CLUBS & SOCIETIES

Betty Callaghan writes

GOOD NEIGHBOURS' CLUB

Our June meeting passed pleasurably with poetry and a humorous reading of a letter from John Jennings, who was a long-standing member of this Club and the Bowling Club. John Jennings, who is now in his 90s, resides in Maldon.

Our next meeting will be held on Friday 9 July. The competition will be: 'Any item beginning with the letter A'.

Daphne Langton writes

LADIES FELLOWSHIP

Members and friends are invited to a tea party on Wednesday 30 June at 3 pm, by kind invitation of Dawn Harrison, There will be a Bring and Buy. Members were also invited to a coffee morning at the home of Doreen Fazackerley.

Ian Rose writes

U3A STOUR VALLEY

The July lecture will be Putting the House to Bed a talk by Veronica Bennett, and will be held on Wednesday 14 July at 2.15 pm at the Constable Hall, East Bergholt.

STOUR VALLEY PROJECT

Weave along the Stour in Wormingford Celebrate our 40th anniversary and admire one of the best views of the Dedham Vale, before enjoying a gentle stroll along the banks of the River Stour. Thursday 22 July, 6.30-8.30 pm, adults £3 children free.



Neil Weston writes

CRICKET CLUB

Recently DCC has held 'Kwik Cricket' sessions and an after-school club for

the Primary School. We now propose to offer to all boys and girls aged 7-12 years old in the village further coaching sessions and a number of *Kwik Cricket* tournaments in July and August 2010. Coaching sessions will be held on:

Saturday 17 July at 10 a.m. Saturday 31 July at 10 a.m.

We will be hosting our own Kwik Cricket tournament on I 2 August when we hope to play teams from Elmstead, Coggeshall and Eight Ash Green. We also expect that we will be invited to participate in their tournaments as well. We will also have some games as part of our Vice-Presidents Club Day on Monday 30 August.

We have invested in a new artificial pitch and mobile nets which enable us to offer improved coaching and practice facilities for all Club members. If you would like your child to play in any of these sessions they will need to register by completing a form. There will be a £10 fee to cover the subscription; no further charge is made for the sessions. Forms can be returned on the day of the first session but we need your confirmation ideally at least a week before the first session is being held.

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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 Every Sunday (not August)

JUNIOR CHURCH

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 SUMMER EDITION:

CHURCH NOTICEBOARD





Sunday 4 and 11 July

There will be Baptisms during the 10.30 a.m. services

Sunday 18 July

There will be a Parish Picnic in the Vicarage garden after the 10.30 a.m. service

Note: There will be no 8.30 a.m. or 6.30 p.m. services in August

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:

01206 322136 office@dedham-parishchurch.org.uk



From the Registers

FUNERALS

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17 June 2010 Jane Helen WILSHER (49)

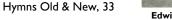
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6 June 2010 Roy Albert FLEWIN

SONGS OF PRAISE



Angel-voices ever singing round the throne of light, Angel-harps for ever ringing, rest not day nor night; Thousands only live to bless thee and confess thee Lord of might.





dwin G. Monk 1819-1900

The dedication of a new organ in Wingates church, Lancashire, in 1861, was the occasion for the writing of this hymn. The vicar invited Francis Pott (1832-1909) to write a hymn to be sung at the service. Having the words, he asked Dr. Edwin G. Monk, music editor of *Hymns Ancient & Modern*, to provide a tune for them. The tune was called ANGEL VOICES, and has remained wedded to the words ever since, despite another tune with the same title being written subsequently by the more famous Sir Arthur Sullivan, in 1872.

Its origin explains the nature of the hymn. It begins by asking whether it is possible that Almighty God, who is worshipped unceasingly by the angelic hosts, has any regard for the 'songs of sinful man' on earth. The answer is found in verse three:

Yea, we know that thou rejoices o'er each work of thine;
Thou didst ears and hands and voices for thy praise design;
Craftsman's art and music's measure for thy pleasure all combine.

Francis Pott, who studied at Brasenose College, Oxford, was the rector of Ticehurst, Sussex, at the time of this commission. He wrote other hymns, such as Forty days and forty nights, for Lent, but he is better known for those he translated from Latin, which include, and Jesus Christ is risen today, and The strife is o'er, the battle done.

Angel-voices has had particular poignancy for us in Dedham, having been sung recently at the funeral of craftsman Roy Flewin, and also at the service of thanksgiving and re-dedication of the chancel, following its refurbishment.

LAST VICAR OF DEDHAM?

Some years ago we were told that there was a shortage of money to pay the clergy of the Church of England. Dedham wasn't worried because for more than forty years we have been able to pay enough parish share to fund not one but two clergy. As Rural Dean I encouraged all the benefices in our deanery to give enough to pay for their ministry, which they did.

The problem, we were then told, was to do with pensions. In days gone by clergy did not retire, they usually 'died in harness'. Following reforms in the 1960s, clergy were encouraged to retire at 65 to make way for younger ministers. Then, a few years ago, we reach the point where we had more retired clergy than those in full-time ministry. Last year we were told that clergy will be expected to work until they are 68 in order to receive the same pension (i.e. half a minimum stipend) that they would otherwise have expected at the age of 65. Problem solved? Not exactly.

We are now told that there is a national shortage of clergy and that even if there was a dramatic increase in the number offering themselves and being accepted for ministry, there will be a shortage for the foreseeable future. In this diocese, for example, one quarter of all

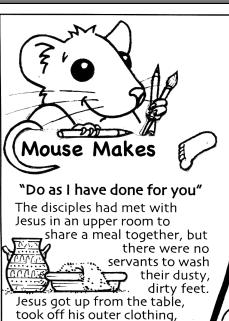
clergy will be retiring within the next five years, to be replaced by less than half of those required to 'stand still'. When I came to Dedham, some fifteen years ago, there was more than 450 full-time clergy in the diocese; within five years it will be about 350.

A century ago the Vicar of Dedham wrote that he hoped that there would never be a time when Dedham would be served by only one minister (there was at the time a separate Lecturer). Now, the days when a vicar will have, as I do, the privilege of only one rural parish for which to care are ending.

In my remaining time here, however long God may give me (for it is His ministry, not mine), I serve in the knowledge that I may be the last Vicar of Dedham. Not that, by God's grace, this parish will be without an ordained minister in future. Rather, whoever comes after me will have, in all likelihood, one or more additional parochial responsibilities; so I am probably the last vicar whose sole ministry will be the parish of Dedham.

In co-operation with the Churchwardens and PCC, and with you, I will try to ensure that I use my time wisely, doing what only a Vicar of Dedham can and should be doing.

Gerard Moate Vicar & Lecturer



a servant would do.

Then Jesus said
"Do you understand what
I have done for you?
Now that I, your Lord,
and Teacher have
washed your feet, you
also should wash one
another's feet. I have set
you an example, that

wrapped a towel around his

waist and began to wash

the disciples feet just like

By washing his disciples feet Jesus showed that as God's people we are *never* too important to serve and care for others.

you should do as I

have done for you".

Read this story in John 13:1-17



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cut out.
Make a tassel from wool or ribbon and tie to the

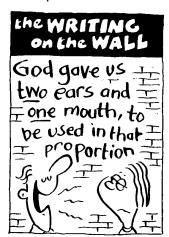
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Jill Strangward writes SINGING WORKSHOP

More than sixty people 'marched along with the saints', and 'sailed with Rod Stewart' and 'heard the nightingale sing in Berkeley Square'. A most successful workshop, full of fun, laughter (and quite a lot of heavy breathing) as well as singing, which was recently given by Antony Watson in the Assembly Rooms.

Many thanks to everyone who attended and all who helped to make it such an enjoyable day, with of course particular thanks to Antony, our very talented choirmaster. We hope to do further workshops in the future, so 'watch this space'.



Colin West writes

TOWER TOURS

Visitors to the church now often enjoy a visit to the top of the tower. There is a small team of guides who volunteer at weekends to show people around and up the tower. We need more guides, in order



to provide regular tours at weekends. You could join this team and have a chance to share the architecture and history of the church with visitors to Dedham. By joining the team, you will

- have a chance to improve your own knowledge of the tower, the church, and its history
- be able to enhance people's experience of their visit to our village and also meet people from all over the world
- view the changing beauty of Dedham Vale through the seasons from the highest viewpoint in village, some 40 m (138 ft) above the High Street.

Full training for the guides will be given – no previous experience necessary!

If you are interested in the possibility of joining the team, or for more information, please contact Colin West 22 905 or colin.west@hotmail.co.uk



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, John 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

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 2½ hours. Distance about 2½ 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

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Bookings can be made online: www.dedhamvalestourvalley.org



15th SEPTEMBER The Last Station

20th OCTOBER

Amadeus

17th NOVEMBER

DOUBLE BILL:

The Bicycle Thief & The Red Balloon

15th DECEMBER

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WALKING IN ESSEX

www.walkinginessex.co.uk is a website packed with useful information for walkers. With more than 430 walks to download and print, free, and details of around 100 guided walks every month, it also has books of walks, contact details for all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place. www.walkinginengland.co.uk has thousands of walks to download and print - and all free of charge!

John Harris, who has developed these sites, said 'There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in England has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home or away on holiday you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'. With walks from half a mile to twelve miles long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheel-chairs, all can find a walk to enjoy'.

Walking for just 30 minutes a day can help you to:

- Feel good and have more energy
- Sleep better and reduce stress
- Reduce your blood pressure
- Manage your weight.

So home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

NEWSROUND

Antony Watson writes

KENYAN RECOLLECTIONS - 3

It was with immense trepidation that I awoke on Sunday morning, to the bright African sunshine, a far cry from the mid-February weather back in the UK. Strange too, knowing that it was 'St. Valentine's day' back home. After a hearty breakfast we were picked up by our drivers and taken to the Diocesan Education Offices in downtown Embu. where we were to meet our respective Kenyan School's Headteachers for the first time, and to be taken by them to worship in their local churches. It was wonderful to meet Mr. Francis Njue for the first time, and it was immediately clear that were in good hands.

The group of Essex teachers were separated for the first time since leaving England, and we were on our own now. The Anglican Church in Kenya is very much alive and God is very much at the heart of much of the population of Embu and district, and the highway was lined with many finely dressed people, walking their way to

that red earth is amazing. We were formally welcomed by the elders of the church, and were asked to introduce ourselves and speak in front the now full church.



The service, in English, began with very lively singing and dancing, the children and adults alike very amused to see us joining in. The service was long, but it passed quickly, and we sang 'What a friend we have in Jesus' with great enthusiasm. It was wonderful to share in familiar forms of worship 4000 miles away from home. These warmhearted people greeted us with real affection. They view visitors as a blessing from God, and all they ask is that they are appreciated. After leaving gifts from Dedham, and sharing tea (very sweet and very milky), we took our leave, just as the service started all over again, repeated in the native Kswahili tongue. For these people, church is really a whole-day event.

We went on by car to the parish of Gatunduri, where our link school is based. As we passed by their church, the service was in full swing, and once again we were presented to the assembled multitude, and asked to speak. It later transpired that we were the first white visitors that either church; how they keep so clean with all congregation had seen; no small

> wonder we were so fascinating! It seems we were representing the West, not just Dedham, These Kenyans must now think that all Westerners are very short!



SINGLE-HANDED CHALLENGE

Crown Street resident **Duncan** Lougee, who keeps his Rustler 31' yacht Vaguero at Suffolk Yacht Harbour, departed Plymouth, Devon, at the end of May for Newport, Rhode Island. Duncan, with twenty others, is taking part in 'The Jester Challenge 2010', which is for small craft to be skippered single-handed across the Atlantic. At the time of going to print Duncan is one of fourteen, from the original two dozen, still in the race. He reports that 'preparation for the Jester Azores Challenge has been intense and comprehensive, with the purchase of a spare corkscrew, conversion of the hanging locker to a wine cellar and a singlehanded circumnavigation of the Cork Sand.' www.jesterinfo.org



Judith Fowle writes

ESSEX AIR AMBULANCE DAY

The double fund-raising event, a Coffee Morning and Afternoon Tea, held last month in the Parish Church, raised just over £470 to help to keep the county's helicopter flying. Thank you to all the helpers and supporters for this success and to the Vicar and Churchwardens for allowing the use of the church.



Roy Laverick writes

DEDHAM VALE HOPPER BUS

The Dedham Vale Hopper bus will be running again this summer, thanks to an initiative by the Dedham Vale and Stour Valley Project (who administer the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty). The first run of the season will take place on **Saturday 3 July** at 9.40 a.m. from Manningtree station, but we have not yet been advised of the timetable. The route will be the same as before, that is a circular journey taking in Dedham, Manningtree Station, East Bergholt and Stratford St. Mary. Regrettably, the bus will not pass the East Bergholt medical practice.

NOTICEBOARD

Côr Meibion Bro Glyndŵr — Welsh Male Voice Choir

AN EVENING OF SONG



Dedham Parish Church

7.30 pm SATURDAY 23 OCTOBER 2010

Tickets £10

Proceeds to The Childrens Society and The George Young Memorial Fund (50% of the profits to each fund)



Further details and tickets from Ian Sutherland (01206) 272 486



Mission Cake Bake

A CAKE STALL

Will be in the church porch

Saturday 24 July

10am to noon

PLEASE BECOME A PRISON VOLUNTEER

Prison Fellowship, through its volunteers, shines God's light in the darkest of places and aims to transform the lives of prisoners and their families. Do you have some spare time and want to support one of the most vulnerable groups in our society? There are many different ways in which you can get involved including:

- praying for a local prison
- supporting a chaplaincy,
- fundraising/taking part in 'Angel Tree' a programme that provides Christmas presents to children who have one or both parents in prison. If this sounds like the kind of challenge you are after then please come and join us! email:

info@prisonfellowship.org.uk or ☎ 01621 843 232

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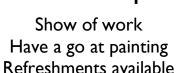
WATERCOLOUR FOR BEGINNERS GROUP

Invites you to an

OPEN DAY

The Duchy Barn

Saturday 10 July 10.30 am— 4 pm



Donations welcome—proceeds to the Dedham Youth Club Please come and join us









A Sure Start Children's Centre

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, I & 15 JULY

NEWSROUND

Rov Laverick writes

ROUTE 87 BUS CHANGES

Essex County Council is proposing a minor change to our local bus service. Dedham is currently served by two weekday bus routes. Route 247 goes to Colchester through Langham, whilst buzzing with activity and excitement. the route 87 (87A on Saturdays) reaches Colchester through Ardleigh. It is suggested that the 87 and 87A should in future run as route 247 (i.e. through Langham rather than Ardleigh). No reduction in the number of journeys is being proposed.

On Mondays to Fridays the 87 makes out the day the children enjoyed only one trip from Dedham to Colchester (departing at 16.53) and one from Colchester to Dedham (departing at 17.50). On Saturdays the Children's Orphanage in Kenya. 87A leaves Dedham at 10.00, and returns from Colchester at 14.00. If you think that you will be materially inconvenienced by this proposed change, then please let Roy Laverick know, **2** 323 184 by the end of July.

NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be 7.30 pm, Wednesday 14 July, in the Assembly Rooms.



Laura Valentine writes

SUMMER TERM

The busy summer term races on and with the summer production, sports days, speech and prize evenings and class trips planned, the school is

We celebrated the beginning of the World Cup with a football themed non-uniform day, when pupils and staff came to school in colourful clothes and sports kit to represent countries taking part. Many children of course chose to come in England colours and through-World Cup and geography themed activities. All the money raised from this day was sent out to New Hope

A visit from five firefighters and a fire -engine caused great excitement in school, particularly when children and a member of staff tried on protective clothing! The children in Year Three learned a great deal about fire safety in the home. We are grateful to Manningtree Fire Service for coming to talk to the children.

We are delighted to announce that the school has gained the Artsmark Award in recognition of the curricular and extra-curricular work the school does in art, dance, music and drama. This certificate goes up in our entrance hall alongside the International Schools Award that the school was awarded last month.

PAST TIMES

Ten Years Ago July 2000

- ♦ VICAR ON ROOF The Vicar spent the night of 30 June (7 pm-10 am) on the church roof, descending (by way of the ladder at the back of the church) for an impromptu 'coming-down ceremony', which included a fine breakfast supplied by Gerald Milsom and served by his South African ward, Aubrey Nkungama. The Vicar did it 'to raise awareness that our lovely church building urgently needs a new roof.' Repairs had already begun and fund-raising was about to get fully under way. He encouraged donations of over £17,000 through this initiative, as part of a total cost of £80,000.
- ♦ **DUCHY BARN** Planning application was granted to permit the Duchy Barn to be used for new community purposes. Architects were being appointed and grants applications made for its refurbishment. The church youth worker, Rev'd. Ray Gibbs, led a team of people on this project.

Fifty Years Ago July 1960

- **BUILDING WORKS** "Work on the repair and redecorating of the church has begun and it would appear that our Sunday services will not be hindered in any way."
- ♦ MOTHER'S UNION 'We were fortunate in having a lovely day for our outing to London and Greenwich and all who went seemed to thoroughly enjoy the day, especially the trip on the Thames.'

A Century Ago July 1910

- **◆ DAVID LIVINGSTONE** 'Biography has been called "the back stairs of history" and the history of any movement becomes much more alive when it is seen through the personal life of its protagonist.. The Vicar, therefore, proposes to preach, on the last Sunday morning in July, on David Livingstone, missionary and explorer.
- **CRICKET CLUB** 'The cricket season opened on 14th May and so far the club has played seven matches, including on Whit-Monday the annual match with St George's Institute. They have won five matches and lost two.'



Stud Farm, Dedham (now called 'Greenhayes')

'Proprietor F.W. Cottee'

c. 1920

The back garden of Stud Farm, Dedham

'Station -Ardleigh G.E.R. - one mile'

c. 1920



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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