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SUNDAY SERVICES

8.30 a.m.
Holy Communion BCP

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

5 p.m.
Re:Vive @5
4th Sunday in month

6.30 p.m.
SUMMERTIMING
Evening Prayer BCP
1st Sunday in month

JUNIOR CHURCH

10.30 a.m.
Family Service
1st Sunday in month
In groups on other Sundays
during school terms

**DEADLINE FOR
JULY EDITION:
13 June**

SPECIAL, ADDITIONAL, OR CHANGES TO SERVICES OF WORSHIP :

Sunday 3 June



10.30 a.m. Diamond Jubilee Civic Celebration

During this service an augmented Parish Church Choir will sing the Coronation anthem *Zadok the Priest*.

TOWER FLAG DAYS THIS MONTH



Sunday 3 June *Trinity Sunday*

Tuesday 5 June

H.M. Queen's Diamond Jubilee



From the Registers



WEDDINGS

5 May 2012 Paul Gerald BAGLEY & Anna Clare KISBY
26 May 2012 Daniel Stephen MILLS & Laura Rebecca LOEFFLER

MEMORIAL SERVICE

26 April 2012 Robert Ian Handscomb WOODS (74)



Great things can grow from a small decision...

**Please Remember
Dedham Parish Church
in your Will**

GOD SAVE OUR GRACIOUS QUEEN

For all the criticism that the Church of England receives, it is worth noticing how much the Queen values and appreciates it. She attends services at Windsor and Sandringham not out of obligation or duty but because she wants to do so. I once knew a Royal Chaplain and he shared this with me.

In a speech at Lambeth Palace in February, the month which saw the Queen reach the Diamond Jubilee of her reign, she was reflecting on the role of the Church of England today when she said that the concept of an established Church was '*occasionally misunderstood*' and '*commonly under-appreciated*'. Addressing a reception of at which there were representatives of all the main faiths found in our land, she said that the Church of England had '*gently and assuredly*' created an environment for faith communities and people of no faith to live freely, for '*woven into the fabric of this country, the Church has helped to build a better society.*'

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Williams, in his final few months of office, said as he welcomed HM The Queen, '*If we take seriously the way our constitution works, the United Kingdom is a society where we might expect people to grasp the importance of symbols and traditions, not as a sign of mere conservatism or nostalgia but as a sign of what holds us together.*'

His predecessor, William Temple, once observed that the Church exists for the benefit of its non-members, and in Dedham this is clearly true. Less than 200 different people worship in the church on Sundays in the course of a month - but hundreds more walk through its doors, even in the coldest months, to appreciate something of the beauty of holiness, of the Christian faith and sustaining stewardship to which our parish church bears witness.

There are some occasions in the story of our nation which bring us all together, regardless of our many differences. You don't have to be a Christian to come into Church, any more than you have to be a Royalist to appreciate and give thanks for the sixty years of service and example which HM The Queen has given to our nation and to the wider Commonwealth.

Over the Jubilee weekend there will be several opportunities for the people of this village to come together. The programme for Sunday 3 June is to be found elsewhere in this magazine.

I also extend a personal invitation to all who live in Dedham (some 1,850 of you) to the special Civic Celebration service at 10.30 a.m. Do come early, as only the first 450 or so will get a seat!

Gerard Moate
Vicar & Lecturer

**The colour printing of this issue has been sponsored by Milsom Hotels Ltd.
The Milsom family celebrate 60 years of hospitality in Dedham this year.**

Jonathan Hunt writes

JUBILEE THAMES FLOTILLA

[Jonathan, who worships in our parish church, will be taking part in this national event. Here he tells us why...]

I am the privileged skipper of one of the 'little ships of Dunkirk'. Her name is *Ferry Nymph* (the original name). She was built in 1938 as a 40' harbour ferry for Poole and, requisitioned by the Admiralty in 1940, she completed two voyages from Dunkirk to Ramsgate. On the first she carried 72 troops and the second 90. Thereafter she was used as a supply boat until *Operation Dynamo* was concluded. Churchill said it would be a miracle if 50,000 troops were evacuated; in all 340,000 out of 400,000 troops were evacuated from the beaches. *Ferry Nymph* will be taking part in the Thames Pageant. Look out for her!

Ann Cannon writes

DUCHY BARN SHED RESTORED

The Duchy Barn Shed has in recent years fallen into a state of disrepair and had become uninsurable. The shed is one of the oldest buildings in Dedham and was originally a cart lodge for the nearby farm of a Manor House. The Parish Council, who rent the building from the Vicar and Churchwardens, took on the project to restore the building. The only way to preserve the building was carefully to take it down and re-build it using as much of the original brickwork and tiles which, it is



believed, were made in Dedham. Some of the bricks were etched by schoolchildren when the shed formed part of the old Grammar School. A local builder, Peter Gibbins, took on this task. With planning permission the new building has been re-designed internally so that a portion of it can be accessed directly from the Duchy Barn. Dedham Youth Club now store their equipment out of the way of the main area in the Barn, making a bigger area safer and available for community use.

Laura Valentine writes

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Fortunately Class 2 were granted six hours of rain-free skies so that they could enjoy their visit to Colchester Zoo at the beginning of May. During a packed day, the children learned a great deal about African animals and in particular about meerkats, warthogs and lions; the main characters in the film *The Lion King* which is the class's topic this term. Class 2 will shortly be emailing our link school in Embu, Kenya, to gain further information to support their geography and science work on Kenya and plants.

Roy Laverick writes
PARISH CLERK

Mrs Jean Flewin, who has served Dedham for many years as Parish Clerk, has decided to retire. Jean will be a hard act to follow, and the Parish Council is seeking a successor. We hope that the new Clerk will be someone who knows Dedham well, and ideally is involved to some extent in village life. They must have basic secretarial skills, and be computer literate. On-the-job training will be provided, and the post carries a modest remuneration.

If this position interests you, and you want more details, then please phone Roy Laverick on 323 184. All applicants for the post should write to: The Chairman, Dedham Parish Council, 2 Ivy Cottages, Long Road West, Dedham, Colchester CO7 6EL by **Tuesday, 12 June 2012**, detailing their suitability for the job and any other information that they think may be relevant. Applicants will be interviewed by a small Parish Council committee, after which the successful candidate will be chosen.

FIRST RESPONDERS

First Responders is a group of volunteers who respond to emergency ambulance service, primarily to give first aid to heart attack victims until an ambulance arrives. In the event of a heart attack the chances of survival are greatly increased if treatment is given within the first eight minutes.

Such a team already operates in Stratford St Mary and they also cover call outs to Dedham, but they need more volunteers to provide full-time cover. Volunteers typically provide cover for a few hours each week and call outs for this area are thankfully rare, only one or two a month. To volunteer you need to be physically fit, have a full driving licence and be prepared to undertake training. This is quite straightforward and the equipment is very easy to use. If you are interested please contact Sue Lawrence on 322 066.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held at **7.30 pm on Wednesday, 13 June** in the **Assembly Rooms**.



HOME WORDS CORONATION

JUNE 1953



GOD BLESS

By the Rev.

WHEN Her Majesty our Queen reached her twenty-first birthday she broadcast a memorable message to her country. It was at once a proclamation and a promise—a proclamation of her faith in Almighty God and a promise of dedicated service throughout her life. There were few people who foresaw at the time that she would be called so soon to implement that promise in the highest of all human offices.

England has been fortunate in her monarchs. For the most part they have proved an inspiration and an example. To this, their long and arduous training, added to their personal qualities, have contributed in no small degree. But we must never overlook the power of the Coronation Service which, as a calling down of God's grace, closely resembles the Ordination Service.

There is also a close parallel between the Coronation Service and a wedding ceremony. What really happens at a wedding is that a man and woman make a solemn contract with each other in the presence, and with the blessing, of Almighty God. The Coronation Service is the time when the Queen and her people make a solemn contract with each other in that same presence and with that same blessing.

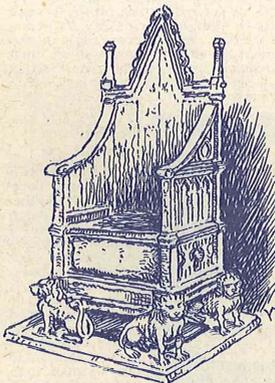
In a world where change and decay have become all too closely associated, there is considerable virtue in the mere fact that it is in England where apparently the Christian Coronation Rite had its origin that it has survived the longest. But mere longevity is the least of its virtues. Its meaning is much more important. For it explicitly teaches that a Christian monarch is no irresponsible despot but a leader whose position depends on service and goodwill. This fact emerges at many points in the service.

After the Archbishop of Canterbury has presented the Queen to her people and they have accepted her by acclamation, there follows a solemn supplication, the Creed and a Sermon.



H.M. Queen Elizabeth II
(from the painting by Ludmilla Trapp)

Those who knew the preaching capacity of seventeenth century divines directed that this was to be "short and suitable to the occasion." It is at this point that the Queen makes the oath whereby she promises protection and peace to the Church, the repression of all rapacity and iniquity and



The Coronation Chair

OUR QUEEN

Dewi Morgan

the tempering of justice with mercy "in order that to me and you a clement and merciful God may vouchsafe His pardon."

It is significant that even when the Queen is making her promises there is the reminder that they and their effects cover "me and you." She does so not in any private capacity but as a representative of her people. Similarly, when the Archbishop reaches the great Benediction immediately before the Queen is enthroned, while in the first instance it is directed upon the Queen personally, it later widens out to include her reign and finally the nation at large.

To occasion the Coronation service as an regard when the Queen makes promises exclusive to herself and receives grace exclusive to herself is rather like regarding the marriage ceremony as an occasion when the man is the only active partner. If we give this solemn moment the prayer and attention it deserves, we shall find that when the Queen comes out of Westminster Abbey this month something important will have happened to us also.

We Christians must see to it that the great fact of our Faith is constantly kept in the forefront. During this great period we should be able to dedicate ourselves anew to God's service. But we must not let the dedication end with our worship in Church or in the Christian acts we perform day by day.

Why should we not see to it that this year marks the time when every facet of our activity is offered anew to God? In our pleasures, as well as in our work, we can and must be practising Christians. There is plenty of room for a more Christian approach to our sport, to our amusements, to our use of leisure, to our work. This is the opportunity to hallow them all. It is a clarion call not only to the clergy and leaders of the nation. It is a call to the film star and the professional footballer, to the rich and the poor. It is a call to YOU.



**DEDHAM VILLAGE
CELEBRATES
H.M. THE QUEEN'S
DIAMOND JUBILEE**
on
SUNDAY 3 JUNE 2012



10.30 am **CIVIC SERVICE**
*in the Parish Church which will be specially decorated
to mark the Diamond Jubilee Royal Tours of the Commonwealth*



1.30 pm **VILLAGE CRICKET MATCH**
'Gentlemen of Dedham v Players of Dedham'



2 pm **DEDHAM TENNIS CLUB**
'American Tournament'



2 pm **THAMES RIVER PAGEANT**
*in the Assembly Rooms
Live broadcast on the big screen*



6 pm **BIG JUBILEE PICNIC**
on the Playing Fields

*Bring your own picnic, choose your space
and be ready to share with your friends and neighbours.*

*There will be a Hog Roast, Bar and a Pimms' Gazebo
available for those who wish to purchase.*

To end the day

9.45 pm **GRAND FIREWORK DISPLAY**
+ A SURPRISE



directed by Ian Ray

**Handel's
ACIS & GALATEA**
with Colchester Sinfonia

Dedham Church
Saturday 23rd June 2012 at 7.30 pm

Handel's 'serenata', his first dramatic work in English, has been enchanting audiences with its wit and sparkling music since 1718.

Tickets £12 (£10 under 18s and over 60s)
from Manns Music, Colchester;
Hood Newsagents, Dedham;
or www.colchesterchoralsociety.co.uk

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for children aged 0-3 years
10 a.m. – 12 p.m. every Tuesday
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MISSION BAKE HOUSE

There will be a cake, produce
and African crafts stall in the
porch of Dedham Parish Church
on Saturday 30 June from 10am
– 12 Noon. The money raised
will be going to a missionary
family in Uganda, also Beacon
House - a charity for homeless
people in Colchester, and a
school in Kenya. Please support
us. If you are able to help by
joining our team of bakers or
even supplying the flour, butter
or eggs please ring Ruth on 322
598. Our next date for the stall
will be 28 July.



St. Mary's Parish Church, Dedham



Coronation Number

June, 1953

Coronation Day **June 1953**

◆ MY DEAR FRIENDS,

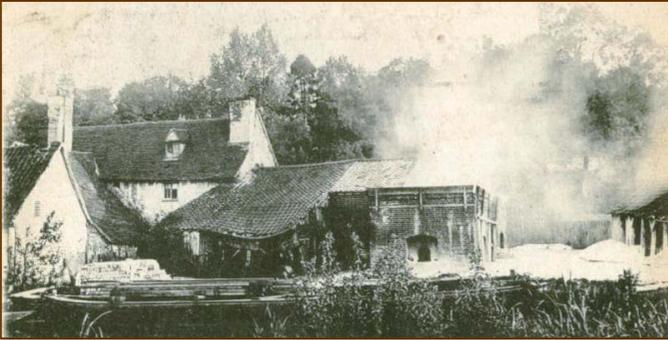
The Coronation of our beloved Queen Elizabeth will take place on June 2nd. Only a few out of the many millions can be present in Westminster Abbey for the service but, with the aid of television and wireless broadcasting, the whole world will be able to take part in the Coronation with her. The Coronation of our queen has world-wide interest, but not everyone will appreciate the spiritual significance of the occasion. All truly Christian people will, and articles in newspapers, journals and special broadcast programmes, outlining the main elements of the service, will already have prepared our minds to understand that Her Majesty can only effectively rule over us by the grace and power of the Holy Spirit which will be bestowed upon her at her Coronation.

*When the Queen broadcast last Christmas Day, she said something which appealed to the hearts of all her people. You will remember that she referred to the time of her Coronation and said: "I want to ask you all, whatever your religion may be, to pray for me on that day". This was her direct request to all of us to help her as she takes part in the most solemn ceremony of her reign. I know you will pray for our Queen during the solemn moments of the ceremony, but I invite all who are confirmed to come to the service of Holy Communion at 7.45 a.m. on the great day. We shall pray then that our beloved Queen may be given strength of body and mind to meet all the demands which will be made upon her. There will be another service, a United Service, at 2.45 p.m. This service will coincide with the time of our Queen's departure from Westminster Abbey and it will give us all an opportunity to dedicate ourselves to God's purpose in our new Queen's reign. The Archbishop of Canterbury has asked that when the hymn "All people that on earth do dwell" is being sung in the Abbey, we, too, will stand and join in. Let us indeed sing to the Lord with cheerful voice and above all pray
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.*

God Bless you all,

Yours very sincerely,

A.R. JOHNSTON, Vicar.



In about 1926, the year HM The Queen was born, when it was the village 'Lime Kilns'

Soon after 1952, when the Milsom family opened a Roadhouse on the 'main Colchester - Ipswich Road'



In 2012, celebrating 60 years of this family business of hospitality in Dedham



JUNE, 1953

Coronation Programme

- 7.45 Celebration of Holy Communion
- 2.45 Short Service for members of all Churches
- 3.30 CHILDREN'S GAMES
- 4 p.m. Cricket Match in Costume
Tea and Entertainment for Old Folk
- 6.30 The Children welcome Elizabeth I to Dedham
- 7.45 TUG-of-WAR
Dedham v. East Bergholt at Fen Bridge
- 8.20 *Fancy Dress Competition*
ADULTS: Original ; Comic ; Attractive
CHILDREN : " " "
(Two prizes for each competition)
- 8.55 Broadcast by the Prime Minister
- 9 p.m. H.M. The Queen. (National Anthem)
- 9.30 *Dancing, Modern and Old Time*
- 10.30 Community Singing. Bonfire
- 11 p.m. FIREWORKS

In the evening, performances will be given in the Hewitt Hall by the Dedham Players. Times of performances will be announced by loud speaker.

Opera al Fresco!
 Sunday 15 of July 2012
 Old House
 Old House Road
 Great Horkesley
 Colchester
 CO6 4EQ



An opera experience around the gardens of Old House .
 Bring your own picnic, but please support the Pimlott Foundation by
 purchasing your wine from us on the day.

(In the event of bad weather the performance will take place in The Barn)
 Tickets £15 includes a complimentary drink (children free)

To reserve your ticket please contact Daniela Bechly 01206 271 291
 Or email to daniela@pimlottfoundation.org
 Pimlott Foundation Reg Charity No 1122550

Dedham Duck Race



In aid of Girlguiding supporting
 the Guide & Rangers Locally

5 June (Bank Holiday Tuesday)
 at 12 o'clock

Starting at Mill Bridge, Dedham

£25 for the first duck
 crossing the finish line

Entry is £1 per duck
 please call Tracey Lovelock
 323 521
 or Ann Bailey 230 404



MUSIC

ST JOHN'S CHURCH
GREAT WENHAM
Between Colchester & Ipswich



How can I keep from singing?
MUSIC FOR A SUMMER'S EVENING
IN AID OF THE BRITISH RED CROSS

WITH

THE CHORISTERS OF
JESUS COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE

Directed by Mark Williams

FRIDAY 22 JUNE 2012

7.30pm

TICKETS £12

available from Jonathan Hunt 01473 310 441

jp.hunt@btinternet.com



**August Bank Holiday Event
Monday August 27 2012
Dedham Park and Duchy Barn
In aid of fund raising for Dedham
Youth Club.**

On 27 August 2012 Dedham Youth Club will be reviving the traditional Bank Holiday Event on the village green.

There will be lots of stalls, a bouncy “village”, food, displays, competitions, drink and music.

The event will run from 10am until 4pm. If you would like to have a stall on the day please contact hayleyaherne@hotmail.co.uk or call Hayley on 01473 328 695. There will be a charge of £20 per stall.

Sponsorship and donations of raffle prizes would be gratefully appreciated. Please put the date in your diary and join us for the event, it promises to be a great day.

Planning for the day is well underway and more help is always needed if you would like to get involved please contact Nors Jackson on 01206 323 822 or Helen Carey on 01206 230 854.



If you have a child who is between the ages of 2 ½ and 5, Smartys Pre-School in Dedham is now taking bookings for September. Staff at Smartys are experienced, well qualified and friendly, and follow the Early Years Foundation Stage, enabling learning through play. Smartys offers a very

good grounding for children starting school the following academic year, with strong links with Dedham Primary School. We are open Monday to Friday during term time from 9.30 to 12.30, Government funded spaces are available to children over 3 years. For further information contact Tina on 323 412 or visit our website www.smartys.org.uk.

CONCERTS NEAR DEDHAM IN JUNE

Thu, Jun 7

Coggeshall Church: Lunchtime
Concert:, CO6 IUD at 12:30
Colchester Operatic Soc.: *Jubilee*
concert: Kingsland Church,
Lexden, CO3

St Botolph's Music Society:
Celebration concert: Colchester,
CO2 7EE

Fri, Jun 8

Studio Music: Violin, cello,
accordion trio:, Brightlingsea, CO7
0SX at 20:30

Sat, Jun 9

Kingfisher Sinfonietta: Barber;
Brahms; Gershwin: Tchaikovsky:
Lion Walk Church, Colchester,
CO1 1LX at 19:30

Sat, Jun 16

Essex Symphony Orch:
Tchaikovsky: Siibelius St Nicholas
Harwich, CO12 3DR

Sat, Jun 23

Colchester Choral Society:
Handel, *Acis & Galatea*: Dedham
Church, CO7 6DE at 19:30

Sun, Jun 24

Witham Choral Society: Haydn,
Nelson Mass: St Nicholas Harwich,
CO12 3DR

Fri, Jun 29

Studio Music: *Gypsy Jazz*:,
Brightlingsea, CO7 0SX at 20:30



Dedham Air Ambulance Day
Saturday 7 July 2012

Once again Coffee & Biscuits will be served in the Parish Church
10am -12.30pm
and Tea & Homemade Cakes
2-5pm

and there will be collecting tins in the High Street
If we collect 1 p for each person in the Parish it would amount to £20.
10p would make £20.00 and so on It costs in the region of
£250,000 PER MONTH to keep the Air Ambulance flying so if we
want it to help us, please help us to help it!



Dedham Films

Dedham Films
in the Assembly Rooms, Dedham

Wednesday 20 June

The Artist 

Evening Begins 7pm
Film Begins 7.30pm

Wednesday 18 July
Hugo (U)

Tickets £3.50

Refreshments are available
Before the film and during the
interval
Come and join friends
For a great night out

Contacts

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
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(opposite the bookshop)
Jax Horswill 322328
Jacqui Freeman 322263
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The Artist

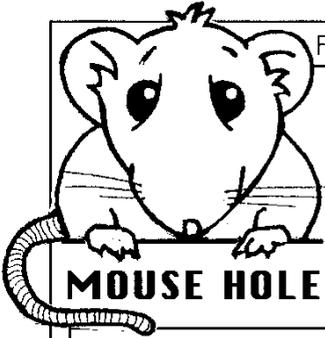


Director: Michel Hazanavicius (2011)



The Artist is a French romantic comedy drama in the style of a black-and-white silent film. The film was written and directed by Michel Hazanavicius and stars Jean Dujardin and Bérénice Bejo. The story takes place in Hollywood, between 1927 and 1932, and focuses on the relationship of an older silent film star and a rising young actress, as silent cinema falls out of fashion and is replaced by the “talkies”.

Outside a movie premiere, enthusiastic fan Peppy Miller literally bumps into the swashbuckling hero of the silent film, George Valentin. The star reacts graciously and Peppy plants a kiss on his cheek as they are surrounded by photographers. The headlines demand: “Who’s That Girl?” and Peppy is inspired to audition for a dancing bit-part at the studio. However as Peppy slowly rises through the industry, the introduction of talking-pictures turns Valentin’s world upside-down.



MOUSE HOLE

This is a Roman puzzle square, it reads the same whether you start from the top or bottom.



It says 'Arepo the sower holds the wheel tightly' and may refer to Mark 4:1-20. If you rearrange the letters it can spell:

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A P A T E R N O S T E R O

PATER NOSTER means 'Our Father'.

What words can you make from the puzzle square?

From my home in the church I learn about all sorts of things...

God, Our Father

It was Jesus who taught us to call God our 'Heavenly Father'. When the disciples asked Jesus how to pray he said:



*"When you pray, go to your room close the door and pray to your Father who is unseen. And your Father who sees what you do in private, will reward you...
...This then is how you should pray:
Our Father in heaven..."*

 **Read Matthew 6:9 - 15**

The word Jesus used for 'father' was 'abba' which is like our word for 'daddy'.

Jesus once told a story about a father and his two sons.

 **Read Luke 15:11 - 24**

Jesus told this story to help us to understand about God being a loving and forgiving father.

"Since we are God's children, we will possess the blessings he keeps for his people"

The Apostle Paul explained that when we become a Christian we become one of God's children, and by the power of the Holy Spirit we can call to God "Father! my Father!"

 **Read Romans 8: 15 - 17**



Make a special certificate or award for your Dad (or anyone in your family) to show them how much you love them.



When finished roll up and tie with ribbon.



**God save our gracious Queen,
 Long live our noble Queen,
 God save the Queen.
 Send her victorious, happy and glorious,
 Long to reign over us: God save the Queen**

Hymns Old & New No. 177

Should our National Anthem properly be regarded as a hymn? It is addressed to the Almighty and it appears in almost every major hymn-book, so it certainly is a hymn. As this month sees the international celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of H.M. The Queen, which seems reasons enough to repeat this choice (it was last featured in 2009).

The origins and authorship of this hymn are obscure. It first appeared in the form we now know it (with ‘King’ and ‘him’ in the appropriate places) in the *Gentleman’s Magazine* in October 1745, where it was described as having been sung in several London playhouses. This was at the time of the Jacobite rising (“Bonnie Prince Charlie”) and it seems likely that the song was initially an anthem for Hanoverian loyalists.

The words have been attributed to a Henry Carey (?-1743), the poet who was also said to be responsible for the words and music of the popular song *Sally in our Alley* (which Gracie Fields sang during the 1940s). Other authorities attribute the tune to Dr John Bull (?-1628), who was organist at Antwerp Cathedral. Indeed, a French song, uncannily similar in language, structure and metre, was sung at the court of Louis XIV in 1686.

A distinctly “xenophobic and bellicose” (i.e. foreigner-hating and war-like) verse is usually omitted. In 1836 William Hickson (1803-70), a London boot manufacturer turned social reformer, re-wrote the verses to better reflect Christian principles. It is from his version that the present third verse is taken:

**Not on this land alone —
 But be Thy mercies known
 From shore to shore.
 Lord, make the nations see that all humanity
 Should form one family the wide world o’er.**

Natalie Perillo writes

EPPa GROUP

Enriching the school experience for pupils and families associated with the Dedham C.E. Primary School.

The date of the next National Trust family walk and picnic has been fixed as Sunday 17 June. The walk will be led by National Trust Guide and parent, Mark Cable. Mark will take you to some of the lesser known sites that Constable painted and retrace his route to school across the Dedham Vale. The route will start from Dedham car park and will walk up to East Bergholt taking a circular route back to the car park. The total route will be around 3.5 miles long.

All parents and friends of the Primary School are welcome to join. The walk will be followed by a picnic at the DEN site (weather permitting!). A small donation of £5 per family is requested, which will go towards maintaining and improving the DEN site. For further details of the walk and any general EPPa queries, please contact Katherine Montgomery on 321 024 or email: Katherine@themonties.force9.co.uk.

Martin Broom writes

DEDHAM FOOTPATH GROUP

On Friday 27 July at 7pm there will be walk of about 3 miles meeting in the car park of the *Butt and Oyster* at Pin Mill. Walk leader Eve Jones 322 068

On Sunday 19 August at 2.30pm there will be a 3-4 mile walk, meeting at Monks Cottage end of Monks Lane. Walk leader Ron Wood 322 196.

Karen Swain writes

NATIONAL TRUST

The next lecture of the Colchester & NE Essex group will be on 10 October. Tickets (£10) for the Summer Concert at Fountain Farm, Ardleigh, on Saturday 18 August, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. are still available from Mrs Helen Burfoot, 19 Thoroughgood Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 6AN, ☎ 01255 433 627.

Betty Callaghan writes

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

At the April meeting members enjoyed hearing more of Tom Blair’s account of his life in the Royal Marines. On Wednesday 30 May 30 an outing to Tiptree has been arranged . On Wednesday 27 June members and friends will meet at *Cluffs*, Dedham Heath, for tea in the garden by kind invitation of Dawn Harrison. There will be a Bring and Buy.

