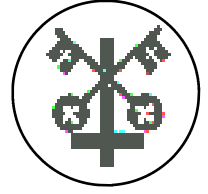




ST MARY & ST PETER NEWSLETTER



June 2009

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BOXTED & LANGHAM VILLAGE DIRECTORY

The 2009-2010 edition of the Boxted & Langham Village Directory is under preparation for distribution with the July/August issue of the Newsletter. Will chairmen, secretaries etc please check the entries for their particular organisations in the current Directory and tell the

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of any changes to be made not later than
10 June

CHURCHWARDENS

At the annual "Vestry" meeting on 26 April, Graham Pullen and Jos Renouf were re-elected Churchwardens of St Peter's, Boxted, and Stephen Garner was re-elected Churchwarden of St Mary's, Langham. Clifford Sims was elected as the other Churchwarden of St Mary's, replacing Ian Hollands, who has retired; Clifford, who lives in Dedham, has worshipped at St Mary's for a number of years.

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PARISH DIARY - JUNE

Church services

7th	St Mary's	8.30	Eucharist (BCP)
Trinity	St Peter's	10.00	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service
		3.00	Band Service
14th	St Mary's	10.00	Sung Blessing of the Animals
Trinity	St Peter's	6.00	Evening Eucharist
I	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service with Holy Communion
21st	St Mary's	8.30	Eucharist (BCP)
Trinity	St Peter's	10.00	Mattins (BCP)
II	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service
28th	St Mary's	10.00	Sung Eucharist
Trinity	St Peter's	6.00	Evensong,
III	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service

Other events

Boxted Parish Council	10th	7.00	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Footpath Walk	7th	2.00	King George Playing Field
Boxted Coffee Café	Tuesday	10.30-12	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Evergreen Club	11th	2.30	Boxted Village Hall (Bingo)
	19th		Thames Tour
	25th	2.30	Boxted Village Hall (Tea Dance)
Boxted WI	9th	6.00	Mount Hall, Gt Horkesley (Garden Party)
Boxted History Group	17th	7.30 for 8.00	Boxted Village Hall (Stephen Nunn: "Maldon through the Lens")
Boxted Art & Craft Club			Meetings resume in September
Boxted Bingo	24th	7.30	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Carpet Bowls	Monday	2.00 & Friday 7.00	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Lodgers FC	Wednesday	7.00	King George Playing Field
Boxted Pram & Chat Club	Wednesday in school term		Boxted St Peter's School 9.45-11.15
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	30th	7.30	Langham Community Centre
Langham Footpath Walk	14th	2.00	Langham Community Centre
Langham WI	11th	7.30	Langham Community Centre (Elizabeth Norman: "Curtain Up")
Langham Good Companions	3rd	2.30	Langham Community Centre
Langham Badminton Club	Thursday	8.00	Langham Community Centre
Langham Carpet Bowls	Tuesday	2.00 & Friday 7.30	
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
Langham Baby/Toddler Group	Monday in school term		
	9.45-11.15		Langham Community Centre
Langham Tennis Club	7th	3.30-5.30	Langham Recreation Ground

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DR BRUCE FINCH

After nearly thirty-nine years as a general practitioner with the Constable Country Medical Practice and its fore-runners, Bruce Finch will retire as a partner at the end of June. However, he will continue to work as a locum at the practice, holding surgeries on Thursdays and Fridays.

THE REVD RUTH RIDGE

Please note that the Revd Ruth Ridge, the Methodist Minister, has changed her email address to ruthkridge@googlemail.com.

BOXTED HISTORY GROUP

A net profit of just over £200 was reported at the Annual General Meeting of the Group, allowing the subscription to remain a modest £6. The officers and committee were re-elected *en bloc*, the Chairman, Keith Middleton, thanking members and friends for making 2008 a most successful year.

The Group welcomes anyone living in Boxted, Langham or the surrounding villages who has an interest in parish or regional history. The subjects presented at meetings are very varied and there are expeditions to places of historical interest. If you think of joining, just go along to the next meeting or phone Alan Ladbrooke on 272250.

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2ND LANGHAM SCOUT GROUP

The Curry Supper and Race Night raised over £340 for Scout Group funds. The Group thanks everyone who supported the event, especially the local race sponsors.

2009 sees the Group's 50th anniversary. There will be a day of celebration on 20 June in Hobday Woods and everyone who has been associated, in whatever way and however long ago, with 2nd Langham Group since its inception is warmly invited to attend. If you'd like to join in this great day, please phone Ella Bouwmeester on 272771.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

10 am

Sunday

14 JUNE

ST MARY'S CHURCH

"And God said: 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind'....

And God saw that it was good."

Bring your pets along to church to be blessed at a very relaxed and informal service of thanksgiving for all the pleasure we have from animals of every kind.

The service will be outside the church if the weather allows.

Pets of all sorts are very welcome but their companions are asked to keep them under control and to clear up after them in case of "accidents". Larger animals such as horses are as welcome as smaller ones but owners

BOXTED VILLAGE HALL SNOWBALL

May Winners

£25 Mr & Mrs S Sadler

£10 Mr P Simpson

£ 6 Mrs S Lane

£ 4 K Berry

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

DEDHAM VALE AONB & STOUR VALLEY PROJECT

The next in the Project's series of Spring and Summer Walks and events is a guided walk with Ashley Cooper of Hill Farm, Gestingthorpe, with a focus on the Roman heritage of the site and the fascinating private museum. The walk continues in the surrounding woods, returning to the barn. The whole walk is 4 miles of moderate going. There is a charge of £3 for each adult attending the event, just to meet the overheads. But the charge is waived for children and those travelling by public transport or bike. Numbers are limited. For more information or to book a place contact the Project on

01473 264263

or

www.dedhamvalestourvalley.org

LANGHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL COFFEE MORNINGS

No coffee morning was held in May because the regular date coincided with school half-term. The next coffee morning at which the 100 Club monthly draw will be made will be on 26 June at the Community Centre from 10.30 am to mid-day. It will be hosted by the Good Companions.

BOXTED

CARPET BOWLS CLUB

Boxted Carpet Bowls Club warmly welcomes anyone who would like to give carpet bowls a try on Friday nights at 7 pm. There is no charge for the first three visits and so why not go along and join the players to see if you like it? For more information, ring Dave Borroff on 272513.

From the Parish Registers

Baptism

Mia Elizabeth Mayes

Harry James John Mayes

Fabian Edward Kapes

Burial

Sophie Markham

In memoriam

Phyllis Andrews

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LANGHAM 100 CLUB

April Winners

£40 David & Lesley Ford

£25 David Winter

£15 Liz Durlacher

£10 Mervyn & Anthea Bush

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

BOXTED EVERGREEN CLUB

There are still some seats left for the coach trip to see and hear Angie Diggens in her "Spectacular" at the West Cliff Theatre on 18 July. The coach fare is £7 (return) and the theatre seats are at the concessionary rate (until 15 June) of £9 each. The coach will leave Boxted at 3 o'clock for the show at 7.30 pm. To book your front row seat, ring Ruth Sycamore on 272551 NOW!

Back by popular demand:

SINGING FOR FUN

Saturday

13 JUNE

11.45 am to 1.45 pm

LANGHAM

COMMUNITY CENTRE

Cost £5

Nearly 40 people came to the first workshop, in April, and had such a great time that they want to repeat it. They'd be delighted if you'd join them.

For more information, have a word with

Carolyn Blacklock (272332) or

Rona Hammond (272331)

BOXTED WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Boxted WI's April outing was a walk round the bluebell wood at a local farm followed by a Ploughman's Lunch provided by Anne Sara, who had a very busy month organising activities. About twenty members attended the first singing class and were put through their paces by Julie Bull. It was great fun and much was learnt, with everyone looking forward eagerly to the remaining five classes.

This year's resolution—on the protection of the honey bee—to be put to the Government was unanimously agreed and afterwards a Beetle Drive gave rise to much hilarity.

The annual Garden Party, on 9 June, will be hosted by Sue Carbutt at her home, Mount Hall, Little Horkesley.

LANGHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

The whole school is engaged on the topic of "The Environment" and this cross-curricular theme is permeating many of the children's studies. The outcome of their activities will be presented to parents at the FOLS (Friends of Langham School) Summer Fayre.

There are many sporting activities and outings taking place. Among them are visits to Colchester Zoo and Fingringhoe Nature Reserve, a residential week at Finborough Hall, "Cluster" sports at Manningtree and a cricket tournament at Colchester RGS.

LANGHAM PARISH PLAN

The Langham Parish Plan Association was formed on 22 April at a public meeting in the Community Centre. The purpose of the Association is to devise a framework for the social future of the village. The Parish Plan will complement and add to the spatial elements identified in the Village Design Statement completed last year.

Tony Ellis was elected Chairman of the Association; Martin Bottwood is Secretary and Jacqui Cook Treasurer. Committee members are Sophie Eels, Sylvia Mays, Andrew Stacey, Richard Watson, Glenn Williamson and David Winter.

Working groups were formed to study a number of topics with a view to compiling questionnaires, to be delivered to every household in the parish, seeking the opinions and suggestions of both younger and older residents. The topics are:

- Traffic & transportation
- Environment & sustainability
- Local business
- Leisure, community facilities & communications
- Education & housing.

The groups are now at work and will report to the next meeting of the Association on 4 June (7.30 pm in the Community Centre Committee Room). All Langham residents are invited to attend, comment on and add to the working groups' ideas.

LANGHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

In May members enjoyed an absorbing talk, illustrated by beautiful slides and accompanied by a quiz, on the habitats and behaviour of British birds. The May meeting voted in favour of the National AGM resolution calling on the Government to increase its funding of research into the declining numbers of honey bees.

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