



# ST MARY & ST PETER NEWSLETTER



A free newsletter published by the Church for every home in Boxted & Langham May 2018

## BOXTED 10K & 2K FUN RUN SUNDAY 20TH MAY 2018

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A new edition of the Directory is being prepared and, subject to funding by the two Parish Councils and the Parochial Church Council, will be issued with the Newsletter in mid-year. Will secretaries please notify Ian Hollands of any changes to be shown in the contact details of their particular organisations:

[lanhollands33@gmail.com](mailto:lanhollands33@gmail.com)

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(The current directory may be viewed on the two village websites.)



## BOXTED CRICKET CLUB

### Home fixtures for May

Saturday May 5th		
Boxted vs West Bergholt		1pm
Friday May 11th		
Boxted vs Halstead under 13s		6pm
Sunday May 13th		
Boxted vs Coggeshall		1pm
Wednesday May 23rd		
Boxted vs Essex university		6pm
Friday May 25th		
Boxted vs Copford under 13s		6pm
Wednesday May 30th		
Boxted vs West Bergholt		6pm

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## FROM THE PARISH

Hello! I am Joanne Jeffery and I'm the Families' worker for 3 parishes including Langham and Boxted.

So, what have I been up to since my appointment in January?

I have visited St Peter's school, Boxted, and met with Mrs Khine to explore how I can best serve the school community. I look forward to meeting Mrs Khine again this month to launch a couple of our ideas. I also look forward to meeting the staff and children at Langham primary school.

I have loved going to the Open Door Café and have started "Story Bags" where the children and I have, so far, enjoyed exploring Palm Sunday with a donkey named Herbert, palm leaves, instruments and finger painting!

I have been to The Zone youth club (Fridays, 5.30 till 7pm in term time, church youth group for years 2 to 6) and had good fun being a bit too competitive with the games and activities whilst getting to know a brilliant bunch of kids – I'm learning a lot from them!

On May 13th we will be launching a new family service at 4.30pm, St Peter's Church Boxted. This will be an informal service where we share food, worship, and explore the theme "Thy Kingdom Come." With all that is going on in our world at the moment we are praying this more fervently! We want to see God's kingdom of peace, justice, joy, love and hope. Please do come along. It would be great to see you there!



Copy for the April issue should be with the Editor  
Millcroft, Mill Road, Boxted CO4 5RW Pauline.cct@btinternet.com  
by 5 pm on Thursday 17 May

## MAY VILLAGE DIARY

<b>Boxted Parish Council</b>	9th 7.00	<i>Village Hall</i>	<b>Langham Parish Council A.G.M.</b> 16th 7.30 <i>Community Centre</i>
<b>Boxted WI</b>	8th 7.30	<i>Village Hall</i>	<b>100 Club Draw &amp; Coffee morning</b>
	(A.G.M. with food & drink tasting)		25th 10.30 <i>Community Centre</i> (Hosted by Langham Oaks School)
<b>Boxted Evergreen Club</b>	3rd 2.30	<i>Fillpots tea room</i>	<b>Crafty Ladies</b> 2nd 10.00—3.00 <i>Community Centre</i>
		(Cream tea)	
	17th 2.30	<i>Village Hall</i>	<b>Patchwork Pals</b> 16th 10.00—3.00 <i>Community Centre</i>
		(Music by Shirley Ann)	
<b>Boxted History Group</b>	16th 7.30 for 8.00	<i>Village Hall</i>	<b>Langham Ladies</b> 24th 8.00 <i>Community Centre</i>
	(The River Stour Trust by Sue Brown)		
<b>Boxted Coffee Café</b>	Tuesday 10.30—12	<i>Boxted Hub</i>	<b>Langham Film Nights</b> 19th 7.45 <i>Community Centre</i> (The Greatest Showman—PG)
<b>Boxted Arts &amp; Crafts Club</b>	2nd 2.00	<i>Village Hall</i>	
	16th 2.00	<i>Village Hall</i>	
<b>Boxted Carpet Bowls</b>	Monday 2.00 & Friday 7.00	<i>Village Hall</i>	<b>Boxted Airfield Historical Group</b> 15th 7.30 <i>Museum, L'm Lane</i> (Captain Fahnestock of 451st Medium BG.)
<b>Boxted Lodgers FC</b>	Wednesday 7.00	<i>Playing Field</i>	
<b>Boxted Running Club</b>	Thursday 9.15am	<i>Village Hall</i>	<b>Langham Carpet Bowls</b> Tuesday 2.00 & Friday 7.30 <i>Community Centre</i>
	Sunday 8.05am	<i>Village Hall</i>	
<b>Little Owls Pre-School (Boxted)</b>		<i>Playing Field</i>	<b>Langham Bridge Club</b> Monday 7.00 <i>Community Centre</i>
Monday to Friday in school term			<b>2nd Langham Scout Group</b> <i>Community Centre</i> Wednesday (times vary)
9.15—12.15 & 12.15—3.15 (9.15—3.15 also available)			
<b>Open Door</b>		<i>Village Hall</i>	<b>Langham Tennis Club Coaching Sessions</b> <i>Recreation Ground</i> Saturday & Sunday Pay & Play: 10.15—11.15 (age 5—10) 11.15—12.30 (age 11—17)
Friday in school term 8.45—10.15			
<b>Boxted Methodist Silver Band</b>		<i>Methodist Chapel Schoolroom</i>	<b>Langham St Mary's Bellringers</b> <i>St Mary's Church</i> Tuesday 7.30—9.00 Sunday Services 9.00
Wednesday 7.30			
Monday in school term 7.30 (Training Band)			
<b>Church Youth Group</b>		<i>Methodist Chapel Schoolroom</i>	
Friday in school term Zone: 5.30—7.00			

### BOXTED HISTORICAL AIRFIELD GROUP

#### Boxted Airfield 75th Anniversary 1943 - 2018

**Sunday 27th May. 10-4**

Museum open day. Our commemorations commence with Presentation at 11.00 & 1400. Michele Bonollo from Australia, is a pencil drawing artist and she will be talking about her experiences meeting, interviewing and drawing pilots and showing some of her work.

Maria Louie, from America, will be introducing a filmed interview with her father, Will, who served with the 354th Fighter Group, originally as an instrument mechanic, but later painted the nose art on the Mustang aircraft.

John Dobrowski who is researching his father's service at Boxted as a engine mechanic on the P47 Thunderbolt.

Chuck Hodge (winner of the George Bledsoe preservation award) who has been travelling the US in recent years interviewing as many military veterans as possible. Chuck has interviewed several men who served at Boxted and he will be talking about his experiences.

Normal admission donation £3. Full catering facilities.

Event information **07503952354**

#### 3rd June Airfield Walk

The walk starts at the museum at 11:00 AM and covers a distance of approximately 2 and 1/2 miles over flat ground. During the walk we will be visiting the various buildings still extant on the airfield where your guide will talk about the use and history of the airfield and its buildings. The walk will be led by Richard Turner & John Dobrowski. John's father served as a P47 Thunderbolt engine Mechanic. We ask for a non-refundable donation of £5 per person which includes a hot or cold drink and entrance to the museum.

Please note that you will need to book your place on the walk in advance, and that we are limited to a maximum of 75 persons. Book at [www.boxted-airfield.com](http://www.boxted-airfield.com)

### NORTH EAST ESSEX BADGER GROUP

If you enjoy getting out in the countryside in your local area, have you considered getting involved with your local badger group?

The Group is a voluntary organisation whose aim is to protect badgers, their setts and habitats in North East Essex, working with other wildlife protection groups, statutory authorities, police and landowners.

We are involved in all aspects of badger protection; i.e. recording and surveying setts, rescuing and rehabilitating injured badgers, as well as orphaned cubs, and recovering dead badgers which have been involved in road accidents. Surveying land areas earmarked for future development is often carried out, as well as giving advice and assistance to landowners dealing with badger related problems.

We are made up of five individual sections covering Colchester (including Mount Bures/Bures), Tendring, Maldon, Halstead and Braintree. The Colchester section hold regular monthly meetings at the Cricketers Public House, Fordham Heath on the second Tuesday of every month. We are looking for new members covering your area – you will find a membership form on our website: [www.neebg.co.uk](http://www.neebg.co.uk) or alternatively have a chat with Judy (Colchester section leader) on **07702 489668**.

You can become as involved as you like. Some people are happy just to support us and receive regular information. Others are able to be more active and, once familiarised with badger "data", have their own setts to look after and check, help with recovering dead badgers, or even go on to be able to handle injured live ones!

We are a very friendly group of all ages and you would be made most welcome.

**24/7 hotline : 07751 572175**

## LANGHAM 100 CLUB March Winners

£40 Liz Durlacher  
£25 Patricia Mahoney  
£15 Rosie Helliwell  
£10 Langham Tennis Club

## BOXTED WI

The ladies gave a nod to the 100 years anniversary since the 1918 Representation of People Act in their March meeting. The Act granted some women (over 30) in the UK the right to vote for the first time. The speaker gave a stirring talk on Annie Besant, the prominent women's rights activist who led demonstrations by the Bryant & May matchgirls of Bow, London during their strike of 1888 when in just over a week they forced the firm to improve pay and conditions.

In April the group heard the fascinating history and work of Colchester Zoo. We also learnt how they also sponsor the Umphata Nature Reserve in South Africa.

The group is providing a tea and cake stall at the village school during the forthcoming event, Boxted Fun Run on 20 May. Please come and say hello!

## LANGHAM HERITAGE GROUP

At their meeting on 28 March, the Group identified a number of projects worthy of research, ranging from Arts & Flowers, Fruit Farms, Pubs & Hostels to Life in World War II. Each will be undertaken by one or more volunteer members, with a view to report back on progress and how to use the material at the next meeting in June.

The Group remains open to any resident (past or present) interested in Langham's heritage.

More information from the Committee, who comprise Ian Hollands, Chris Graves, and David Hastings-Smith.

**Chris Graves**  
email : [chris@thegraves.co.uk](mailto:chris@thegraves.co.uk)

## BOXTED DRAMA CLUB

The Boxted Drama Club returns on Saturday afternoons from 5th May at the Boxted Village Hall 2pm.

In a fun and safe environment you can enjoy some acting, learn some new skills and build confidence.

There is no commitment just come as often as you wish it is £3 for an hour's session.

More information from  
**scottdolling@hotmail.co.uk**

## BOXTED HISTORY GROUP



At the March meeting David London and his wife recalled their experiences driving along the first highway built to link the east and west coasts of the U.S.A. – the famous route 66.

Since it was opened other trans America highways have been constructed so its importance and usage has declined almost to a tourist attraction; consequently some sections have badly deteriorated.

Many shops, hotels, gas (petrol) stations and restaurants including the first McDonalds were opened to serve the passing motorist but again those that remain have almost become museum pieces. The small towns en-route, often with a population of 5000 or less, have a distinct Hill Billy appearance.

David and his wife began their journey in Chicago planning to drive the 2400 miles to Los Angeles in 21 days but were delayed by two detours. Firstly to Flagstaff to see the Grand Canyon from the ground and from a helicopter and secondly to Los Vegas, perhaps to chance their luck?

## LANGHAM LADIES

Langham Ladies enjoyed a super shopping experience at their April meeting, courtesy of Janet Borges of The Gift Room at Gt Horkesley, enjoying a glass of Prosecco to start off the evening.

Two of our members joined Janet's models showing off some beautiful spring/summer clothes giving the evening a personal touch; their performance adding to the fun.

Please join us for the Langham CC coffee morning on Friday 27th April for delicious home made cakes and an opportunity to buy from Neal's Yard Organics.

We are looking forward to a visit to the Houses of Parliament for a tour and lunch on 18th May. Our next meeting on 10th May is an open meeting, guests and partners welcome, entrance fee £5, when Matthew Tanton-Brown, will be speaking about 'Fragrance in the garden all year round'. There will also be an opportunity to buy good quality plants too.

Further details from Gill Brown,  
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If you have any new clubs or events planned in the future, please consider using the village hall as a venue.

## BOXTED PARISH COUNCIL

Boxted Parish Council will be recruiting for a new Parish Clerk in due course now that Denise Humphries has left. It will probably be necessary to use a Locum Clerk until a suitable replacement is found.

There are also 2 vacant seats for Parish Councillors due to Councillors leaving the village. If you feel you have skills you could contribute to the council and/or an active interest in the village and can spare some time - please contact **BoxtedParishCouncil@gmail.com** or speak to any of the current parish councillors: Cheryl Damen,(Chair) **chairboxtedpc@gmail.com** Angela Mclauchlan, Bradley Maxwell, Gene Pugh, James Collitt, Mark Parratt and Val Banwell.

The Parish Council, supported by the Clerk, is responsible for the community assets in the village, including the Community Hub, the Village Hall, the playing field and the telephone kiosk, as well as having formulated the Boxted Neighbourhood Plan, which is adopted by Colchester Borough Council.

## FROM THE EDITOR

Due to increasing other commitments I have made the decision to relinquish my role as editor of the Parish newsletter after the September issue, having advised the Parochial Church Council accordingly. Consequently a new editor is needed. Could this be you?  
 If you would like to know more about what the role entails, please contact me:

**Pauline Coverley**  
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## LANGHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

After another busy year at the Community Centre, we invite all residents of the village to attend our AGM on Thursday 24th May 2018 in the Clubroom at 7.30 p.m. when we shall present the annual report and accounts and adopt a new management committee. We would love more young people from the village to take an active interest in the running of your village hall. Please join us if you can.

Liz Winter, Secretary. Tel: 322301

## CHURCH SERVICES

May

**Sunday 6th** *St Mary's*  
 9.30 am Sung Eucharist  
*Boxted Methodist Chapel*  
 11.00 am Morning Service  
 3.00 pm Band Service  
**Thursday 10th** *St Mary's*  
 8.00 pm Sung Eucharist  
**Sunday 13th** *St Peter's*  
 9.30 am Sung Eucharist  
*Boxted Methodist Chapel*  
 11.00 am Morning Service  
**Sunday 20th** *St Mary's*  
 8.00 am Said Eucharist  
 9.30 am Family Service  
*Boxted Methodist Chapel*  
 11.00am Morning Service  
 with communion  
**Sunday 27th** *St Peter's*  
 9.30 am Sung Eucharist  
*Boxted Methodist Chapel*



## BLESSING of the ANIMALS

**Sunday 24th June,  
3.00 pm at  
St Mary's Church**

(outside in the sun, we hope)

And God said: 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind'

Bring your pets to church to be blessed at an informal service of thanksgiving for the pleasure we have from animals of every kind.

To be followed by Afternoon Tea, & a chance to watch Bell-Ringing in the tower and try it for yourself.

*Pets of all sorts are welcome but please keep them under control (or caged) and clear up after them in case of "accidents". If you plan to bring a horse please contact a Church-warden in advance for arrangements.*

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