

CLUBS & SOCIETIES

Paw Slingo writes

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The outing to Nymans Garden will be on Wednesday 13 July, departing Royal Square at 8.45 a.m.

The Autumn Show will be held in the Assembly Rooms, Saturday 20 August at 2p.m. until 3.45 p.m. Exhibits to be staged by 10.45 a.m. Please enter all you can to make the show a success. Bring your friends and family in the afternoon and enjoy free tea and coffee. Sale of produce and raffle. Entry forms ☎ 322 147 or 231 164.

Daphne Langton writes

LADIES' FELLOWSHIP

Members enjoyed the coach trip to Shotley and the fish-and-chips lunch. Later we called at the Ipswich Food Hall, under the Orwell Bridge, where there are many outlets for local producers. On Wednesday 29 June, at 3 p.m., there will be a Tea Party at Cliffs, on the Heath, with Bring and Buy.

On Wednesday 27 July members will meet at 2.30 p.m. in the Assembly Rooms, the speaker being Valerie Sims.

AONB & STOUR VALLEY WALK

There will be a walk along the Brett Valley on Sunday 10 July, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., a distance of about 11 miles, following the Stour and Brett from Stratford St Mary to Shelley. Guide: Roger Wolfe. Adults £5, but free if you arrive by public transport or bike. Children free. Numbers limited. ☎ 01473 264 263.

www.dedhamvalestourvalley.org

Felix Fitch writes

CRICKET CLUB

With five victories in as many games this season it may yet be our best start ever. Ed Mortimer heads the wickets with 10, skipper has two half-centuries, and Angus followed his first Dedham fifty with 44 against West Mersea. Nick Alldread has taken a wicket and Ian Everard a catch. Among new faces, Travis Taylor has performed with bat and ball, Alex Lloyd dug us out against Real Oddies (aided by Iuan Davies' 36 runs). Jamie Mortimer's on-drive might be the shot of the season. The weather has been kind, with no cancellations.

Neil Weston and I will be running a cricket practice day at Dedham C.E. Primary School on Tuesday 28 June. This month sees the return of the traditional *Old Gits v The Young Guns* on 19 June and academy sessions on Fridays, 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. All are welcome to watch and play at the Duchy Field.

felix.fitch@btinternet.com

John Osborn writes

FOOTPATH GROUP

At 6.30 p.m., Friday 8 July, we will meet in the car park of the Gardners Arms P.H. in Stutton for a walk of about 3½ miles, with Martin & Pauline Broom leading, ☎ 322 578. Chance for refreshments at the end.

At 11 a.m., Sunday 31 July we meet in the free car park at Dovercourt Bay, for an easy walk to Harwich Pier, lead by John Osborn ☎ 322 157. Refreshments at the cafe or pubs in Harwich. Depart at 1.30 p.m. for the walk back.

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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
1st Sunday in month only

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

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SUMMER EDITION:
13 July**

CHURCH NOTICEBOARD



**SPECIAL, ADDITIONAL,
OR CHANGES TO SERVICES OF WORSHIP :**

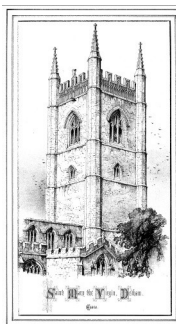
**Thursday 3 July
10.30 a.m. Family Service**

with Mrs Heather Tetchner
speaking about her visit to Gatunduri, Kenya

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 322 136
office@dedham-parishchurch.org.uk



Sunday 10 July @ 12 noon

You are invited to 'Picnic & Pimms'
in The Vicarage garden.



Bring your own picnic,
folding chairs or blankets.

Drinks and Strawberries & Cream will be provided.



From the Registers

BAPTISM

5 June 2011 Lucinda Grace Hurst FLETCHER
5 June 2011 Matthew Harry JOHNSTON

WEDDING

28 May 2011 Christopher J NORDEN & Charlotte N. O'DONEGAN
4 June 2011 Alan Desmond LEE & Katherine STEVENS

FUNERAL

26 May 2011 Gilbert Edward 'Nick' GREEN (89)



SONGS OF PRAISE



*The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want,
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green. He leadeth me
the quiet waters by.*

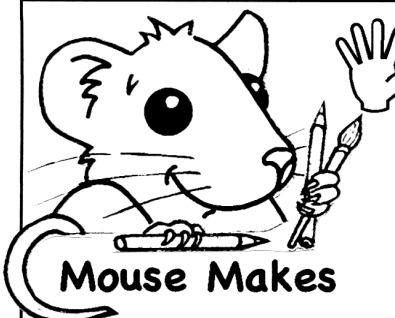
Hymns Old & New 490

Still among the most frequently requested hymns, particularly for weddings and funerals, this metrical version of Psalm 23 was, perhaps surprisingly, the work of a committee. Long appreciated in Scotland, it has only been known and popular in England since it was chosen by the Queen for her wedding in 1947.

This version of the psalm first appeared in Scotland in 1650, in a book drawn up by the Westminster Assembly, which also drew up the Westminster Confession which is the official doctrinal statement of the Church of Scotland. The Assembly put together this version from several different sources; the first line, for example, was written by a Scotsman, Zachary Boyd (1585-1654), the second by a Cornishman, Francis Rous (1579-1658) who was a friend of Oliver Cromwell and who became Provost of Eton, and several other lines were by Sir William Mure of Rowallan (1594-?).


This hymn did not appear in any Anglican hymnbook until 1965, when it was set to the tune CRIMOND, a tune which is usually attributed to Jessie Irvine (1836-87), whose father was the minister in the village of Crimond in Aberdeen-shire. Lady Meg Colville (who died in 2004, aged 85) came to the rescue when the Princess Elizabeth announced, shortly before her wedding in 1947, that she wanted the CRIMOND setting of this hymn for the service. Since no written score was available in London, Lady Meg, who had sung it in Scotland with the two princesses in Crathie church, repeated it in her fine soprano voice *on the telephone* for the Organist and Precentor of Westminster Abbey, who took down the notes and then taught the Abbey choir.

Another popular tune for this hymn is BROTHER JAMES' AIR, which was composed by James Bain in 1915 and harmonised by Gordon Jacob, who taught composition for many years at the Royal College of Music, and who died in Saffron Walden in 1984.



Mouse Makes

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."* **READ** Matthew 6:9-15



LORD JESUS,
Thank you that you love me,
Thank you that you care,
Thank you that you listen,
Thank you that your near.
AMEN

Our Father in heaven:
may your holy name be honoured;
your Kingdom come;
your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today the food we need.
Forgive us the wrongs we have done, as we forgive the wrongs that others have done to us.
Do not bring us to hard testing, but keep us safe from the evil one.
AMEN

To make a praying hand bookmark, carefully cut out around the hands, fold back along the centre dotted line and glue together. Use the the words on the hands and fingers to help you as you pray.

July 11



CALLING YOU TO SPEAK?

In my thirtieth year, in the fourth month on the fifth day, while I was among the exiles by the Kebar River, the heavens were opened and I saw visions of God. Ezekiel 1.1

Ezekiel was just thirty years old, and had been training to be a priest, but because he had been taken into exile, along with thousands of others, he could no longer become a priest, something for which had worked hard. It was then that Ezekiel saw a vision, like a dream, of a wind-storm and fire. Afterwards he wrote of what he heard God say to him:

"Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to a rebellious nation that has rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me to this very day. The people to whom I am sending you are obstinate and stubborn."

So Ezekiel did not become a priest, but nevertheless God sent him to speak to people of His love for them.

Six hundred years later there was another vision of wind and fire, which we may read in Acts of the Apostles 2: *When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on them.*

This time it was seen by Jesus' disciples, among them Peter was chosen by God to talk to his people:

Then Peter stood up... raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say."

What bridges this gap of 600 years between Ezekiel and St Peter, and the 2,000 year from St Peter to us? It is that God chose people then, and He still does today, to take His message forward. If you are a believer, that is now, today, in Dedham! However like Ezekiel, not everyone is called to be a



priest, although every believer is called to tell others of God's word, since someone took the time to tell you. Of course, it's easy to say, "let someone else do that". Imagine what would have happened if Ezekiel

or Peter had thought that!

In my short time in here I have become very aware that many of those who have lived in Dedham in the past have been called to speak God's word of forgiveness through Jesus Christ to the people of Dedham and to others. With these clear lessons from long ago you know what to do tomorrow. In fact, why wait? Start today. Tell someone that God loves them too.

Terry McFadden
Associate Minister

DEDHAM LECTURE 2011

For the first time since 1956, the Lecturer of Dedham (i.e. the Vicar) has given a Dedham Lecture. Some 80 people came to hear him give his lecture on the subject of 'The future of the parochial system in the Church of England'. He drew on his research into the history of Dedham for more than half of the lecture, before applying lessons from it to a wider context. Thanks to sound engineer David Watson and web-master Bob Cox, you may down-load a podcast of this lecture (a first for this ancient series) from: www.dedham-parishchurch.org.uk

Pete Keeble writes

EAST BERGHOLT SURGERY

In response to patients' feedback our appointment system now enables some on-the-day appointments with a doctor of choice. Please note that these are available only for patients who have a medical need to see a doctor that day.

The practice will be installing TV screens in the waiting areas at both Capel and East Bergholt. These will be funded by advertising and will ensure patients are up to date with the latest information relating to the practice and their health. The practice will also be implementing a mobile text system to remind patients of appointments they have booked. When booking by phone, patients will be asked for their mobile number and to consent to texts being sent to them.

Christine Lawrence writes

SHAPE-UP

This is a free weight management programme offered in Colchester by the NHS to anyone who has a Body Mass Index of 28 or over. It consists of eight weekly-sessions, each lasting 1½ hours, encouraging people to make lifestyle changes in order to effect weight loss. Topics covered include regular eating, balance of good health, portion sizes, and helping people to understand the complexities of food labeling. Though we will discuss physical activity, Shape-Up is not an exercise class. Contact : ☎ 363 002.

Susanne Grimwood writes

SMARTYS

We wish children who are leaving Smartys to commence school the best for the future. Thanks go to parents and carers for their continued support over the years. Parents wishing to enrol children can be download a form from www.smartys.org.uk.

To coincide with National Play Week a sports day event was held in on the recreation fields, where children enjoyed a number of sports-related activities, followed by a picnic.

The summer outing will be to Maldon Splash Park. The 'theme week' 18 - 22 July will be *Colour*, with children encouraged to dress up in a particular colour on a specified day. Thank you to Dave from the Bargate Farm shop, who has kindly agreed to help sponsor our 'Smartys Healthy Snacks'.

A PRAYER - IN PLACE OF A PARTY

Sent by a friend to David Hart, to be read on his Ninetieth birthday.



Today dear Lord I'm 90 and there's so much I haven't done -
I hope, dear Lord, you'll let me live, until I'm 91?

But if I haven't finished all I want to do.
Would you let me stay awhile, until I'm 92?

So many spots to visit, so much still left to see
Do you think that you could wait Lord, until I'm 93?

The world is changing very fast, there is so very much in store.
So that I might see it all, can you make it 94?

And, if by then I'm still alive,
I'd rather think I'd like to stay, at least to 95.

There are many books I've yet to read
and there's much that one can fix.
Perhaps you can extend it then, until I'm 96.

I know dear Lord it's much to ask
(and tho' it must be nice in heaven)
But I'm sure I'll find enough to do until I'm 97.

I know by then I won't move fast and sometimes I'll be late,
But I think that I would rather dally - until I'm 98.

I will have seen so many things and had a lovely time,
That I'm sure that I'll be willing to leave at 99...

A century, Lord, oh be a sport,
don't leave me in the lurch -
If you'd just help me out this once,
I'd even go to church!





DEDHAM FILMS

in the Assembly Rooms, Dedham

20 JULY
Made in Dagenham

Evening 7.00 p.m.
Film Begins 7.30 p.m.

17 AUGUST
The Hurt Locker

Tickets £3.50

*Refreshments are available
before the film and during the interval*

*Come and join friends
for a great time out*

ON A LARGE SCREEN!

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MADE IN DAGENHAM



Director: Nigel Cole (2010)

*Stars: Sally Hawkins, Andrea Riseborough,
Bob Hoskins, Jaime Winstone*

In 1968, the Ford car factory in Dagenham was one of the largest private employers in Britain. In addition to the thousands of men, there are also 187 underpaid women machinists, who primarily assembled car-seat upholstery in poor working conditions. Dissatisfied, the women are represented by shop steward, Rita O'Grady (Sally Hawkins), who works with union rep Albert Passingham (Bob Hoskins) for a better deal.

However, Rita learns that there is a larger issue in this dispute, considering that women are paid a fraction of the men's wages for the same work. Refusing to tolerate this inequality any longer, O'Grady leads a strike by her fellow machinists, for 'equal pay for equal work'.

What follows would test the patience of all involved in a grinding labour and political struggle that would eventually advance the cause of women's rights around the world.



Chris Draper writes

TOBOGGANING IN SUMMER?

Usually a winter activity, members of Dedham Youth Church discovered tobogganing is great fun on a Summer's evening – even if the Suffolk Ski Centre staff liberally spray you (and the slope) with vast quantities of water to make the descent even faster.

Dedham Youth Church meets monthly on first Saturday evenings for a fun activity. We've been ten-pin bowling, enjoyed a pizza and movie evening, and a very messy and highly competitive cake-making competition. We next meet on **Saturday 2 July**.

We also regularly meet on Sundays, at 10.30 a.m. in the Vicarage, for a time of fun, food, Bible study and discussion - dealing with the hard questions that many teenagers (and not a few adults) have about God.

Next term will see the launch of a monthly contemporary worship service in the Parish Church, catering for all ages but specifically providing an engaging church experience for teenagers (and others who consider themselves young-at-heart). More details of the first of these services will be published next month.

New members of secondary school age are welcome. Please contact Chris Draper ☎ **322 055**, or just come along and meet us on a Sunday morning at the Vicarage.

PCSO Mark Hibben writes

NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED?

Hello. This is my first item for this Magazine. I would simply like to take the opportunity to remind parishioners that, in addition to the familiar '999' emergency number, that to report an incident or crime of a non-emergency nature to the Police, you should telephone **0300 333 4444**.

In addition, to report some information to me, as part of the Community Policing team, the mobile number is **07966 197 134**.

A Beat Surgery is held at the Duchy Barn once a month in order to discuss any matters that may concern you. The next one is on **Friday 22 July**. I shall be there from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and I look forward to seeing you.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

Colchester Community Voluntary Services would like you to know that if you live in the borough, and are unable to use public transport, then accessible minibuses, a car service, electric scooters and wheelchairs are available to members. For information please ☎ **216 600** 9am - 4.30 pm, Mon-Fri.

BEACON HOUSE

Needs volunteers to work in its Health Section as project workers. Can you spare one afternoon a week, even for a few weeks? Please contact the Centre Manager, Alan Turner, or Anne Mason ☎ **761 960**.

NEWSROUND

Tony Howard & Alan Grego write
EVEREST: A DECADE LATER (3)
Ten years ago this month, Alan Grego published in this Magazine part of the diary of his trek in Nepal. In March this year he and some friends went back.

Immediately after leaving Dughla we began the long arduous climb over the Moraine of the Khumbu Glacier. At the top are many memorials to climbers who have died in the mountains; among them Scott Fischer, who died in the 1996 disaster, and Babu Chiri Sherpa, who set records for speed and endurance on Everest. From there it was a hard walk to Loboche, where we met a Korean lady called Yoon.

On Saturday we set off for Gorak Shep. It was hard work at an altitude of 5000m, with several moraines to cross. There were good views of Pumo Ri, Lingtren, Khumbutse, Changtse (in Tibet), Nuptse, and Ama Dablam back in the distance. As we approached Gorak Shep we were able to see the top of Everest.

We arrived at Yeti Lodge. Yoon was very poorly in the lodge. A doctor with a Canadian party saw her and said she should descend. However it was dusk, the trail is treacherous, even in good light, and it was freezing cold. The doctor asked David to look after her, make sure she took the pills he had prescribed and ensure the oxygen mask he had fitted was clear and in place. David and Dan spent all night caring for her, assisting her. The doctor told Tony that they had saved her life.



Gorak Shep - 5,170 metres

Next day, Yoon descended to Pheriche with her porter. Alan and Tony set off for Kala Pattar. Alan made it two thirds of the way, had his photo taken in a sponsor's shirt, and then descended. Tony went on to the top with Ram, joined by David and Dan on the way. Cold strong winds on the top and we hurried down. An evening of cards and reading. On Monday we walked back to Dugla, then took the valley trail to Pheriche. David was told Yoon had left and should be in Namche Bazaar that evening.

final instalment next month

NOTICEBOARD



Join us for a 3-mile Sponsored Walk in aid of the local MNDA
11 a.m. Sunday 24 July
along the promenade from **Frinton**
(Assembly point: Beach Hut 116, Low Wall - Golf Club end)
to **Walton Pier and back!**

For more details and sponsor forms please contact:

Karen ☎ **07816 374 956** Anne ☎ **323 723**

CAKES STALL

There will a stall offering
for sale home-baked cakes
in the porch of the
Parish Church
on the morning of

Saturday 30 July

in aid of supported missions.

We would be grateful for any
contributions to the stall.

If you can help please contact
Ruth Higginson on

☎ **322 598**

AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY MARKET

This popular annual event in
Dedham will be going ahead as
usual with stalls in Royal Square,
hospitality and refreshments,
bric-a-brac, books and Fair-Trade
stalls in the church,
Tower Tours and organ recitals.

10 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

DON'T MISS IT!

NOTICEBOARD

The Dedham Players
Present Carlo Goldoni's
The Venetian Twins
translated by
Ranjit Bolt
An 18th Century comedy presented in the Open-Air in the beautiful grounds of
Castle House Dedham

6TH TO 9TH JULY 2011
Gates Open 6.00pm Performance starts at 8pm
Don't forget your picnic! **Tickets £9** Bar available
from
W A Hood Newsagents and on 01206 323160

www.dedhamplayers.org



Dedham's Air Ambulance Day

Saturday 9 July

DEDHAM PARISH CHURCH

COFFEE and BISCUITS

10 a.m. - 12 noon

TEA and CAKES

2.30 p.m. - 5 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 ☎ **322 938**



PARISH COUNCIL

Steve White writes

HAVE YOUR SAY

An opportunity for parishioners to voice their concerns is to be made available at the start of future Parish Council meetings. This new arrangement will give people the opportunity to speak without having to sit through routine items that may not interest them and to leave once their point has been made.

SEWAGE PROBLEMS

The long-running problems with sewage odours that have plagued the west end of the High Street for some years look like being resolved. A new chemical-dosing plant has been installed on Gun Hill and is being commissioned. It should neutralise the gasses that have created this problem. Once the commissioning is complete, *Anglian Water* has undertaken to monitor the sewage network to ensure that the problem has finally been resolved.

MOBILE LIBRARY

This will visit on Tuesdays fortnightly on the following dates and times:

5, 19	July
2, 16, 30	August
13, 27	September
11, 25	October
8, 22	November
6, 20	December

Dedham Square 10.10 – 10.40

Parsons Field 10.45 – 11.00

Dedham Meade 11.05 – 11.25

NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be at **7.30 pm, Wednesday 13 July** in the Assembly Rooms. Come and air your views or concerns regarding the well-being of your village. All welcome.



YOUR CHURCHYARD

Dedham's lovely Churchyard is private land, to which the public may have access under certain conditions. Over time these may be forgotten or ignored, so every now and then the limitations of both access and use, for the good of all, have to be published. The Vicar, Churchwardens and Parochial Church Council draw your attention to following rules which apply to our Churchyard:

1. *Children unaccompanied by an adult are not allowed in the churchyard at any time.*
2. *Memorials deemed unsafe, or unsuitable for safe maintenance, will be removed.*
3. *No glass, plastic, or terra cotta, vases or ornaments are permitted.*
4. *No memorial, ornament, tree or shrub of any kind may be introduced to the Churchyard without written permission from the Vicar. Any that have been introduced without permission will be eventually removed, without further notice.*

Ten Years Ago **July 2001**

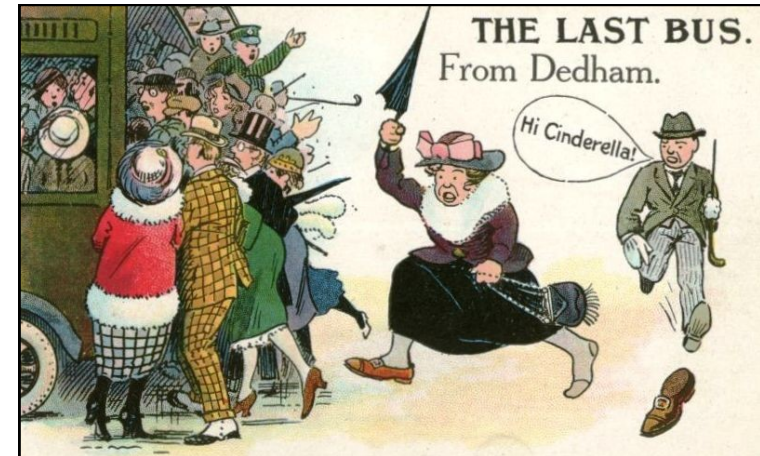
◆ **FLYING THE FLAG** Peter Davies and Tony Blaxill solved the problem of renewing the flag halyard at the top of the church tower; 'A method of reaching the top of a 40 foot flagpole on top of 130 foot tower had to be worked out... Each proposed solution proved to be fraught with logistic problems, too expensive or downright dangerous...These were all discounted in favour of a cunning plan! Thin bamboo canes were lashed together and cord straps attached to them to hold them close to the pole and connected in turn, as a chimney sweep would use rods. It all seemed simple but, in the event, proved somewhat haphazard. With a bit of frustration a final tug was applied to the canes and the hook went perfectly into the centre of the rope eye, the eye was hauled down, the halyard renewed and the job was done. We had a bit of help that day!'

Fifty Years Ago **July 1961**

- ◆ **PARISH CHURCH** 'The work of restoring and redecorating the church is finished at last! There is still a lot to be done... new vestries but I do not want to drive you too hard...'
- ◆ **CARE OF THE HOMELESS** 'The Hostel of the Good Shephers, Colchester, is in need of dinner plates...'
- ◆ **CHURCHYARD** 'Mr Waller has come to the rescue with cutting the grass and Brian Chsinall has assisted with the clearing. Wwhat a difference they have made!'

A Century Ago **July 1911**

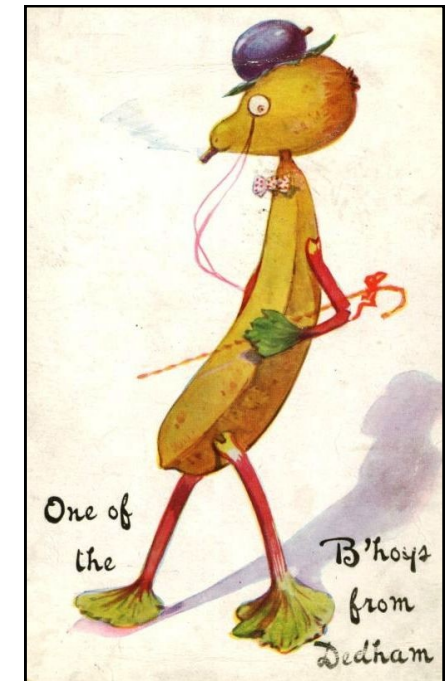
◆ **CORONATION DAY** "Our celebration began with a Service in the Parish Church. Thither marched a Procession which started with commendable punctuality from the Boys' Elementary School... a detachment of the Dedham territorials... followed by the Boy Scouts.... Then came the Members of the Friendly Societies in their Regalia... and the children of the Elementary Schools.... Every seat was occupied.... Then... a move was made for Upper Park. The Sports Committee had done their work well.... Mr Deason's fireworks across the road in his paddock. The pig weighed 69½lbs., and the nearest guess was that of Mr. Edwards. W. Page won the cock and hen, and the cake... was won by Mrs Whistlecraft."



POSTCARD HUMOUR

Two Dedham postcards from the David May Collection, which forms part of the Muniment Library archives, are these examples of what are probably mass-produced, colour-printed cards that have been overprinted, for local sales, to include the name of this village.

The artists responsible for these cards are unknown - any information would be appreciated. The cards, which are unused, probably date from about a century ago, somewhat before the era of the more 'saucy' postcards that are associated with Donald McGill.



SIMILAR ITEMS WANTED FOR THE ARCHIVES

Please consider making them available to be copied for the Muniment Room archives (the original could be returned).
See this page in colour at : www.dedham-parishchurch.org.uk