



ST MARY & ST PETER
NEWSLETTER

May 2022

CHURCH SERVICES

1st May - Third Sunday of Easter
9.30am at St Mary's - All-age worship
6.30pm at St Mary's - the Eucharist

8th May - Fourth Sunday of Easter
9.30am at St Peter's - the Eucharist

15th May - Fifth Sunday of Easter
9.30am at St Mary's - the Eucharist
followed by Annual Parochial Church Meeting
4.00pm at St Peter's - Teatime Family Service

22nd May - Sixth Sunday of Easter
9.30am at St Peter's - the Eucharist

26th May - Ascension Day
8.00pm at St Mary's **West Bergholt** - the Eucharist

29th May - Seventh Sunday of Easter
10.00am at St John the Baptist, **Mount Bures** United service with Holy Communion, Preacher the Revd Janet Nicholls, Diocesan Rural Advisor and Agricultural Chaplain

5th June - Pentecost
9.30am at St Mary's - the Eucharist
3.30pm Boxted Recreation Ground
Outdoor Pentecost and Jubilee service

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Email Jo Russell, Church Administrator, for the Zoom link
(wb.wb.gh.parishes@gmail.com)



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Deadline for submissions for the June edition: 15th May
Contact the editor via email: lwbnewsletter@gmail.com

Welcome to the May Newsletter.

This issue marks the completion of my **second** year as Editor-in-Chief of this esteemed publication.

It has been an interesting span so far, with a good many notable developments, some of which could never have been foreseen (the outbreak of Covid-19, the Russo-Ukrainian war) while others were less of a surprise.

What will the third year bring, we wonder? Boxted Bridge nominated for an architectural prize? Fillpots Garden Centre rebranded as the new Eden Project? Only time will tell.

Save the Date

**SUNDAY 5TH JUNE 2022
BOXTED CELEBRATES**



With a
**JUBILEE PICNIC
KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD**

**FAMILY PET SHOW | DOG SHOW | COME AS A ROYAL
FANCY DRESS | GAMES | STREET FOOD | BRING YOUR
OWN PICNIC | BOXTED SILVER BAND | LIVE MUSIC INTO
THE EVENING AND MORE**

Volunteers required. Please contact
boxtedvillagewebsite@gmail.com if you would like to help
on the day.

Plans for the **Queen's Platinum Jubilee** celebrations are in now nearing completion and both villages have clearly put a lot of time and effort into them.

Given that the United Kingdom has never had a Platinum Jubilee before — and will never do so again in our lifetimes — it seems only right for us to support as many of the various events as possible. Of course, this being England, the eternal caveat applies “Weather Permitting”.

As a bonus, the centre-pages of this issue comprise a special pull-out-and-keep four-page handy reference for the activities planned for Langham. Doubtless, the obsessive collectors among you, who treasure your monthly newsletters and preserve them lovingly in archive files made from acid-free paper, will wish to hold off on such desecration—the rest of you can just go ahead and give the middle section a good, hard tug.

A consequence of the verbiage generated by the Jubilee is that there is more than a usual amount of material to include this time. So, due to space constraints, you have been spared the customary **Parish Council** reports this time—consider it a late Easter gift!

Steve Pollington, Editor



Village Green Update

Hello, and welcome to the first update from the **Biodiversity and Sustainability working group**. We are an enthusiastic group of volunteers working to improve the environment within and around Boxted. The group has only been active for a few months but yet we have many potential goals, aims and initiatives. We meet once a month to review the progress of current work and discuss potential future work and initiatives. We are still in the process of formalising the group and so are still open to new volunteers who might want to lend their experience, interests or opinions to the group.

Earlier in the year you may have seen the work being undertaken on the new Village Green at Boxted Cross, adjacent to the Hill Farm development. This is a great peaceful space in the heart of the village, but unfortunately it was not delivered to the Parish in quite the condition it was intended. With a budget from the Boxted

Parish Council, the group set forth to bring the Green up to a standard of which the village could be proud, with of course, a focus on promoting biodiversity through carefully selected planting of native varieties of plants and hedging. The volunteers of the group have been working hard over numerous weekends and some week days to plant over two thousand flowering bulbs, spreading wildflower seed, mowing the lawns and planting



native hedging. The green has been divided into a number of areas. Two areas have been dedicated to wildflower planting; these are located either side of the central circular bench and oak tree. Around the edges of the green, swathes of flowering bulbs have been planted between and around the existing hedging and fruit trees. Everywhere else the grass is being



survey to establish the level of interest in, and level of knowledge of; environmental, biodiversity and sustainability topics within the Village. This survey will help us decide how best to progress with our work and what appetite there is in the village for this work. Examples

maintained by the group as conventional mown lawn so that it may be enjoyed for walking and general use such as picnics. The group's aim has been to plant a rich assortment of native species to enhance the environment in which wildlife can prosper and thrive, but also to make it a beautiful spot for all to visit and enjoy a more naturalised landscape.

As well as continuing to maintain the Village Green, the group has a number of other initiatives it is beginning to approach such as promoting the use of footpaths within and around the village and determining the necessary requirements for maintaining public rights of way where required and making them more accessible for all. Additionally, the group is looking to publish a

might be: is there an interest or demand for a monthly presentation/workshop on practical gardening skills, or vegetable growing skills and tips? Would more people in the village like to grow their own vegetables but don't know where to start? That is just one avenue we would be interested to explore.

For more information or to express an interest in the group then please contact Cllr. Jonathan Hunt on cllr.hunt@boxtedparishcouncil.org.uk

Cllr. Jonathan Hunt

cllr.hunt@boxtedparishcouncil.org.uk

Photos: Lisa Scott





Pencil Art Group
Boxted Village Hall
Beginners welcome

Contact Karen for more information

willowsfodedham@gmail.com

Make your Will this June
and support your local hospice



This June, St Helena Hospice's Wills Month returns, giving local people the opportunity to make or amend their Will whilst supporting the hospice.

Three local solicitors have waived their usual fees and will write or amend individual or mirror Wills in return for a suggested donation to St Helena Hospice.

Rachel Joy, St Helena Hospice fundraiser, said: "Having a Will is really important, whatever your age or circumstances, yet more than 50% of British people do not have a valid Will. If you haven't made your Will yet, or need to update it, June is the perfect time to do so.

"We are hugely grateful to Birkett Long, John Fowlers Solicitors, and Fisher Jones Greenwood, our participating solicitors.

Thanks to them, all the money raised from Wills Month will go towards ensuring more local people receive the comfort, dignity and compassion they deserve, right to the end of life.

"1 in 5 patients and families cared for by St Helena Hospice are supported by donations made from gifts in Wills. When the time is right for you to remember a charity in your Will, please remember St Helena Hospice."

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To find out more about Wills Month or to book your appointment with a participating solicitor, please visit www.sthelena.org.uk/willsmoonth2022

Appointments must be booked via the online booking form on the St Helena Hospice website or by calling the fundraising team on 01206 931 468.

LANGHAM TENNIS CLUB

(Langham Community Centre CO4 5PA)

FAMILY DOUBLES TENNIS TOURNAMENT

AS PART OF THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS 2022

SATURDAY 4th JUNE

11.30am till 2.30pm

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BOXTED & LANGHAM QUIZ

1. With which major feature film was local historian and dialect coach Charlie Haylock involved?
2. Which spring bulbs have been planted on the Green by the Biodiversity Group?
3. When will Langham hold its celebratory *Gardens Trail* for the Platinum Jubilee festivities?
4. In which year did Langham first receive a mains water supply?
5. Langham hosts a number of charity races each year, but which clubs organise the Langham 10km and Langham Fun Run events?

All answers have been fact-checked by reference to the respective village websites, articles in the magazine and asking around in the pub. They are on p.9

BOXTED

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION CLUB OPENING HOURS

Monday	_____	Closed
Tuesday	_____	16:30 – 21:30
Wednesday	_____	16:30 – 00:00
Thursday*	_____	16:30 – 21:30
Friday	_____	16:30 – 00:00
Saturday	_____	15:00 – 00:00
Sunday	_____	13:00 – 21:00



Everyone welcome

* Closed Thursday 21st April

BOXTED HISTORY GROUP

The group welcomed back to Boxted the well-known local historian, writer and character, Charlie Haylock. He is best known for the many books he has written and talks he has given on the history of the English language, local dialects and in particular the accents found in Suffolk and North Essex. This time, however, he talked about his involvement in the production of the film “*The Dig*” - the story of the excavation of the Anglo-Saxon burial site at Sutton Hoo, near Woodbridge. Charlie’s challenge was to teach all members of the cast with speaking parts how to “speak Suffolk”. It eventually took five months with numerous one-to-one sessions with Ralph Fiennes (who played Basil Brown) and group tutorials

with the rest. Ralph completely immersed himself in the part, even to wearing period dress and speaking “Suffolk” until he became Basil Brown. The audience were led to believe that it became necessary for him and Charlie to spend much time in local pubs perfecting his accent and enjoying a pint together. As always, Charlie’s talk was interesting, informative, very amusing and with a few saucy incidents thrown in.

Next meeting: **Wednesday 18th May in Boxted Village Hall. 7.30 for 8.00 pm.** “F.D. Roosevelt” by Jef Page. AGM followed by the usual complementary refreshments. Visitors always welcome. £3 admission. Enquiries: 01206 272774.

Keith Middleton

Chairman



Langham CELEBRATES

We are looking for local talent!

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Impress with gymnastics? STREET ART? Act? Juggle?
Choreograph? Unseen talent? anything else?...

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on 01206 272485 or 07752 057015
or email langhamcelebrates@gmail.com

Fly Tipping on Cooks Hill

Over the past few months there have been several incidents of fly tipping at the bottom of Cooks Hill, next to the footpath sign. The rubbish has included a cooker, fridge, freezer, 3 mattresses and most recently a large armchair. This is becoming a regular event after each load is cleared away by CBC.

What is doubly disappointing is that the offenders probably live locally and may even be reading this. If they are, then please stop this anti-social behaviour that shows disrespect for your environment and your

neighbours. Use the free council facilities at Shrub End or the refuse freighter that comes to the village.

If residents come across fly tipping, it can be reported easily on the CBC website at www.colchester.gov.uk/street-cleaning/.

They will remove items that are not on landowners' property i.e are on the side of the road, but not in ditches or fields.

All the items noted have been reported.

QUIZ ANSWERS

(1) *The Dig* with Ralph Fiennes (2) Daffodill bulbs, snowdrops, bluebells and snakehead fritillaries (3) Friday 3rd June (4) 1939 (5) Boxted Runners and Friends of Langham Schools

Gold on Greote — Treasures in the Soil

A gold ring was found somewhere in Langham in September 2021; its Portable Antiquity Scheme reference is SUR-67AB6D.

It probably dates from the 7th century, the age of the great treasures of Sutton Hoo and the Staffordshire Hoard, when such beaded wire rings could be used as finger rings and also as collars on larger display items such as swords.

The findspot is probably near the present course of the A12 and it is especially interesting since a gold sword pommel of the same period was found a few years ago on the other side of the A12 at Ardleigh (PAS reference ESS-27D367).

Gold sword fittings are rare finds and demand attention. Their presence suggests that a (local?) landowner was sufficiently wealthy to own a prized weapon—and a suitably impressive set of wargear to go with it. Doubtless he went to war wearing a crested helmet and an iron mailcoat, and carrying a large shield with gilt-bronze decorations displaying his ancestry and cultural affiliations.

But gold in post-Roman Britain was not in short supply, mostly sourced from melted-down Roman coins. It was used to make beautiful objects such as brooches, rings, necklaces, goblets, tableware and also for decorative fittings

for weapons and horse-harness. Gold jewellery set with garnets is the typical combination for the period, seen on the pommel of the Sutton Hoo Mound 1 sword (opposite.)

Some of the most spectacular such pieces have come from burial mounds like the ones at Sutton Hoo, Prittlewell, Broomfield and elsewhere. Many such mounds were robbed in the past (and sadly sometimes even in the present day) while the creation of canals, railways and modern roads have seen the destruction of many others.

Perhaps a prominent burial mound like the one at Prittlewell once stood beside the A12, the old Roman road from London to the Norfolk coast, and was disturbed in later road-widening. Its contents might have been unnoticed and spread in the spoilheap, then redeposited in the surrounding fields.

Alternatively, the spot may have been the site of a battle in which the sword was lost – and presumably the owner lost his life too, else he would have retrieved so precious a prize. Warfare was endemic in the period which saw new states emerging in the post-Roman world, and new religions. The East Saxons received Christianity three times—twice from Canterbury and later from Suffolk. The clash of competing brands of Christian faith—Roman- and Irish-based—added to the religious confusion of the age.



Above: The Ardleigh sword pommel

Below: The Langham ring—hilt fitting



Above: Modern reproduction of the hilt of the sword found in Mound 1 at Sutton Hoo, the great ship-burial

The 7th century was just the time when the East Saxons were caught up in the competition (and perhaps open warfare) between the wealthier neighbouring kingdoms of Kent and East Anglia. The kings of Essex valiantly resisted the power of both.

Finally, in 662 AD, the Essex king, Swithelm, accepted baptism at Rendlesham in Suffolk, near the tribal burial ground at Sutton Hoo, then a royal palace and a place of great importance, the heart of the East Anglian kingdom. In doing so, Swithelm showed acceptance of the domination of his northern neighbours and Essex became linked into the North Sea culture of East Anglia rather than the Frankish culture of Kent.

There is an irony in Swithelm's conversion because he only came to power after helping his brother, Swithfrith, kill their kinsman King Sigeberht—because he was too submissive in accepting the authority of a Christian bishop! Doubtless politics played a large part in these matters, then as now.

Of course, we may never know who owned the sword when it was lost. It might have been an East Anglian warlord, or one of King Swithelm's leading East Saxon warriors - or even the king himself?

Steve Pollington

From Councillor Lewis Barber

Since my last update, I continue to work on the communities' priorities with Cllr Chapman and the Parish Councils.

I appreciate this is a difficult time for many households with the rising cost of living. That is why Essex County Council has support structures in place to assist with any households struggling, as well as investing in tackling some of the underlying causes of hardship in our communities. If you do need assistance, please do get in touch on *Cllr.lewis.barber@essex.gov.uk*

We are progressing on improving safety to/from Boxted primary school. My understanding is that some households in Boxted who should have received a copy of the leaflet through the post have yet to do so. If that is yourself and you would like a copy, please let me know on *cllr.lewis.barber@essex.gov.uk* and I will get a copy to you. We are currently awaiting the results from Highways of a study of the area. Once we have that and we have considered the consultation responses, we will be able to determine the next steps.

I have made a contribution of £2,000 from my locality budget towards proposals to improve the road safety and pedestrian, cycle and equestrian access between the villages of north Colchester and north Colchester itself, such as Northern Gateway. The cost of the initial scheme

will be £10,500, for which Highways will look at preparing proposals to tackle the above issues for consultation with the community. I am pleased to confirm that on top of my locality budget contribution, I have secured £5,000 from the Local Highways Panel and now will be seeking the balance to get this important project going. At the time of writing, I am liaising with local Parish Councils and Colchester Borough Council to do so.

In Langham, we have worked with the Parish Council to review the results of the traffic survey. Following this, I have submitted an application to the Local Highway Panel to consider village gateways and rumble strips at the approach to Park Lane junction and on Birchwood Road on the approach to Wick Road junction. I'd welcome your thoughts on this ahead of a formal consultation. I am also working with the Parish Council on the installation of speed indicator devices to help reduce speeds. Over the coming weeks, there will be speed surveys in various locations across Boxted and Langham as we measure traffic flows and speeds. This follows on from discussions about how to improve safety and traffic management. We will share the updates and possible solutions for consultation and discussion once we have them.

In Boxted, I have objected to the proposals for housing on the garage site unless they resolve the parking issues that are likely to arise. At the time of print, I am awaiting the outcome of this application, although Highways have objected to it. Similarly, we are also awaiting news on the application for Boxted Bridge, for which I have made my concerns firmly known.

I am pleased to see the investment secured in Severalls Lane has taken place. This is welcome and overdue and I made it a priority road for me to obtain the resources for repairs once elected. We are still awaiting the outcome of the option study from National Highways as to the future of the A12 bridge. I am continuing to push for this matter to be resolved as

soon as possible and will share the outcome for views once received.

I also appreciate the frustration that can occur when other Highways issues, including flooding, are not dealt with as quickly as we like. That is why at our recent budget meeting I voted for an additional financial contribution to Highways to assist and to ensure rural Highways get a fair deal. We only have a finite budget but please do let me know of any issues and I will do my best to secure the money for repairs/ action. There is also a Property Flood Resilience Grant for up to £8,000 per property that the County Council provides to help address flooding problems.



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Gardens Trail **Friday 3rd June, 10am to 2pm**

*Would you like to open your garden for visitors
from the village?*

For further details email langhamcelebrates@gmail.com

On rural crime, I am pleased to see that the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner Roger Hirst is consulting on a rural crime strategy. I will be working to ensure the views of the communities I represent are fed into this and I'd welcome any views you have on rural crime. Roger has been hosting public workshops on the strategy and I have requested for a session to be held in the area.

ECC is currently working on its next stage of its new bus strategy. Myself and ECC more widely is committed to the promotion of sustainable transport and improvements in rural bus services. Please do let me know any views you have and I will ensure the Councillor in charge of bus services is aware. We also continue to monitor and put pressure on the relevant authorities to ensure that Trinity School's permanent date does not slip any further

beyond the now planned September 2023, which in turn will ensure that there are suitable local secondary school places for our local communities as the school expands.

Throughout the month, we send out local information to our email newsletter. If you would like to subscribe, please do let me know.

Finally, the situation in Ukraine remains troubling and distressing. The support from the community has been inspiring to see in these difficult times. I am receiving regular updates on this issue and Essex County Council has a website with information on how you can help here:

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/news/essex-stands-with-ukraine-what-you-can-do-to-help>

Cllr.Lewis.Barber@essex.gov.uk

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The Queen's Platinum Jubilee: Programme of Events

Thursday 2 June, 6.00 to 10.00 pm, Evening Party on the Recreation Ground with live music, food and drink, lighting of the Beacon.

Friday 3 June, 10.00 am to 2.00 pm, Langham Gardens Trail, visit gardens around the village.

Sunday 5 June, 12 noon to 6.00 pm, Village Picnic Street Party, bring your own picnic, drinks tent, live music, vintage sports, entertainment, funfair rides and more. These events are supported by Langham Parish Council.

For further details contact langhamcelebrates@gmail.com

Spring is bursting upon us!

Every which way we turn, we can't fail to miss the new signs of life springing forth, as trees which just a few months ago deposited all their leaves in our gardens, now have that fresh green spring hue, the promise of the leaves yet to fully emerge.

Gardens are becoming full of colour as the spring bulbs bloom and wayside roads and ditches are a haven for primroses.

It's a wonderful time of year.

And as spring bursts upon us, I am always reminded of a few lines in one of my favourite hymns, In Christ alone, which go like this:

Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again!

As we prepare to celebrate Easter, Jesus' bursting forth from the grave that first Easter morning, we do so in the northern hemisphere, in the midst of spring, when all around us new life in bursting forth.

The image of resurrection echoed for us in all creation as what seemed dead is alive once more.

Yet Jesus's resurrection is more than just a reawakening. He truly was dead, Roman soldiers were good at their trade, they didn't make mistakes, and when Jesus was speared in the side, his blood had separated, the heavier red cells had separated from the plasma, or as John writes in his gospel 'a sudden flow of blood and water.' This only happens after death has occurred.

Jesus was dead, but three days later, we celebrate his resurrection, as he burst forth from the grave. And with his resurrection the promise of eternal life for all who believe.

So as we see new life emerging all around us. Let us remember the resurrection promise of Jesus Christ our Lord this Easter time.

Happy Easter and may God bless you.

Reverend Heather



RIDE FOR HELEN

Sunday 15th May 2022

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Langham Celebrates



****PULL OUT & KEEP****

programme **OF EVENTS**

THURSDAY 2nd June 2022

6pm to 10pm

Evening Party

Langham Recreation Ground

Opening the weekend of village festivities...

'The Big Jubilee Cake'

From 6pm, Live Music from the Remoras

6pm to 9pm, Mobile Fish & Chips Van & Pizza Van

9.15 pm, Lighting of the beacon

All evening, Pop up Shepherd & Dog Beer Tent

Everyone welcome, free entry

Langham Celebrates



FRIDAY 3rd June 2022

10am to 2pm

*Langham Garden Trail
&
Childrens Treasure Hunt*

**Trail & Treasure Maps & Program available from
LANGHAM COMMUNITY SHOP
Plants for sale**

*Ample parking, Refreshments available from
Langham Community Shop & The Shepherd & Dog*

Platinum Jubilee Tree Dedication

*Follow the daisy trail & visit some amazing
gardens around our beautiful village*

Langham Celebrates



SATURDAY 4th June 2022

11.30am to 3pm

History of Langham

Langham Community Centre

*Ample parking, Refreshments available from
Langham Community Shop & The Community Centre*

2pm Langham History talk & slideshow

Photographs & memorabilia

Boxted Airfield History Group

Flypast between 12 & 2pm

11.30am to 2.30pm, Family doubles tennis tournament

*Come & learn about the interesting history
of Langham Village & Boxted Airfield*

Everyone welcome, free entry

Langham Celebrates



SUNDAY 5th June 2022
12 to 6pm

Village Street Party Picnic

Langham Recreation Ground

Bring your own picnic, chairs & rugs,
Pop up Shepherd & Dog beer tent,
Funfair rides & bouncy fun, Flypast between 12 & 2pm

*Local Entertainment throughout the afternoon including:
Live music, songs & memories from the decades, readings, tug of war,
children's sports, children's karate display, children's dance display*

Scouts Pizza oven pizzas from 4pm

Fancy dress (if you would like to)
(come dressed from the era or something royal)

Platinum Jubilee Cake Competition

(judged on decoration & taste)

Jubilee cupcakes on a tea plate (age 4 to 10 years)

Jubilee cupcakes on a tea plate (age 11 to 16 years)

Platinum Jubilee cake (open)

Entries 12 to 2pm, judging 2.15 pm by Langham Ladies

Further info Gill Brown 01206 273286

Everyone welcome, free entry



Boxted's Big Jubilee Picnic

SUNDAY 5TH JUNE 2022

KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELD

Programme of Events

2:00pm Family Pet Show

2:00pm Fun Dog Show

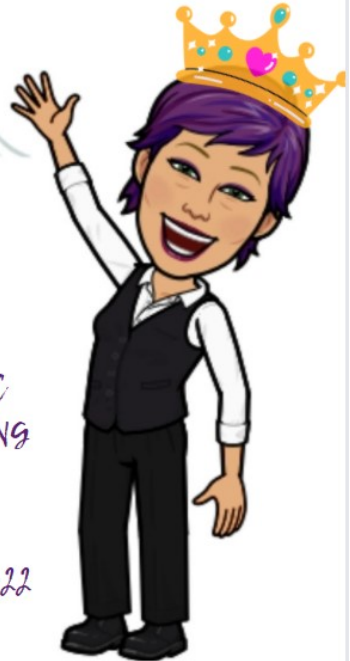
3:30pm Boxted Methodist Silver Band with Service and
Presenting the Royal British Legion Standard Royal
Salute

4:30pm Judging of Fancy Dress competition

5:00pm Judging of Cake Decoration competition

5:00pm - 9:00pm Live music with Mark Fogg Eliot, The Silburys and
Smoke 'n' Mirrors





BIG JUBILEE PICNIC
KING GEORGE V PLAYING
FIELD, BOXTED
CO4 5RE
Sunday, 5th June 2022

@VISITTHETEAPOD

LANGHAM LADIES

Brenda Green, a potter, gave a talk on “*A ball of clay to a finished pot*” explaining the various techniques then invited the members to try their hand on designing a tile. The members will now have to wait to see if their handiwork survive the kiln.

The next meeting on **12th May** will be a fashion show presented by Bromley & Co. from Ipswich, commencing at 7.30 pm.

Any ladies who would like to become a member of our club will always be welcome to join us at our monthly meetings in **Langham Community Centre, Langham at 7.30 pm every second Thursday** in the month.

Harpers @ Boxted Hub,

Cage Lane has now been open for a few months and we really appreciate the support which the local and sporting community has given us. It is so lovely to meet new faces and we can't wait to meet more.

We are here for you, and everyone is welcome.

We would love your input on how to make us more inclusive.

We are offering, breakfasts, great Italian coffee, teas and cakes, sandwiches, ciabattas, jacket potatoes and lunchtime specials, soft drinks, wine and beers.

Our menu is temporary as we would like local input to finalise it after the refurbishment, expected in July and any other ideas that we can introduce.

**harpers
caffè**

We are available for parties, events and meetings. Our current hours are **Tuesday – Friday 9am – 4pm, Saturday and Sunday 9am – 2pm** (extended when sport is playing, on request).

Hours will extend in the summer.

We will be involved in the Jubilee celebrations on Sunday 5th June on the playing field, Boxted.

A few suggestions have come forward and we would like to know if they would be popular: **fresh bread** on a pre order basis, sale of **newspapers** and **milk**.

We are on *Facebook.com/harperscaffè*.

Tel 01206 272129 — **Ask for Douglas**



BOXTED HISTORY GROUP

Meeting every third Wednesday of the month at Boxted Village Hall.

7.30 for 8pm.

Guests always welcome.



Boxted Bingo

Boxted Village Hall
Every other Tuesday
3pm - 5pm
£8 per session
(Includes 4 games of bingo)

For more information
Call Dot on 01206 272676

BOXTED CARPET BOWLS CLUB

Come and join us for a friendly, enjoyable afternoon playing bowls at **Boxted Village Hall** **Fridays 2pm - 4pm**
Any information contact Chris Lawrence 01206 272654.

chris-lawrence@hotmail.co.uk

2nd Langham Scout Group

Meetings are held each Wednesday evening at the Community Centre.

Beavers: 5.00 to 6.15 pm. **Cubs:** 6.15 to 7.30 pm. **Scouts:** 7.30 to 9.00 pm.

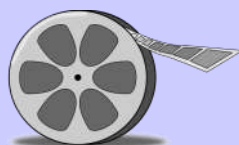
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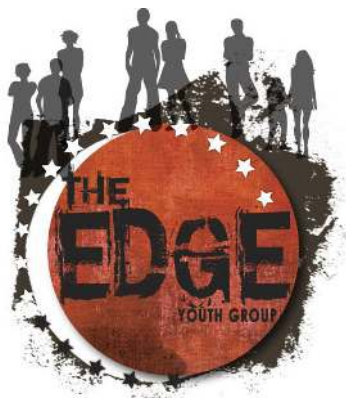


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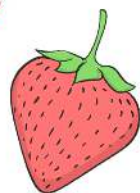
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