

CLUBS & SOCIETIES

Graeme Forsyth writes

STOUR VALLEY MEN'S PROBUS CLUB

Recent Meeting

On 6th April David Carman interviewed our new President Hew Naylor in his "Dessert Island Discs". At our second meeting of the month, on 20th April, David Ablewhite spoke on "George and Mary, the First Windsors".

Future Meetings

On Wednesday 4th May we have a musical event planned when Grant Elliot will talk about the "History of Jazz" and on Wednesday 18th May Harry Parsons will talk to us about the "Building of the Millennium Tower at Bury St Edmunds".
Meeting Venue. We meet at the convenient St John Ambulance HQ, Manningtree CO11 1EB

STOUR VALLEY U3A

Future Meetings

On Wednesday 11th May Dr Roger Simpson BFA Calgary, MA Victoria & PhD Essex Universities, will talk on "John Constable - Man in a Landscape".
Meeting Venue We meet at The Constable Hall, Gandish Road, East Bergholt CO7 6TP at 2.15pm.

Martin Broom writes

DEDHAM FOOTPATH CLUB

Sunday 15th May: Meet at Stutton Community Hall at 10.15am for a

6 1/2 mile walk. Leaders Jan Jukes -☎07283276367 and Helen Edevane -☎395265.

Wednesday, 18th May: Meet at Salary Close Bromley Road Colchester at 6.30pm for a walk of 4 1/2 miles. Leader Margaret Smith -☎822797



Peter Wilson writes

FRIENDS OF DEDHAM CHURCH

The AGM of the Friends of Dedham Church will be held in the Vicarage on Thursday, 5th May at 7pm for 7.30pm. All members are invited to attend. During the course of 2015 the Friends held a number of varied events which were very well attended. Some of these were purely social events where members could meet, or in some instances, were visits to places of interest. A number of fundraising events were also held and we are in a healthy financial position which enables us to support our agreed objectives in 2016. We are grateful for all the financial support we receive and many people and organizations not connected to the Church are amongst those who make generous donations to the Friends. An example of this is Wheelers Wine Cellar who held a wine tasting in the Assembly rooms prior to Christmas and have donated £500 as a result of the evening—our sincere thanks to them for their generosity.

If you are not presently a member of the Friends, we would be delighted to welcome you and you can join by contacting our membership secretary Maria Johnston on ☎ 322 913.

Betty Callaghan writes

GOOD NEIGHBOURS CLUB

It was an enjoyable afternoon familiarising ourselves with our new surroundings coupled with confirmation of an outing to Tiptree in May. The next meeting will be on Friday, 13th May at the Duchy Barn. Competition: Scarf.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.30 a.m.

Holy Communion BCP
1st Sunday in month

10.30 a.m.

Family Service
1st Sunday in month

Morning Worship CW
2nd & 5th Sundays

Holy Communion CW
3rd Sunday in month

Morning Prayer BCP
4th Sunday in month

6.30 p.m.

Evening Prayer BCP
1st Sunday in month

5 p.m.

Re:Vive @5
4th Sunday in month

10.30 a.m.

Family Service
1st Sunday in month

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SPECIAL SERVICES OF WORSHIP :

**ASCENSION - THURSDAY 5 MAY AT 12 NOON
HOLY COMMUNION**

TOWER FLAG DAYS THIS MONTH



**ASCENSION - THURSDAY, 5 MAY
PENTECOST - SUNDAY, 15 MAY
TRINITY - SUNDAY, 22 MAY**

From the Registers



FUNERALS

8th April 2016 - Peter Jonathan KEMP (aged 83)

BAPTISMS

10th April 2016 - William Thomas Anthony HARRISON



Great things can grow from a small decision...

**Please Remember
DEDHAM PARISH CHURCH
in your Will**

GOD IN THE ARTS

HE GAVE US EYES TO SEE THEM - STAINED GLASS WINDOWS.

You may know the story of the little girl with her family during a guided tour around a cathedral. As the bright sun streamed through one of the windows, she asked the guide who were the people depicted there. 'Those are the saints,' he replied. Later that evening the girl told her mummy, 'I know who the saints are.' 'Do you, dear? Who are they?' the mother asked. The little girl replied: 'They are the people who let the light shine through.'



When the summer sun rises, its light catches the east window of a church I look after. It shines through the figures and colours of the Annunciation scene to bathe the chancel in a warm glow. Later as the sun sets, it shines once again through the west window showing Christ surrounded by angels, with the same wonderful effect. They are two stained glass windows by the Victorian designer, Kempe. But in St Mary's Church, Fairford in Gloucestershire, there are an incredible 28 windows of medieval glass that have survived the centuries and continue to astonish the visitor.

As the sun catches this array of windows, the colours take on a new, vibrant life. We see scenes in the life of our Lord and our Lady, Old Testament prophets, New Testament apostles and the communion of saints. The eye moves round and we reach the west window portraying Christ in majesty and the day of judgement. This great work has been attributed to the royal glazier, Barnard Flower, who was influenced by the late medieval illuminated prayer books. The windows are a living witness to his skill and faith.

George Herbert has a poem that calls us to shine out like the church windows. It is easy, he says, to be 'brittle crazy glass', but in God's good grace we can become like a window where colours and light, belief and life can combine and mingle to radiate out into the world.

Mouse Makes

It was the festival of **Pentecost**, 50 days since **Passover** and Jews from many countries had come to **Jerusalem** to celebrate.

The Apostles and other believers were all together in one place when they heard a sound like a strong **wind** and saw what looked like **tongues of fire** which spread out and touched each person.

All of them were filled with the **Holy Spirit** and began to talk in other **languages** as the Spirit enabled them.

A **crowd** gathered outside, they were all excited because each of them heard the believers speaking in their own language about the great things **God** had done.

About 3,000 people heard, believed and were baptised that day!

READ
the story in Acts 2:1-11
Which countries did the crowd come from?

ANGELSAGU
SCTPTOENE
RIFE
WID
VESPAROS
MLRJSSEUA
PHITRLYSON
DOG
GSNTTEOU
WORDC

The words in **bold** in the story have all been jumbled up in the picture, can you unjumble them?

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Ruth Higginson writes

P.C.C NOTES AND MEMBERS

Quinlan Terry, Richard Hopkins, Suzanne Woods, Be Burleigh, Antony Watson, Gabbie Watson, Ruth Higginson, Jo Hole, Briony Lawton, Brian Moore and Sue Vinter.

Thank you to those who attended the AGM on Sunday, 24 April.

PASTORAL TEAM

Ann Shaw, Lyn Al Sad, Ruth Higginson, Ian Sutherland, Sue Vinter. Anyone requiring lift to church please contact Ann Shaw on telephone ☎322192 or Ruth Higginson on ☎322598. Also if you are new to the village, or know of someone who would appreciate a visit from the pastoral team, please contact Ann Shaw on ☎ 322192.

BEREAVEMENT TEAM

Vee Druitt, Pam Tanner, Ruth Higginson, Tony Hughes. If you know of anyone who has been bereaved in the parish who would like a visit from one of our team please contact Vee Druitt on ☎322000 or Ruth Higginson on ☎322598.

MISSION TEAM

Lyn Al Sad, Ruth Higginson, Heather Tetchner. The first cake stall will be held in the porch of Dedham Parish Church on 14th May from 10-12 noon. We are always looking for volunteers to bake or to help on the stall. If you would like to volunteer to help contact Ruth on ☎322598. The dates for the rest of the year are: 25th June, 30th July, August Bank Holiday Monday, 24th September, 29th October.

FUNDRAISING TEAM

Forthcoming events: 30th June and 14th July at 2.30 pm in front of the church Afternoon Cream Tea. Bank Holiday Monday – All day cakes and sandwiches, teas and coffees in the church. There will be a bric-a-brac stall and book stall in front of the church. Big Breakfast in the Autumn – date to be decided.

NEWSROUND



Brantham's Annual Mega Charity Garage Sale

Saturday 11th June 2016

9.30am to 4.30pm

Open garages throughout the village will be selling a treasure trove of household items needing a new home, all at bargain prices. The Village Hall will host a **TABLE TOP SALE** with WI Refreshments, Handicrafts, Preserves and Plants.

BBQ, Tombola, Ice Cream Van and much much more...

WHY NOT MAKE A DAY OF IT, GRAB A BARGAIN AND HELP THE CHARITIES

More information from: Ronnie Dawson on ☎395557 or Yvonne Amoss ☎392296

Last year's grand total was £6000, half going to St Elizabeth Hospice (Carla Dawson's TributeFund) and the other half split between Clic Sargent, Lego Therapy at Brooklands School, the Maisie Hayward Charity and Woolverstone Wish at Ipswich Hospital.

Over the last 12 years we've raised over £36,400 for charity, but this year may be our last event unless we get more volunteers to help organise it.

Come along and help us make it a huge success.



FRIENDS OF DEDHAM CHURCH CHARITY GOLF DAY

Hintlesham Hall Golf Club
Tuesday 3rd May

Prizes kindly sponsored by The Hunnaball
Family Funeral Group
And

Hole in One Competition kindly sponsored by
Lancaster Toyota
Ipswich



WHAT'S ON: FILM

In the Assembly Rooms Dedham



Admission 7pm—Films begin 7.30pm
Tickets £4 (£2 for under 18s)
available from Shakespeare House Gallery
or online at www.dedhamfilms.co.uk

Wednesday
18 May 2016

WEST SIDE STORY (A)

Directed by Jerome Robbins
And Robert Wise (1961)



As part of the BFI Shakespeare Anniversary Festival 2016 we are showing this remarkable Leonard Bernstein musical. Shakespeare's ROMEO & JULIET provides the underlying story where the Gangs of New York City replace the feuding families of Verona. The songs have become legendary and the dance numbers are easily the most energetic and dynamic ever caught on film, marking a turning point in the history of the musical genre, with songs and recitative becoming seamlessly incorporated within the screenplay/script. It was (partially) shot on location in NYC, helping the atmospheric colour and vitality of this iconic classic film.



Sunday 12 June 2016

Come and help us celebrate
Queen Elizabeth II's 90th Birthday with
a special matinee screening of
Peter Morgan's

THE AUDIENCE

Starring Helen Mirren
and directed by Stephen Daldry
(all proceeds going to Dedham Primary School)



Admission 3.30pm —Screening begins at 4pm Tickets £10
from Shakespeare House Gallery or online at www.dedhamfilms.co.uk

Refreshments available before the Films & Screenings and in the intervals

Contacts: Jax Horswill 322328 or dedhamfilms@gmail.com

To find out more about Dedham Films visit www.dedhamfilms.co.uk

MUSIC continued

- ❖ **Sun 15 May:** 2.45 pm **Kingfisher Ensemble:** Violin, Cello & Piano; Lion Walk Church, Colchester.
- ❖ **Sat 21 May:** 7.30 pm **Eye Bach Choir:** *A Little Light Baroque*; Eye Town Hall. 7.30 pm **Aldeburgh Music Club:** Vivaldi choral music; Orford Church. 7.30 pm **WCC:** The Benyounes Quartet; St Mary's, Woodbridge.
- ❖ **Sat 28 May:** 7.30 pm **WCC:** Ruisi and Alke Quartets; St Mary's, Woodbridge.
- ❖ **Sun 29 May:** 6.30 pm **Kingfisher Sinfonietta:** Vaughan Williams, Delius, Beethoven; Framlingham College.
- ❖ **Mon 30 May:** 6 pm **Suffolk Villages Festival:** Handel & Purcell; St Peter's, Sudbury.
- ❖ **Sun 5 Jun:** 2.45 pm **Kingfisher:** Violin & Piano; Lion Walk, Colchester. 3 pm **Studio Music:** Bach's *Goldberg Variations* for guitar, violin and cello, Brightlingsea.
- ❖ **Thu 9 Jun:** 3.00 pm **Kingfisher:** Violin & Piano; Frinton Church.
- ❖ **10 Jun:** 7.30 pm **Pimlott Foundation:** Summer Cabaret; Old House, Great Horkesley.

OPERA/MUSICAL

- ❖ **Mon 25 Apr to 30 Apr:** 7.30 pm **Regent Theatre,** Ipswich: *Annie*.

**Aldeburgh Festival
10 to 26 June**

This year's focus is on birds, circus and pianos. The opening concert is *Illuminations*, Britten's song cycle inspired by Rimbaud's poetry.
www.aldeburgh.co.uk

- ❖ **Wed 27 Apr to 30 Apr:** 7.45 pm **New Wolsey,** Ipswich: *Laila*
- ❖ **Sat 30 Apr:** 5.55 pm **Metropolitan Opera New York - live link:** Richard Strauss's *Elektra*; Firstsite, Colchester.
- ❖ **Sat 7 May:** 8 pm **Aldeburgh:** *Pleasure*, a new opera commissioned by Aldeburgh Music, Opera North and The Royal Opera; Snape.
- ❖ **Mon 16 May:** 7.30 pm **Theatre Royal Bury** Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Tell Me on a Sunday*.
- ❖ **Mon 6 to 11 Jun:** 7.30 pm **Regent,** Ipswich: *Cats*.

BALLET/DANCE

- ❖ **Sat 7 May:** 5.30 pm **Mercury,** Colchester: Flamenco dancers.
- ❖ **Wed 18 May:** 7.15 pm **Royal Ballet - live link:** *Frankenstein*; Firstsite and Odeon Cinema Colchester

For details see: www.eamaa.org



Nina Stemme, *Elektra*, 30 April

Tracey Lovelock writes
**DEDHAM GUIDES
DUCK RACE**



1st Dedham Guides invite you to take part in the Dedham Duck Race on Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May at 12 Noon, at Mill Bridge, Dedham. The winning duck will win £50, and there will be homemade cakes, book and plant stalls. All funds will be in aid of Girlguiding and the entry fee is £1 per duck. For more information call ☎ **323521**.

DYING MATTERS WEEK

During Dying Matters Week (9-15 May), come along to Dedham Parish Church on Saturday 14th May between



10am-2pm. The Hunnaball Funeral Directors will be available along with a member of the clergy for you to ask any questions. Literature will also be available. Tea, coffee and cake offered on arrival.

Ann Shaw writes
DUCHY BARN

On Sunday, 5th June and on every subsequent 1st Sunday of the month, the Duchy Barn will be open from 2-3.30 p.m. for coffee, tea and fellowship. Bring your friends - all are welcome. We look forward to seeing you.

Chris Wheeler writes
DEDHAM QUIZ

The 15th Annual Dedham Quiz was held in the Assembly Rooms on the evening of 7th February. Quizmaster David Drutt posed 110 questions ranging from where is Mount Elbus? to which British tennis player won the ladies 1968 US Open? The cup was won by the Workers' Educational Association with another outstanding performance to add to their victory last year and several years ago. Entrance fees, net bar takings, raffle ticket sales and sundry donations resulted in £1,500 funds being raised to be split between two charities chosen by this year's organisers: Riding for the Disabled and Facing the World.

The organisers would like to thank David and his team of markers; John Osborn for running the bar, the local enterprises who donated many quality items to be raffled, and the 120 competitors who spent so generously. Final question: why did the Bishop of

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TERMS & CONDITIONS APPLY

PARISH COUNCIL

Nicola Baker writes

FOOTPATHS

There has been a longstanding problem with the footpath along the River Stour from Dedham to Flatford. At certain times of the year the footpath is simply too muddy and difficult to access. The reasons for this are complex and there are many different organisations involved. Dedham Parish Council has been actively involved in discussions with Essex and Suffolk County Councils, Babergh District and Colchester Borough Councils, East Bergholt Parish Council, The Dedham Vale and Stour Valley Project and local landowners and others to find a way to ensure that the footpath is accessible for those wishing to enjoy the beautiful landscape of the Dedham Vale.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

It was expected that Parish Council elections would take place in May. However, only eight people were nominated for a seat on Dedham Parish Council. As there are nine seats available this meant that the eight nominees were elected without the need for a ballot. If anyone else is interested in serving their community by becoming a parish councillor then please get in touch via the Clerk.

NEW BUS TIMETABLE

The new bus timetables are now up and running and all households should have received a copy of the timetable. In order for these extended services to the village to continue to run it is vital that they are used. Please consider

using the bus whenever possible.

BENCH RENOVATIONS

Benches at The Heath, Stratford Road and the High Street have been refurbished or replaced with the aid of funding from Colchester Borough Council.

WAR MEMORIAL

The Parish Council has applied to the War Memorials Trust for grant funding to allow the War Memorial to be professionally cleaned. This was last done in 2007 and is badly needed to restore the Memorial to its original colour.

LIGHTING

It was agreed at the April meeting to upgrade the Mill Lane lights to LED lights to improve efficiency and to provide more effective lighting for pedestrians walking to and from the car park. These lights are owned by the Parish Council. DPC has also requested that Essex County Council consider upgrading the lights in Parson's Field and Dedham Meade. It is planned to improve the lighting on the Sports Club and to request that the Duchy Barn Management Committee upgrade their light in an attempt to improve night time visibility along the Drift. It is recognised that lighting is a sensitive subject and any proposals for additional lighting in the village will be the subject of public consultation.

Date of next Parish Council Meeting:
Monday, 6 June at 7.30pm in Duchy Barn.
clerk@dedhamparishcouncil.org.uk

WHAT'S ON : MUSIC

Bury Festival 20 to 29 May

A varied ten-day programme of films music, theatre and exhibitions. High-lights include:

- ◆ Suffolk Philharmonic Orchestra playing Mozart, Grieg, Beethoven (22 May)
- ◆ The Sixteen, singing Byrd and Arvo Pärt (23 May)
- ◆ David Puttnam playing film music (May 2)

◆ Beethoven's Fifth symphony- played from memory by the Aurora Orchestra (27 May)

◆ Yolanda Brown, saxophone: *Reggae Love Songs* (27 May)



MUSIC

- ❖ **Sat 30 Apr:** 7 pm **University of Essex Choir:** Haydn's *Nelson Mass* & Vivaldi's *Gloria*; Snape Maltings, Aldeburgh. 7.30 pm **Kelvedon Singers;** Coggeshall Church.
- ❖ **Mon 2 May:** 1.10 pm **Theatre Royal Bury:** Anna Noakes (flute) With Gabriella Dall'olio (harp).
- ❖ **Sat 7 May:** 3 pm **Aldeburgh Music:** Mark Padmore sings Bach cantatas; Long Melford Church, and at Snape on 8 May. 7.30 pm **Colchester Symphony Orchestra:** St Botolph's, Colchester. 7.30 pm **Stowmarket Choral:** Mozart's *Coronation Mass*; The Apex, Bury. 7.30 pm **Woodbridge Chamber Concerts (WCC):** The Sacconi Quartet; Woodbridge Church.
- ❖ **Sun 8 May:** 3 pm **Studio Music:** Marmen Quartet, Brightlingsea. 7.30 pm **Headgate Theatre:** *Music on a Spring Evening*, Colchester National

Trust Group.

- ❖ **Fri 13 May:** 7 pm **Headgate:** classical guitar and jazz.
- ❖ **Sat 14 May:** 7.30 pm **Bury Bach Choir:** Elgar's *The Music Makers*; Bury Cathedral. 7.30 pm **Roman River Music:** Sergio Tiempo, piano; The Mercury, Colchester. 7.30 pm **Wolsey Orchestra:** Ipswich Corn Exchange.

Frinton Festival 2– 5 June

Six concerts in five venues include:

- ◆ String quartets by Wolf, Saint Saëns, Beethoven (2 Jun)
- ◆ Family Concert (4 Jun).
- ◆ Three singing cellists - from Coldplay to Vivaldi.

The three other concerts are sold out.

www.frintonfestival.com

WHAT'S ON: FILM, THEATRE

FILM

❖ **Sun 1 May:** 3 pm **Firstsite**, Colchester: *Bridge of Spies* dir. Stephen Spielberg.

❖ **Fri 6 May:** 8.00 pm **Firstsite:** *Carol*.

❖ **Mon 16 May:** 7.00 pm **Firstsite:** *The Lobster* 2015 dir. Yorgos Lanthimos

❖ **Wed 18 May:** 7.30 pm
Dedham Films: *West Side Story;*
Dedham Assembly Rooms.

THEATRE

❖ **Wed 27 Apr to 30**

Apr: 7.45 pm **Headgate, Colchester:** *Happy Days* by Samuel Beckett. 6.00 pm **The Mercury:** NT Connections - a series of short plays performed by young people from East Anglia

❖ **Thu 28 Apr:** 6 pm **The Mercury,** Colchester:

Torben Betts's *Invincible* to 30 Apr. 7.30 pm **Lakeside Theatre,** Colchester: *Arabian Nights...and Days!* The story of Scheherazade.

❖ 7.45 pm **New Wolsey,** Ipswich: *Lotty's War*, to 7 May;

❖ **Thu 5 to 7 May:** 7.30 pm **Theatre Royal Bury:** *Travels With My Aunt*, a four person enactment of Graham Greene's novel.

❖ **Fri 6 to 7 May:** 7.30 pm **The Mercury:** *Mrs Roosevelt Flies To London*.

Noël Coward
20 May



❖ **Tue 10 May:** 7.45 pm **Headgate:** *Many Moons* By Alice Birch, to 11 May; 7.45 pm: **London Classic Theatre :** Harold Pinter's *The Birthday Party;* Wolsey, Ipswich, to 14 May.

❖ **Wed 11 to 12 May:** 7.30 pm: **Pantaloons Theatre:** *The (almost) Complete History of Britain;* Theatre Royal, Bury.

❖ **Thu 12 May:** 7 pm **National Theatre - live link:** Arthur Miller's *A View From The Bridge;* Firstsite, Colchester.

❖ **Fri 13-14 May:** 8 pm **The Mercury:** *Love, Bombs and Apples* a comic one-man show.

❖ **Wed 18 May:** 7.45 pm **Colchester Theatre Group:** *Blue Remembered Hills* by Dennis Potter; Headgate, Colchester.

❖ **Fri 20 May to 4 Jun:** 7.30 pm **The Mercury:** *Private Lives* By Noël Coward.

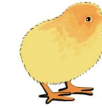
❖ **Tue 24 May:** 7.30 pm **Headgate:** *Two* by Jim Cartwright, to 25 May; **Fri 3 Jun:** 7 pm **RSC-live link:** *Hamlet* with Paapa Essiedu; Odeon, Colchester & on 8 Jun at Firstsite. ❖ **Tue 7 to 11 Jun:** 7.30 pm **Theatre Royal Bury:** *The Ladykillers*. Bury Theatre Workshop, based on the 1955 film.

❖ **Sun 12 Jun:** 4 pm **NT - live link:** *The Audience*, with Helen Mirren as HM The Queen; Dedham

DEDHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL

Laura Valentine writes

The spring term was a busy one at Dedham Primary with a wide range of exciting activities and events taking place.



Highlights for our youngest children would certainly have been activities linked to the natural world and hatching chicks in school would no doubt feature in the top three. A visit from Zoo4You also caused great excitement, especially the opportunity to hold snakes and see meerkats up close! The plant world was also explored in school as our youngest children in Reception grew daffodils, Class Two grew beans having been sent some magic beans by Jack and Class Six made their own mini composters.

We love role play and dressing up at Dedham Primary and the opportunity to step into character was one enjoyed by every member of the school as this year's Book Day theme was 'animals'. As always, costumes were incredibly imaginative and this year they included characters such as: Toad of Toad Hall, Paddington Bear, Tigger and Fantastic Mr Fox.



Fancy dress also supported work in history as children in Class Four became Celts and Romans for a play about Boudicca, Class Three became ancient

Egyptians for the day and Class One became Victorian children for a day in order to learn 'the Victorian way'.

In sport, Class Five and Class Six travelled to Colchester Garrison for an athletics afternoon and Class Three and Class Four had the opportunity to play squash. Our Class Three team came 3rd in a local tournament and our Class Four team finished in 1st place. Our Class Six team went on to compete in a county tournament and finished in a fantastic 2nd place! In March, we also held the first Dedham Primary cross country run with all children taking part in a long distance run. Every member of key stage two ran one mile around the village playing field and terrific effort and sportsmanship made it a really wonderful occasion.

...and that is just scratching the surface of last term! There was also: a Lego day when the whole school built an Olympic city out of Lego; a trip to the O2 Arena for the Key Stage Two Choir; a visit to Colchester Castle for Class Four; an infant music festival with five other local schools; performances by visiting professional musicians; Bible Explorer for Class Six and a First Aid course for Class Five! Let the summer term begin!



NOTICEBOARD

SUFFOLK BREAST CANCER NOW

Come and join us on either a 12 or 6 mile walk, on Monday 9th May, on the riverside through beautiful Constable Country and help to raise money and awareness for research into Breast Cancer.



The Walk starts from and finishes at the Boathouse Restaurant in Dedham and the cost ranges from £10 - £25.

Suffolk Breast Cancer Now is a charity committed to fighting breast cancer through research and awareness and has established the UK's first dedicated breast cancer research centre. For more information go to www.breastcancer.org
For further details and an application form please

DEDHAM ARTS GROUP SPRING EXHIBITION

LITTLEGARTH STUDIO, HIGH STREET,
DEDHAM

Saturday 28th –Monday 30th may

Admission is free and the exhibition is open every day from 10am-5pm



There will be a private view open to members and their friends on Friday 27th may at The Littlegarth Studio at 7pm

NOTICEBOARD

Liz Connelly writes

1ST ARDLEIGH CUB SCOUTS



We mix some of the traditional skills of scouting with some newer aspects of the modern world! The main task is to have fun whilst learning some important life skills. 2016 is the Centenary year for Cub Scouts and we have lots of activities planned with a number of camps, our first one in February. We have a few spaces available currently so if you are 8 – 10 ½ year old and would like to join us, please contact Akela (Liz) at either ardleighscoutgroup@outlook.com or on ☎07747 792392.

Lydia Polom writes

HIDDEN TREASURES

St Helena Hospice is inviting local people to showcase their gardens from March to August in order to raise money in support of its patients and their families.

The hospice recognises that lots of its supporters have beautiful gardens nestled away which have had a lot of hard work, time and effort put into, and it would love supporters to share their masterpieces in aid of its work. The community fundraising team will provide fundraising materials for anyone opening their garden as well as helping with advertising to the local community. An event raising just £25 could pay for a chaplaincy visit to provide a 'listening ear' to a patient, regardless of any religious beliefs. A small donation can make a large

difference. Find out more information at sthelenahospice.org.uk/opengardens16 or by calling the community team on ☎931468.

ST HELENA HOSPICE WILLS MONTH

Did you know that around 1 in 5 patients at St Helena Hospice are supported by a gift left in a Will. One person's decision to leave a gift, potentially many years ago, is having a vital impact on the care we provide now and hope to provide in the future.

Reverend Susan Wiggins' husband, Alan, died in the Inpatient Unit at Myland Hall in July, 2015. Susan explains how the care and support they both received made life dignified and bearable, then and now. she says: "It was not an easy road but St Helena Hospice helped to make that walk, that journey, tolerable. You have lost something very precious to you and St Helena at this time gave me something precious - the gift of time."

For anyone wishing to make their final wishes known, we have joined forces with some local solicitors from across north east Essex who are offering Will drafting appointments. They make your Will, waiving their normal fee and will instead ask for a suggested donation of either £90 for a single basic Will, or £150 for a basic mirror or double Will - every penny of which goes to the hospice! Find a list of participating solicitors at sthelenahospice.org.uk/makeawill and call Helen Scatola or Fliss Strode on ☎931468