



ST MARY & ST PETER NEWSLETTER

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LANGHAM'S DIAMOND JUBILEE TREE



Langham Parish Councillors and members of the Langham Diamond Jubilee Committee gathered at the Recreation Ground on 14 April to watch Parish Council Chairman Elizabeth Schofield plant a young oak tree as the first act in Langham's celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. As may be seen below, on the "official" weekend of celebrations there will be a great programme of community events in which everyone in the village can participate.

DIAMOND JUBILEE WEEKEND AT LANGHAM SATURDAY & SUNDAY 2 & 3 JUNE

Saturday

Tennis Tournament in the morning. To take part, register with Mark Kleingeld on **230589**.

Jubilee Fête in the afternoon (12 to 4). Fun and games for all. Competitions include:

Decorated Bicycle Princess of Langham (under 12s)

Undecorated Victoria sponge

Decorated Cup Cake (under 12s)

Homemade Crown

Contact Jane Morton on (**844372** or **07977 593232**) or email janeimorton@aol.com.

Langham Talent Show in the evening (7.30). Entry by programme, from Langham Community Shop.

Sunday

Picnic from mid-day. Come with all the family, bringing all you want to eat and drink, to join with friends in a "Street Party" style open-air picnic.

Rounders Tournament in the afternoon. Contact Roger Newnham (**273977**) or David Cole (**230448**)

A Service of Celebration & Thanksgiving, led by the Rector, concludes the celebrations

ALL EVENTS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE

PARISH DIARY - MAY

Church Services

6th Easter V	St Mary's St Peter's Methodist Chapel	8.30 10.00 10.30 3.00	Eucharist (BCP) Family Service Morning Service Band Service
13th Easter VI	St Mary's St Peter's Methodist Chapel	10.00 6.00 10.30	Sung Eucharist CONNECT (arranged by young people) Morning Service with Holy Communion
20th Sunday a. Ascension	St Mary's St Peter's Methodist Chapel	8.30 10.00 10.30	Eucharist (BCP) "Prayer Book" Mattins Morning Service
27th Pentecost	St Mary's St Peter's Methodist Chapel	10.00 6.00 10.30	Family Eucharist Evensong (with meditation) Morning Service

Other events

Boxted Parish Council	9th	7.30	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Footpath Walk	6th	2.00	Church Lane Car Park
Boxted Coffee Café	Tuesday	10.30-12	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Evergreen Club	3rd	2.30	Boxted Village Hall (Peter Banham)
	17th	2.00	Boxted Village Hall (Bingo)
Boxted WI	8th	7.30	Boxted Village Hall (Resolutions + Social Evening)
Boxted History Group	16th	7.30 for 8.00	Boxted Village Hall (Rosemary Knox: "Jane Walker and her Hospital")
Boxted Bingo	23rd	7.30	Boxted Village Hall
The Point, Boxted	10th & 24th	5-6.30	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
Little Owls Pre-School (Boxted)	Monday-Friday	in school term	
	9.15-12.15 & 12.15-3.15	9.15-3.15 also available	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	1st	7.30	Langham Community Centre
Langham Footpath Walk	13th	2.00	Langham Community Centre
Langham WI	10th	7.30	Langham Community Centre ("Essex Air Ambulance")
Crafty Ladies	9th	11.00-4.30	Langham Community Centre
100 Club Coffee Morning	25th	10.00	Langham Community Centre (Hosted by the Friends of Langham School)
Boxted Airfield Historical Group	25th	7.30	Museum, Langham Lane (John Smith of the Blenheim Society)
Patchwork Pals, Langham	16th	10.00-3.00	Langham Community Centre
The Point, Langham	3rd & 17th	5-6.30	Langham Community Centre
Langham Carpet Bowls	Tuesday	2.00 & Friday 7.30	L'm Community Centre
Langham Bridge Club	Monday	7.15	Langham Community Centre
Langham Pre-School	Mon. & Thur	9.15-11.45; Tue, Wed & Fri	9.15-2.30
	In school term	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 Coaching Sessions		Langham Recreation Ground	
Sundays - Pay & Play:	10.15-11.15	(age 5-10); 11.15-12.30	(age 11-17)

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LANGHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At the April meeting, Frances Harper demonstrated microwave cooking, producing in no time at all five quite delicious dishes ranging from pineapple-upside-down cake to kedgeree. Members were pleasantly surprised by the versatility of this unsung item of kitchen equipment. There's more to microwaves than frozen peas!

In a busy summer's programme, events will include a sponsored walk for ACWW, participation in the county-wide quiz and organising a cake stall at the Jubilee Fete on 2 June (see front page) and a card stall at the Gardens of Langham event on 24 June

LADIES' & GIRLS' SOCCER

Colchester Town Ladies'/Girls' Football Club, which has its home ground at Boxted, will be holding its AGM at 8 pm on 14 May at Boxted Sports & Social Club.

Signing on for girls' teams will be on Mondays 2 and 9 July, also at Boxted, from 7 to 9 pm. There will be teams to join aged under 12, under 14, under 15, under 16 and adult ladies, with both first and reserve teams. There is also an ongoing under 10s soccer centre. Go along and have a chat about playing football.

BOXTED WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Salsa Dancing came to Boxted in April, when Richard Adams taught some of the WI members the steps and everyone else joined in the routines. It all made for a most enjoyable evening.

Also in April, a number of members attended the Spring Valley Group meeting, hosted by the Mile End WI.

A social evening will take place on 8 May, when members will also consider and vote on the national Resolutions.

Boxted Methodist Church
GREAT
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Church Hall, Chapel Road
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Saturday
26 MAY
11 am to 12.30 pm
Admission 20p
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LANGHAM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Community Council's Annual General Meeting will be held on 24 May at 7.30 pm in the Committee Room of the Community Centre. The election of officers for 2012-13 will take place but the meeting is also an opportunity for people to learn about the use and development of the Community Centre. Trustees are asked to provide their personal particulars for notification to the Charity Commissioners.

BOXTED VILLAGE HALL SNOWBALL

April Winners

£25 Mrs S Wilkinson

£10 Mr Mould

£ 6 Mrs L Lee

£ 4 Mr Middleton

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

CLLR CHRISTOPHER GARNETT

Christopher Garnett, Borough Councillor for Dedham & Langham, writes:

"After 30 years of having had the privilege of representing Langham, it has been decided that I am a little too long in the tooth to continue.

"I should like to thank so many of you for your constructive and thoughtful comment and determination. Without exception, you all showed a humorous and responsible way in presenting me with your problems. I thank you all very much and wish you the very best for the future.

John Christopher Garnett"

The residents of Langham (and Boxted also) have great reason to be grateful to Chris Garnett for his unstinting efforts on their behalf over many years. We record our very sincere thanks and wish Chris an active and fulfilled retirement.

BOXTED AIRFIELD MUSEUM

The Boxted Airfield Historical Group's attractively-presented Museum off Langham Lane, Langham, will be open to the public on 27 May from 10 am to 4 pm. There is ample parking and much to grip people's interest.



Langham Film Night presents...

The Iron Lady 12A Sat 19th May

The Artist PG Sat 22nd June

Langham Community Centre Doors open 7 pm

Ticket price £3.50

Advance ticket sales at

Langham Community Shop

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LANGHAM 100 CLUB

March Winners

£40 M Bryant
£25 C Blacklock
£15 T Austin
£10 Langham WI

If you would like to join the 100 Club, ring Sue Armstrong on 271127.

BOXTED HISTORY GROUP

Members of the History Group have experienced contrasting talks in the last two sessions. In March, Sarah Friswell gave an account of Saint Edmundsbury Cathedral from the time when it was a simple church within the precincts of a great medieval abbey to its metamorphosis into the Cathedral of St James in the Diocese of St Edmundsbury & Ipswich, created in 1914. The building was transformed under the direction of the eminent architect Stephen Dykes Bower, though his work did not attain full fruition until the lantern tower was completed in 2005.

In April, Judy Gant, Superintendent Registrar in Suffolk, spoke about the registration of births, deaths and marriages from the reign of Henry VIII. She described many examples of how practices differed from place to place until the whole system was regularised by Act of Parliament in the 19th century. Today, areas have been very considerably rationalised (although much of the work is more detailed) and tracing people is much easier.

The Annual Meeting preceded the April talk, members being pleased to learn that the Group had actually made a modest profit; membership remains steady at 65. The committee was re-elected for another year.

CHURCHWARDENS

At the annual "Vestry" meeting at St Peter's Church on 22 April, Stephen Garner was re-elected and Brian Flack elected to serve as Churchwardens of St Mary's, Langham. Graham Pullen and Jos Renouf were re-elected Church wardens of St Peter's Boxted. Thanks were expressed to Clifford Sims for the service he has given as Churchwarden over the past few years.

From the Parish Registers

Baptism

Eleana, Toby & Alice Marshall

Blessing of Civil Marriage

John & Dorothy Garner

BEER TASTING AT FILLPOTS

A unique opportunity to taste and appreciate a wide range of locally brewed bottled beers from 21 Essex and Suffolk Breweries. Quality, variety and knowledge are the aims, not volume!

Tasting will be conducted by expert Beer Columnist, Duncan Brodie of the East Anglian Daily Times.

7 to 9 pm

THURSDAY 10 MAY

Fillpots Café

Straight Road, Boxted

Tickets £10 in advance

(covering the cost of tasting beers).

Food also available and some draft beer at extra cost. Proceeds in aid of Boxted Cricket Club.

Everyone welcome.

Tickets/information from
Stephen Whybrow, 272773 or
stephenwhybrow@msn.com

BOXTED FOOTPATH WALKS

The much improved weather in April brought out walkers to enjoy the very pretty walk from Boxted to Langham Church and back, taking particular delight in the amazing show of daffodils near Nightingale Farm. The next walk, the last of the season, will start from Church Lane at 2 pm on 6 May.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

A total of £895 has been received from the Children's Society collection boxes in Boxted and Langham; £485 came from the Boxted ones and £415 from the Langham ones. The Society's representatives Gill Pullen (Boxted) and Helen Sims (Langham) thank all the box-holders for such an excellent result.

LENTEN FRUGAL LUNCHES

The liberality of those who attended the Lenten Frugal Lunches enabled £115 to be sent to help the Colchester Emergency Night Shelter.

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