



# ST MARY & ST PETER NEWSLETTER



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

February 19

Dear Friends,

In this first Newsletter of 2019 may I wish you a happy, healthy and peace-filled year. May it be one in which you conquer your challenges and keep your resolutions. I wonder whether any of you have made a resolution to come to church more frequently, or to get to know God better, if so, please let me know and say if I can do anything to help you.

As well as looking forward I'd like to look back a little as well, because I'd like to thank you for your very warm welcome on my return from my Sabbatical. We had an amazing time, visiting Singapore, Thailand, Laos, Vietnam, Cambodia: Perth, Adelaide, Melbourne, Brisbane and Sydney in Australia and finally Hong Kong. It is impossible to summarise all that we did which included learning to cook in people's homes, going on 20 different boats and a dozen rivers, seeing more temples than can be remembered, hearing the Buddhist Monks chanting at 4.30 in the morning, learning to cross the road in Saigon and Hanoi very slowly, so that the 40/50 scooters to every car, can drive round you, visiting impoverished hill villages in Laos, learning about different wines in the respective areas of Australia, making new friends and visiting old friends and family, and much more. We were very fortunate.

Sadly, I developed severe sciatica whilst we were away and we had to return early. Since then I have had a spinal injection which helped for a while, but is wearing off. I am therefore having spinal surgery on 6th February. I regret that I will be on Sick Leave for six weeks afterwards, but will back in good time to celebrate Easter.

In the meantime I send my love to you all,



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The Local area is covered by a CFR bag located in Langham ( the bag was supplied by Stratford St Mary Parish Council) and also other bags in Dedham, East Bergholt, Caple St Mary and Manningtree.

The bag is presently used by only one volunteer in Langham.

A volunteer can be on call when ever they want, if you are logged off duty, you do not get called.

At the moment the Stratford St Mary bag is not utilised as much as it could be and I would like to improve this. Ideally I would like some volunteers in the Langham, Stratford St Mary, Boxted and Dedham areas to complete the training and then join me in covering our area. The more hours we have the bag active the better cover we have for ourselves.

If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a CFR please contact me (Peter Dawson) on 07775 667753 and I can let you know more about it.

## BOXTED IN 2019

Photography Competition



Our aim is to provide a contemporary record of Boxted in 2019 for the village archive as part of the fundraising activities for the repair of the Roof and Masonry of St. Peter's Church, Boxted, which are urgently in need of repair.

There will be 8 categories and with winners in each category (including an Under 16 winner in each category).

Categories:

- ◇ Boxted's Four Seasons
- ◇ Boxted Farming and Horticulture
- ◇ Boxted People
- ◇ Boxted Countryside including Wildlife, Trees and Wild Flowers
- ◇ Conservation and Risks to the Environment
- ◇ Boxted Leisure Activities
- ◇ Village Institutions, Activities & Events
- ◇ Signs of Boxted's Past, including Buildings

The Judge(s) will take into account the artistic and technical quality of the images and the insight into daily life in Boxted.

Judging will take place in January 2020 followed by an exhibition in the village of the winning images. It is also planned to publish a book of the winning images and possibly a calendar.

Entries will be £1 per image (50p for Under 16's) with 50p for each image in excess of 10.

The competition rules are on the Boxted Village Website and more information is available from: [stephenwhybrow@msn.com](mailto:stephenwhybrow@msn.com)

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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.

## CHURCH SERVICES

February 2019

### Sunday 3rd

9.30 am Sung Eucharist

*St Mary's*

*Boxted Methodist Chapel*

11.00 am Morning Service (LA)

15.00pm Band Service

### Sunday 10th

9.30 am Sung Eucharist

*St Peter's*

*Boxted Methodist Chapel*

11.00 am Morning Service led by Alan Beesley

*St Mary's*

4.00pm Afternoon Family Service

### Sunday 17th

8.00 am BCP Eucharist

*St Mary's*

*St Mary's*

9.30 am Family Service

*Boxted Methodist Chapel*

11.00 am Morning Service with Communion led by Rev Ken Chalmers

### Sunday 24th

9.30 am Sung Eucharist

*St Peter's*

*Boxted Methodist Chapel*

11.00 am Morning Service (LA)



Work Experience with a Difference

Following discussions with our local Rector Mandy, Amelie Charlton who lives in Boxted and attended the village Primary School spent the week as Child Bishop for Colchester alongside the Bishop of Colchester, The Rt Rev Roger Morris.

The tradition of a child bishop thrives in places like Salisbury Cathedral and various parish churches but Roger said he was not aware of it having happened in Essex in recent years.

By the end of the week, Amelie had visited a young people's Bible Study Group, led the opening worship at Bishop's Council in Chelmsford, attended a school concert in a church in Tendring, met with the stars of the Harry and Chris Show at Colchester the Arts Centre), visited her own youth club and preached a short sermon at St Leonard's Church in Lexden.

## LANGHAM 100 CLUB

November's 100 club winners

1. Ian Sutherland (63)
2. Helen Hewes (96)
3. Gill Salt (88)
4. Darren Doyle (94)

December's 100 club winners

1. Darren Doyle (94)
2. Maureen Bland (94)
3. Juliette Ackerman (56)
4. Ann Hollands (48)

St Mary's Need a little help? St Peter's

## Good Neighbours

Monday to Friday 8 am to 7 pm

Ring one of the numbers on the yellow cards available in Boxted Village Hall & Community Hub Langham Shop and the Churches

## Calling all Langham residents and village groups

If you have details of activities or events which you would like publicised free in the village community news columns of the Essex County Standard and East Anglian Daily Times, please send copy to the Village Correspondent, Tony Ellis, e-mail [liz.tonyellis@btinternet.com](mailto:liz.tonyellis@btinternet.com).

For village groups sending a programme of coming events is also very helpful.

## FEBRUARY 2019 VILLAGE DIARY

|  |                             |  |  |                            |                      |
|--|-----------------------------|--|--|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Boxted Parish Council                              | 13th 7.00                   | Village Hall                             | Langham Parish Council                               | 5th 7.30                   | Community Centre     |
| Boxted WI  | 12th 7.30                   | Chinese New Year Cook Off                | Coffee morning & 100 Club Draw                       | TBC                        | Community Centre     |
| Boxted Evergreen Club                              | 7th 2.30                    | Village Hall                             | Crafty Ladies  | 2nd 10.00 — 3.00           | Community Centre     |
|  | 21st 2.30                   | History of Mile End<br>Village Hall      | Patchwork Pals                                       | 16th 10.00 — 2.30          | Community Centre     |
|  |                             | Social Afternoon including Bring and Buy | Langham Ladies                                       | 10th                       | (The Essex Scrubber) |
| Boxted History Group                               | 20th 7.30 for 8             | Village Hall                             | Langham Film Nights                                  | T.B.A.                     | Community Centre     |
|  |                             | Anglican Clerical Characters             | Boxted Airfield Historical Group                     | TBC                        | Museum L'ham Lane    |
| Boxted Coffee Café                                 | Tuesday 10.30—12            | Boxted Hub                               | Langham Carpet Bowls                                 | Tuesday 2.00 & Friday 7.30 | Community Centre     |
| Boxted Arts & Crafts Club                          | 6th & 20th 2.00             | Village Hall                             | Langham Bridge Club                                  | Monday 7.00                | Community Centre     |
| Boxted Carpet Bowls                                | Monday 2.00 & Friday 7.00   | Village Hall                             | 2nd Langham Scout Group                              | Wednesday (times vary)     | Community Centre     |
| Boxted Lodgers FC                                  | Wednesday 7.00              | Playing Field                            | Langham Tennis Club Coaching Sessions                | Recreation Ground          |                      |
| Boxted Running Club                                | Thursday 9.15am             | Village Hall                             | Saturday & Sunday Pay & Play: 10.15—11.15 (age 5—10) |                            |                      |
|  | Sunday 8.05am               | Village Hall                             | 11.15—12.30 (age 11—17)                              |                            |                      |
| Little Owls Pre-School (Boxted)                    |                             | Playing Field                            | Langham St Mary's Bell ringers                       | St Mary's Church           |                      |
| Monday to Friday in school term                    |                             |  | Tuesday 7.30—9.00                                    | Sunday Services 9.00       |                      |
| 9.15—12.15 & 12.15—3.15 (9.15—3.15 also available) |                             |  |  |                            |                      |
| Open Door  |                             | Village Hall                             |  |                            |                      |
| Friday in school term                              | 8.45—10.15                  |  |  |                            |                      |
| Boxted Methodist Silver Band                       | Methodist Chapel Schoolroom |  |  |                            |                      |
| Wednesday  | 7.30                        |  |  |                            |                      |
| Monday in school term                              | 7.30 (Training Band)        |  |  |                            |                      |
| Church Youth Group                                 | Methodist Chapel Schoolroom |  |  |                            |                      |
| Zone:  | 5.30—7.30                   |  |  |                            |                      |
| Edge:  | 1st and 15th 7.30—9 pm      |  |  |                            |                      |



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## LANGHAM LADIES

Christine Beedle's recollections of her entrepreneurial life setting up a cleaning company were illuminating and showed how being a caring and empathetic person can lead to great success.

We had a record turnout, gaining 4 new members and are looking forward to another great year for our ladies.

Next month's meeting, which falls on Valentine's Day, gives us a chance to see how chocolates are made and hopefully sample the results. Another fun evening to look forward to.

Coming up - trip to see Annie at the Mercury Theatre, lunch at Colchester Institute's restaurant and a course to learn more about technology.

For more details, contact Gill Brown, 273286

## Play Area Inspector

Would you like to help make your play areas safe?

Do you have an hour to spare each week?

Would you enjoy an outside task?

Boxted Parish Council would like a volunteer to carry out a short visual inspection of the play areas every week to make sure they are safe.

For Details contact Karen Thompson (Clerk to the Parish Council) on 07971 525688 or email [boxtedparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:boxtedparishcouncil@gmail.com)

**Copy for the March issue should be with the Editor Tim Clarke  
E-mail: [lwbnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:lwbnewsletter@gmail.com)  
by Thursday 14th February**

## Notice of Annual Members Meeting

Langham Community Shop Association

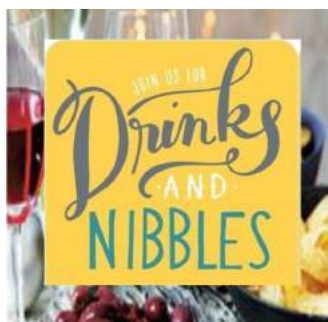
Tuesday 26th February 2019

In the Club room of the

Langham Community Centre

Start time of 7.30pm

Please join us for the AMM and for drinks and nibbles afterwards



## BOXTED HISTORY GROUP

The subject of the illustrated talk at Novembers meeting was the building of the tower at Bury St Edmunds Cathedral. The Clerk of Works for the project, "Horry Parson", traced the history of the original abbey to its extension in the 1960's. As so often happens due to financial restraints the tower did not progress above roof level and was later resurrected by the Millennium project, this was not the end of the challenges seem but in part due to Prince Charles the tower was completed and is largely what was planned 50 years ago.

In contrast the last meeting of 2018 was a very colourful "Eccentric look at East Anglia's Countryside" by local historian author and radio presenter "Charles Haylock" relating to the social history and restraints imposed on the residents of the area from the 'Landed Gentry to the Peasants'.

## Did you know that Boxted residents help keep village priority areas gritted?

As part of the Essex Winter Salt Scheme, Boxted gets a delivery of salt each year to keep areas clear of ice and snow. To do this we rely on local volunteers. At present we can cover:

- Village Hall Car Park
- Path to Little Owls
- Path to the Village Hall alongside the road
- The junction of Ellis Road and Queens Head Road
- Straight Road/ Queen's Head Road junction
- Green Lane and Workhouse Hill junction
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If you can think of a priority area that isn't covered and you would be able to help keep it clear then please get in touch with Karen, our Clerk. Email [boxtedparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:boxtedparishcouncil@gmail.com) or phone 07971 525688.



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## CHILDRENS SOCIETY BOXES

Its that time of year again!

The house collection boxes will need to be gathered in & counted from early February. They may be brought to either Church on 3rd or 10th February, or contact the local Children's Society representatives (Boxted: Gill Pullen, Tel. 273804; Langham: Denise Hobday, Tel. 230918) for collection. Thank you to all the kind folks who have collected throughout the year.

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