i>	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service
		3.00	Band Service
9th	St Mary's	10.00	All-age Eucharist and Remembrance
<i>Remem- brance</i>	St Peter's		No service
	Methodist Chapel	10.50	Remembrance Service
16th	St Mary's	10.00	All-age Eucharist (<i>Shoobox Sunday</i>)
<i>2nd before Advent</i>	St Peter's	6.00	Evening Eucharist
	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service with Holy Communion
23rd	St Mary's	8.30	Eucharist (BCP)
<i>Christ the King</i>	St Peter's	10.00	Mattins
	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service
30th	St Mary's	10.00	Sung Eucharist
<i>Advent</i>	St Peter's	6.00	Christmas & Hanukkah
<i>Sunday</i>			(with <i>Julia Pascoe</i> of "Jews for Jesus")
	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service

Other events

Boxted Parish Council	12th	7.00	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Footpath Walk	2nd	2.00	King George Playing Field
Boxted Coffee Café	4th, 11th, 18th & 25th	10.30-12	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Evergreen Club	13th	2.30	Boxted Village Hall (<i>Money Spinners</i>)
	27th	2.30	Boxted Village Hall (<i>Elaine</i>)
Boxted WI	11th	7.30	Boxted Village Hall (<i>AGM, with soup & rolls</i>)
Boxted History Group	19th	7.30 for 8.00	Boxted Village Hall (<i>Ray Spiller: "Music of the 1950s"</i>)
Boxted Art & Craft Club	7th	2.00	Boxted Village Hall
	21st	2.00	Boxted Village Hall (<i>Rachel Leonard: Christmas Workshop</i>)
Boxted Bingo	26th	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	25th	7.30	Langham Community Centre
Langham Footpath Walk	9th	2.00	Langham Community Centre
Langham WI	13th	7.30	Langham Community Centre (<i>Jane Parker: "Four weddings & a funeral-Plus a Whole Lot More", plus AGM</i>)
Langham Good Companions	5th	2.30	Langham Community Centre
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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BOXTED WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The October meeting took the form of a "Casino Night", when members had great fun gambling with free counters, having all the excitement but none of the risk.

In November, members are invited to "Brookfields" for lunch on the 6th, while the Annual General Meeting is on the 11th, to be followed by soup and rolls.

Everyone wishes good luck to the darts team, which has two matches soon; all the participants in the Bridge classes are reported to be making steady progress.

LANGHAM COMMUNITY SHOP

Bakery

For several weeks now the shop has been supplied by a new and very good baker, who delivers excellent bread, cakes, pasties, sausage rolls and so on early in the morning ready for the shop to open at 8.30am.

Discounted heating oil

The next delivery is in the week beginning 15 December. If you are interested, please sign up at the shop by 9 December.

Mobile Fishmonger

The fishmonger calls at the Community Centre car park every Friday from 2 to 4.30 pm. Give him a try!

BOXTED VILLAGE HALL

The annual general Meeting of the Boxted Village Hall Management Committee will be held at the Village Hall on 20th November at 7.30 pm. Everyone is very welcome to come along and hear about the great improvements made to the hall in recent times and to learn of plans for the future. If you have any suggestions or, even better, are interested in serving on the Committee, any committee member will be delighted to hear from you.

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TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION STARTS FROM SCHOOL
ROAD 6.30

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DEDHAM VALE FOOTPATH WALKS

The next autumn/winter walk organized by the Dedham Vale AONB & Stour Valley Project will be from 1.30 to 4.30 pm on 23 November. Called "Gestingthorpe Treasures", it will cover four miles of moderate going. There is a charge of £3 for each adult walker (children are free) but it is waived for those who arrive at the start by bike or public transport. The numbers are limited: book by ringing (01473 264263).

VILLAGE WEBSITES

The village websites

www.boxted.org.uk

www.langham.org.uk

are very useful sources of information about local current affairs, including planning applications and

BOXTED VILLAGE HALL SNOWBALL

October Winners

£25 Mrs A Sara

£10 Mrs Emma Bays

£ 6 Mrs Mould

£ 4 Mr & Mrs R Graves

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

LANGHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the October meeting of the Institute members heard an most interesting account of the workhouse system in Essex established under an Act of Parliament of 1834 and lasting in various forms until 1948. Every parish or "union" (where smaller parishes acted in combination) had its workhouse for the reception, accommodation and employment of paupers. Many of the buildings were specially designed for their function and the speaker, John Drury, has identified a number of survivors in Essex. Some of the later buildings (for example, St Mary's, in Colchester) became hospitals. There was some speculation as to where a Langham workhouse might have been.

BOXTED ART & CRAFT CLUB

Members had great benefit from the workshop conducted on October by David Lloyd and look forward to his returning in 2009. The Club's meetings in November are on the 5th, when members will follow their individual arts or crafts, and the 19th, when a Christmas workshop will take place under the guidance of a member, Viv Williams.

Meetings of the Club are normally on alternate Wednesday afternoons in Boxted Village Hall, from 2 to 4 pm. For detailed information, please ring Doreen Jackson on 272744.

SELF HELP AFRICA 2008

The appeal by St Mary's and St Peter's Churches and Boxted St Peter's School in aid of Self Help Africa realised, for the second year running, a little over £2,000. The organisers are very grateful for this generous response. Enough has been raised for Self Help Africa to provide 14,000 trees to establish a productive community woodland or 10 simple irrigation systems and training in their use.

St Peter's School raised a record £200 and Self Help Africa is being asked to devote this money to the provision of sunflower seeds and presses for the extraction of nutritionally valuable oil for cooking or sale.

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LANGHAM 100 CLUB

September Winners

£40 Peter Blake
£25 Tony & Elizabeth Ellis
£10 David Winter
£ 5 Peggy Busby

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

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICES

Boxted

10.50 am *Boxted Methodist Chapel*
Joint Anglican-Methodist
Service of Remembrance

Langham

10.00 am *St Mary's Church*
All-age Eucharist &
Act of Remembrance

11.45 am *War Memorial, School Rd*
Act of Remembrance

12 md *USAAF Monument, Park Lane*
Act of Remembrance

ADVENT FRUGAL LUNCHES

The annual Advent Frugal Lunches are being held on four consecutive Tuesdays from 25 November to 16 December inclusive. They will follow the weekly Coffee Café (10.30 am to 12 noon) at Boxted Village Hall and will again be in aid of Colchester Emergency Night Shelter.

Family Quiz Night

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All the currently serving officers and committee members of the thriving Evergreen Club were re-elected at October's Annual General Meeting. Another excellent year, with interesting speakers and well-supported outings, was reported. Thanks were expressed for the public support for the Grand Bazaar and to those members who work hard to make the Evergreens a happy gathering. Membership continues to grow and new members are always warmly welcomed. The cost is very reasonable: £3 membership plus £1 at each meeting. The £1 includes elements for a raffle, refreshments, the hall hire charge and a charitable donation.

LINE-DANCING

There are line-dancing sessions at Boxted Village Hall every Tuesday from 1.30 to 3.30 pm. The charge is £4 a session—for more information, phone Ruth Sycamore on 272551.

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PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

The Langham Parish Council has learnt that the Government's Inspector has assessed the Colchester Borough Council's "Core Strategy" as sound; the Borough Council is one of only two councils in Essex to have merited such an assessment. The Core Strategy is now due to be adopted formally by the full council in December. Development, with public consultation, of the "site allocation and development" policy will start in January next year.

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