CLUBS & SOCIETIES

Susanne Grimwade writes

SMARTY'S

Last month the children welcomed some guests in the form of guinea-pigs, a dog and a lamb as part of pets week. A trip is planned later in the term to visit the pigs near Munnings' Museum. Our Rising 5's session on Thursdays is proving as popular as ever. The aim is to prepare the children for school and in addition to the usual activities the children on a Thursday take part in a P.E session and also bring a packed lunch and stay for an extra hour.

Our next fundraising event is the Pedal Push. The children meet at the playing fields and are encouraged to cycle or scoot across the Drift and afterwards can enjoy a picnic. All funds raised will go towards the Smarty's summer outing.

Ian Rose writes

U3A STOUR VALLEY

The June lecture will be The Bayeaux Tapestry & The Overlord Embroidery an illustrated lecture by Ian Powys, and will be held on Wednesday 9 June at 2.15pm at the Constable Hall, East Bergholt.

George Berry writes

TABLE TENNIS CLUB

We hold coaching sessions, normally on a Monday from 7pm - 8.45pm and have a couple of spaces available for new people. If you would like to take up table tennis or refresh yourself from

previously having played, with a view to progressing to league competition standard. then please contact me **323 229.**



DEDHAM CHURCH WEDDINGS

If you wish to be married in Dedham Parish Church it is worth discussing your wedding plans with the Vicar (see p. I for contact details). Changes in marriage law means that it is possible for a man and a woman to get married in a parish church, even if neither live in the parish, if one of these apply:

BAPTISM: one of the couple was baptised or confirmed in the parish. (The man or the woman must have been baptised at some time, somewhere).

RESIDENCE: one of the couple, or one of their parents, has resided at some time in the parish for six months or more.

WORSHIP: one of the couple, or one of their parents, regularly attends public worship in this parish and has done so for six months or more.

MARRIAGE: parents or grandparents were married in the parish.

DIVORCED? In cases where either or both of the couple have been married before, it may be possible to arrange a Service of Blessing after a civil marriage.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.30 a.m.

Holy Communion BCP Every Sunday (not August)

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 Sundays

6.30 p.m.

Evening Prayer BCP

JUNIOR CHURCH

322 136

10.15 a.m.

Family Service in Church 1st Sunday in month

In the Assembly Rooms or Duchy Barn on all other Sundays during school terms

DEADLINE FOR **IULY EDITION:** 16 June

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CHURCH NOTICEBOARD





Re-Dedication of Chancel **10.30 a.m. Sunday 20 June** Thanksgiving for the Completion of the Refurbishment Project

You are invited on a Tower Tour

on Saturdays (all day) and Sundays (afternoons)
The Tour lasts about 45 minutes..

If you wish to book a group (with a maximum 20 at a time) then please contact the Parish Office:





From the Registers

BAPTISM

2 May 2010 Benjamin Samuel STONE 16 May 2010 Kate Rose MOORE

WEDDING

15 May 2010 David Andrew PINK & Rosalind Jane NOLAN21 May 2010 G. Euan McDOUGALL & V. Charlotte ASPLIN

FUNERAL

20 May 2010 Iris Dorothy WESTWOOD (88)

INTERMENT of ASHES

15 May 2010 George FULCHER (80)



SONGS OF PRAISE



Edward Bickesteth 1825-1906

Peace, perfect peace, in this dark world of sin? The blood of Jesus whispers peace within.

Hymns Old & New, 413

Edward Bickersteth (1825-1906) was vicar of Christ Church, Hampstead, when in 1875 he was staying with his family in Harrogate. His relative, Archdeacon Hill of Liverpool, was dying and, finding him troubled in mind, he

wrote for him these beautiful words. Bickersteth had been on a solitary walk on the moors, reflecting on that morning's sermon preached by the vicar, Canon Gibbon, which had had as its text: 'Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee' (Isaiah 26:3).

The hymn consists of a question and answer in each verse (except the last), although this is difficult to convey as it is sung unless, perhaps, it is sung antiphonally. This means that the inattentive are inclined to regard the first part of each verse, wrongly, to be a statement of fact. The hymn has been translated into many languages; Bickersteth himself heard it sung in Japanese and Chinese when, as Bishop of Exeter, he toured the Far East.

Later on, one of his sisters drew his attention to the fact that his hymn, beautiful as it was, contained no reference to the trial of physical suffereing. 'That is soon remedied', he replied, and wrote;

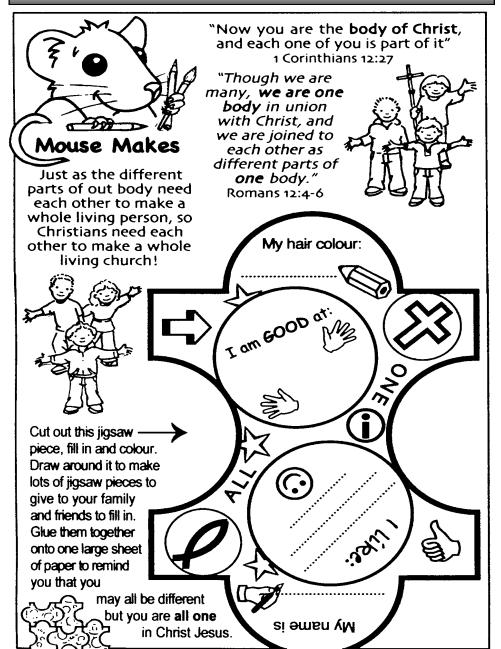
Peace, perfect peace, 'mid suffering's sharpest throes? The sympathy of Jesus breathes repose.

These additional lines did not carry the same appeal as the rest of the hymn and do not generally now appear in in hymn-books.

It was said of him that 'no bishop of our time has been so devoted to the foreign missionary enterprise and so identified with its interests as Bishop Bickersteth.' In 1900 he was weakened by influenza and tendered his resignation as bishop. He gradually weakened, and died in 1906, when he was laid to rest at Watton, in Hertfordshire, in the parish where he had been a child of the rectory.

The original tune was PAX TECUM, by G.T. Caldbeck (1852-1918), but it is now usually sung to the lovely SONG 46, by Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625).

YOUNG READERS





VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE

DOUBT & FAITH

Do you ever look at Christians and wonder: "Do they really believe that stuff? That Jesus really was the Son of God, that he rose again, and is alive today?" To ask such a question is an honest place to be - called 'doubt'. To believe is to be in one mind. To disbelieve is to be in one mind also. To doubt is to waver between the two minds, to be in a state of "doubleness," or "two-ness." To doubt something is to be willing to believe it — if you can be convinced.

If you are in this state of 'double-ness' just now, you may find the story of the disciple Thomas (in S. John 20:24-29) to be helpful. Unlike some of the other disciples, he was not present on

that first Easter night when Jesus appeared - after he had died. Instead, Thomas was told that someone whom he'd seen crucified and dead was alive again three days later, in perfect health. So despite the joy of the other disciples, Thomas could get only as far as: 'unless I see the nail marks... I will not believe it.'

It was a week later that Jesus appeared again to his disciples and confronted Thomas. He said simply: 'Put your finger here; see my hands... Stop doubting and believe.'

Thomas needed physical recognition of Jesus before he could say 'My Lord and My God.' That is not open to believers today. We have to make up our minds through something as authentic, 'spiritual recognition'.

Of course, some people have already made up their mind - that the Christian faith is 'beyond belief'. Still others are put off by the Church, or by some ministers or members. Yet by far the majority are undecided, either because they have never taken time to think about it properly, or because

when they have, there has been no answers to the questions. Today, if you want to believe, but honestly struggle with doubt, then you may consider using this prayer:

Lord Jesus,
I have never seen
you in person.
I sometimes doubt that you exist.
The Bible says that it
is only the Holy Spirit who can truly
open our 'spiritual eyes' in faith.
I ask you to do that for me.
I will read about you in the Bible.
Through your Word, please open
my spiritual eyes so that I can see
you as Christians say you are:
Jesus, the risen Son of God. Amen.

Gerard Moate Vicar & Lecturer Alan Stock writes

DEDHAM PARISH PLAN

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CONGRATULATIONS BETTY!

Dedham's Betty Cox is now the best senior lady golfer in Essex, after win-



ning the Joy Wooster Trophy at the Essex Ladies County Golf **Association Spring** Seniors Open meeting, at Bentley Golf Club, in April. Well done!

DEDHAM'S SCIENTIST HERO

Most visitors to Dedham have heard celebrate John Foster - all of whom were artists with Dedham connections. Few if any would have been able to name a famous scientist with a connection with our village - until now.

Dr. Vincenzo Recchia called by at the Vicarage last month, with details of Osborne Reynolds (1842-1912),

who was the son of a headmaster of Dedham Grammar School. Reynolds became an engineer and physicist, developing the understanding of electricity and magnetism. He was able



Osborne Reynolds

others had regarded as obscure or paradoxical. Among his more important discoveries was his work on lubrication which led to many practical inventions, such as bearings capable of carrying high loads at high speeds, and an understanding of the laws of flow of liquid in pipes. He showed that there is a 'critical velocity', at which the flow changes its character between 'streamline' and 'turbulent' flow. Part of the equation is still called a 'Reynold's Number'. He was awarded the Royal Society's Gold Medal in 1888. So now we have another Dedham hero!

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DEDHAM GUIDED WALKS

Take time to discover more about Dedham's fascinating and intriguing history from the Bronze Age, through Roman times and beyond to include its medieval wealth in the wool trade and, of course, its famous connection with England's greatest landscape painter, Iohn Constable.

Join our knowledgeable Guides on a walk through this charming village at the heart of the Dedham Vale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The walk concludes at Castle House, with an opportunity to see the impressive art collection at the former house and studio of Sir Alfred Munnings.

Tours will run on the following dates 2010

13 & 27 June 7 & 25 July 5, 15, & 29 August 12 & 26 September

Tours meet at Dedham Car Park at 2pm. Adults £5 Children (5-18 years) £2 Admission to the Art Museum is included.

The walks last around $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Distance about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Allow an hour to explore Castle House and for refreshing afternoon tea in the new Studio Tea-room. Book a place through Dedham Vale AONB and Stour Valley Project

☎ 01473 264 263

Bookings can be made online: www.dedhamvalestourvalley.org

NOTICEBOARD

A Date for your Diary - raising funds for the **Essex Air Ambulance**



Saturday 12 June

COFFEE MORNING

10 a.m. - 12 noon

AFTERNOON TEA

2.30 p.m. - 4.30 p.m.

If anybody would like to bake a cake for this event please could they leave it at the Church on the morning or phone Judith Fowle on **322 938** or Beth Mitchell on **322 072** as they would be happy to take a delivery.

Treasures of Lambeth Palace Library 400th Anniversary Exhibition 1610-2010

To celebrate 400 years since its foundation, Lambeth Palace Library is set to open its doors with a fascinating exhibition, 'Treasures of Lambeth Palace Library - 400th Anniversary Exhibition 1610-2010', opening in Lambeth Palace's Great Hall from Monday 17 May until Friday 23 July 2010.

On show will be key items collected during Lambeth Palace Library's four hundred years as a working library. Treasures include a *Gutenberg Bible*, 1455, the first book printed in Western Europe from movable metal type;

a 12th-century Lambeth Bible, one of the monuments of Romanesque art; and King Richard III's 15th century manuscript Book of Hours, which was in his tent at the Battle of Bosworth in August 1485!

Lambeth Palace Library, Lambeth Palace Road, London SEI 7JU. For further information and advance bookings (recommended), visit www.lambethpalacelibrary.org or 2087I 230 I 107

NEWSROUND

Antony Watson writes

KENYAN RECOLLECTIONS - 2

As we made our way towards Embu, we stopped for lunch at 'Blue Posts', in Thika, the setting for Elspeth Huxley's book *The Flame Trees of Thika*, which I had been reading on the plane out. It was there and where we had our first experience of bartering, in the adjoining craft village; not easy if you're not used to it.

The landscape changed to lush green, as we drove past banana plantations, then to the black-soiled flatlands of the rice growing areas, before arriving at Philadelphia Place, Embu. This Christian retreat and conference centre is built in the grounds of a retired Bishop's house, and comprises African rondavels, or round houses, arranged in a circle around a central communal building. Having been issued with the keys to our respective rondavels, we retired. I'm sure I wasn't alone in my feeling that, apart from the resident lizards and geckoes, I was alone, and a long way from home, and with many new adventures still ahead.

[To be continued.]



Laura Valentine writes

FOOD, GLORIOUS FOOD!

Food seemed to be the theme in school for the final weeks of the Spring Term and I don't refer only to the Easter eggs left in the school grounds for the reception children! Year Five impressed us with soup recipes and demonstrations at our first Farmers' and Craft Market. Year Six also impressed judges in a regional competition when they cooked a two-course meal using only British ingredients. Their sausage

casserole and fruit crumble won for the Primary School £250 worth of cooking equipment. Well done to all involved!

A 'Cookathon' competition was held across the country. The aim was to get competing schools to encourage people to cook the same meal on the same day. This year it was 'Tasty Tomato Pasta'. Each child had the opportunity to cook the dish during the school day. The children had a wonderful time cooking and eating it. Our thanks to Mrs Curtis who organised the event. £3,000 prize money will be divided between winning schools; we wait to hear whether we have been successful. The vegetable garden is now ready and waiting for the Growing Club to begin their green-fingered work this term. Children aged four to eleven will work with Miss Wright and Mrs Fitch to grow their vegetables. I certainly look forward to tasting the results!

NEWSROUND

Dedham Films

Do you find yourself missing the films you really want to watch? Perhaps you're too busy to keep track of what is on? Or maybe the film you really wanted to see just didn't get to this area? There is now an exciting solution - in September Dedham Films is being launched at the Assembly Rooms. Using wide screen and digital projection, our aim is to offer an extensive range of titles to suit all tastes. For £3.50 you will be able to sit back and watch a film each month, with refreshments served prior to the screening and during the interval. It will give people the chance to discuss the film and catch up with friends from here and in neighbouring villages. **Dedham Films** will be non-profit making, with any surplus funds used to create extra events such as Saturday morning shows for children or family afternoon events.

Tickets will be on sale in the Dedham Bookshop, with listings featured in the *Parish Magazine* to keep you informed.

If you are interested in helping us set up this new venture we would love to hear from you. On the night of each show, for example, we will need extra help with serving the refreshments and

taking tickets. We would also like to hear your views and any suggestions for future screenings.



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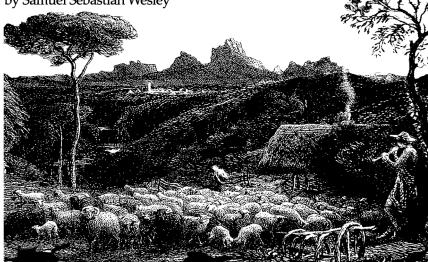
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To find out more about the screenings or **Dedham Films** visit our website **www.dedhamfilms.co.uk**



MUSIC FOR A SUMMER EVENING

Music by English composers including favourite romantic part-songs by Sullivan, Parry and Stanford, folksong arrangements by Alan Bullard, and the *Choral Dances* from *Gloriana* by Benjamin Britten, with organ music by Samuel Sebastian Wesley



Saturday 26th June 2010 at 7.30 pm Dedham Parish Church Tickets £12 (concessions £10) from Manns Music, Colchester; Dedham Bookshop; Post Office Stores, Stratford St. Mary; www.colchesterchoralsociety.co.uk or choir members Registered Charity No. 278894

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Pixie Cottage Weekend

Brook Street, Dedham

FRIDAY 25 JUNE COFFEE MORNING
10.30am - 12 noon

Produce * Cake Stall * Plants * Raffle

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SATURDAY 26 & SUNDAY 27 JUNE
THIS & THAT SALE & BOOKS

Something for everyone! 10-00am - 5-00pm * In the garden & marquee *

Sally Noyes Fund in aid of St. Helena Hospice Registered Charity No. 280919











Come and meet other parents and carers and their children at our free session of Messy Play.

There's no need to book, we look forward to meeting you!

For more information please contact Ailsa or Michelle on 07545 423309.

ASSEMBLY ROOMS, DEDHAM 2pm - 3pm 3 & 17 JUNE, 1 & 15 JULY

PARISH COUNCIL

Roy Laverick writes

DEDHAM VALE HOPPA BUS

Discussions are still taking place regarding possible re-introduction of the popular Dedham Vale 'Hoppa Bus'. It linked Dedham with Manningtree railway station, East Bergholt and Stratford St. Mary. Over the years, suitable funding to subsidise the bus (which is essential if the service is to operate again) has failed to materialise It now looks, however, as if the Stour Valley and Dedham Vale Project (who administer the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty) may be able to help. The Council awaits developments with interest, and continues to canvass for the resumption of a service, ideally following a route that connects to the East Bergholt medical centre.

COUNTY 'BITE+' CARD

Younger readers may be interested in the **Bite+** card, now available to 5-19 year-olds living in the Borough of Colchester. It will entitle them to travel at half the adult fare on buses anywhere in Essex, regardless of the time of day. There is no charge for the card, and application forms are available from secondary schools, cinemas and various other locations. See the Essex County Council website, www.essexcc.gov.uk or **845** 603 7626.

NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be at **7.30 pm.** on **Wednesday**, **9 June** in the Assembly Rooms.

Alan Stock writes

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PAST TIMES

Ten Years Ago June 2000

- **STUART WILSON** 'Stuart who for many years was our church organist and choirmaster was licensed as a Lay Reader at Chelmsford Cathedral...it is hoped to see his familiar figure back in Dedham Church from time to time...'
- NEW CLASSROON OPENED 'The new classroom as Dedham C.E. Primary School was officially opened, the purpose built addition to the school looks as if it has always been there. The extra facilities offered are greatly appreciated by parents, staff and infant pupils.'
- **BARCLAYS BANK** Closure of the bank (in May) was a significant event.

Fifty Years Ago June 1960

- ♦ **DEDHAM OLD BOYS' F.C.'**...has just celebrated its 50th anniversary... in the beginning the club was known as Dedham F.C. and it was not until after the first World War that the title of the club was changed to Dedham Old Boys.'
- ♦ AMERICAN VISITORS 'representatives of organisations in the village are planning to give a welcome to twenty four young people from Dedham, Mass., U.S.A., who are due to arrive here on Sunday, 17 July.

A Century Ago June 1910

- ♦ MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR EDWARD VII 'The Memorial Service for his late Majesty King Edward VII was held on Friday, May 20th, at the same hour which had been appointed for the Funeral at Windsor. A muffled peal was rung for an hour previously, the Dedham Contingent of the Territorials assembled in the street and marched to the Church, as did also the Members of the Friendly Societies. The solemn service and large congregation testified to the loyalty and affections of the nation for its King, who will be known for all generations as "Edward the Peacemaker".'
- ♦ SPECIAL CHURCH COLLECTION On 20 May1910, £5.8s.3d (£412) was given in a collection for Essex and Colchester Hospital.



Lorry accident and Old Tollgate House, Gun Hill, Dedham n.d.

Dedham Mill



Two postcards from the Dedham album (of over 200 cards) which was part of the collection of the late David May and purchased for the Muniment Room archives in March 2010.

WANTED

If you have photographs or other memorabilia that would not be wanted by your family, please approach the *Muniment Room Society* before permanently disposing of anything.

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