

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Sally Gotelee writes

FLOWER ARRANGERS

It is with great sadness that we report the death of Katherine Morris. Katherine lived in Lawford and was a loyal member of the church flower groups for more than 15 years. We will miss her very much.

Julie Vince & Sarah Betts write

BREAST CANCER CHARITIES

We would like to say thank you to all who sponsored us for the Playtex Moonwalk event. It was very cold at first, but after sunrise it was a lovely day. We completed the 26.2 miles in 7 hours and 45 minutes. The result was that a total of £2,250 was raised - which was well worth the blisters!



Paw Slingo writes

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Don't forget that Saturday 25 August, the Bank Holiday weekend, the Society will be holding its Autumn Show, from 2 p.m. Prize-Giving will be at 3.45 p.m. Open to non-members. All exhibits to staged between 9 - 11 a.m. Schedule available from Committee members; ☎ 231 164 or ☎ 323 216.

MAGAZINE DELIVERIES

The system of getting the Parish Magazines to every home usually works wonderfully well, thanks to the dedication of many (we do not know how many) volunteers who take responsibility for delivering to their neighbours. There are even volunteers from out of Dedham who share the task. Thank you all.

Request from Jill-Marie Davies

BELL-RINGERS

Volunteers are needed who would be willing to ring the church bells for weddings, particularly for those on Fridays, when regular most of our regular bell-ringers are at work or at school. If you can help (there will be a small fee paid) please let the Parish Office know ☎ 322 136.

If you know of someone who would

be willing to share the task, by being willing to deliver a few magazines, or if there are regular problems, such as non-delivery or late delivery, please have a word with David Watson ☎ 322 130, who is the chief Dedham Parish Magazine delivery co-ordinator (and has done that for years...thanks!)

FUZZLE ANSWER



Face up and

FUZZLED FINKING?

Your Fuzzle contributions would be welcomed.

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PARISH
MAGAZINE

**Summer
2007**

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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

JUNIOR
CHURCH

10.15 a.m.

Family Service in Church
1st Sunday in month
In the Assembly Rooms
on all other Sundays
during school terms

PARISH CHURCH NOTICEBOARD

Details of the usual pattern of services can be found on Page 1. Special, additional, or changes to services are given below:

There will be no 8.30 a.m. services of Holy Communion during the month of August



TOWER FLAG DAYS THIS MONTH

17 August : Tower Open Day
26— 31 August : ‘Open Doors Week’

From the Registers

BAPTISM

1 July 2007 Grace Erin PARTRICK

WEDDINGS

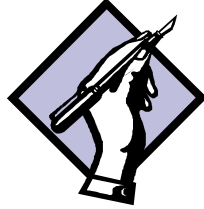
23 June 2007 John Richard BLYTHE & Lucy Ellen HEHIR
 7 July 2007 Stewart Michael WRIGHT & Kimberley GODDARD
 14 July Samuel George VIDLER & Rachael Katie HOLLOWAY

FUNERALS

21 June 2007 Jonathan MESSENGER (86)
 28 June 2007 Irene Ellen JAMES (92)

INTERMENT of ASHES

23 June 2007 Joan Irene PAGE (87)



NOTICEBOARD

DEDHAM VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT ASSOCIATION

In the Duchy Barn

Saturday 22 September 2007

2 - 4 p.m. Exhibition of Final Draft Statement
 4.30 p.m. Annual General Meeting of Association

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE

Do take this opportunity to see the Village Design Statement and let us have your comments. This is intended to be the *last community consultation* before publication.

Judith Fowle ☎ 322 938

DEDHAM ARTS GROUP

The Summer Exhibition will be held at Littlegarth Studio, High Street Dedham

Saturday 25 August until Monday 27 August 2007.



Admission is free
 Exhibition open daily :

11 a.m. until 5 p.m.

There will be a private viewing open to members and their friends on Friday 24 August at the studio at 6 p.m.

AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY



Bric-a-brac & Books REQUIRED
 for stalls

in aid of Church Funds.

Please ☎ 322 000 if collection is needed.



Join in a keep-fit class...
Dedham: Assembly Rooms

Come along and have fun
and make new friends

Monday 10 a.m.
Tuesday 7 p.m.

Suitable for all ages and abilities.
Wear comfortable clothing & trainers.
Bring this notice along
and get the first class FREE.

Contact Maureen Carrington
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DEDHAM EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

**Have you started in a new School, College or University?
Did you know that financial help is locally available?**

Secondary school grants, university grants and maintenance allowances for educational purposes are offered to young people resident in the Parishes of Dedham, Ardleigh, Bradfield, Great Bromley and Stratford St. Mary

For full particulars and application form:

Mrs Jean Flewin, Clerk to the Governors,
Coppins, Crown Street, Dedham,
Colchester CO7 6AT

Closing date for applications:
22 October 2007



THE MOBILE LIBRARY

will visit Dedham
on Friday

10 & 24 August
7 & 21 September

	Arr.	Dep.
Royal Square	9.45	10.25
Parsons Field	10.30	10.50
Dedham Meade	11.10	11.40

Improve your Bridge!

Would you like to learn to play Bridge better?



There will be a new class at the Duchy Barn

Wednesday afternoons
1: 45 — 3: 45 p.m.

19 September to 12 December
£ 53 for 13 WEEKS

Enquiries, or to join, contact
Mike Fisher 01394 388 237

From the Vicar Summer 2007

HAVE A BREAK

'If I were a medical man I should prescribe a holiday to any patient who considered his work important.'

So wrote Bertrand Russell when observing how often one of the symptoms of an impending breakdown is the belief that one's work is indispensably important. Whilst many of us rightly care about the work we do, I also think we can recognise Russell's warning and be glad to take his prescription.

August is a time of holiday for many people. Let me wish you well if you are going away and welcome the many people who will be visiting Dedham Parish Church throughout this summer.

Holidays are an opportunity to refresh ourselves, and to restore a sense of perspective to all we are doing. They allow us a break from things that can seem so important that they end up dominating our lives and distorting our relationships.

But holidays themselves are not free from danger for we may have to re-learn how to be part of a family, or how to be on our own, without the support of work to distract and excuse us from meeting such demands.

Whatever sort of holiday appeals to you - whether sun and sea, mountain and lake, city or countryside - it is usually a different place that brings refreshment, along with a different pace. No longer obliged by routine or engagements, we are free to waste time as we choose, or at least we feel we have such time.

We can recognise the truth of the well-known words of the poet W.H. Davies:

*What is life if, full of care,
We have no time to stand and stare?*

If our holidays are to live up to the origin of their name and become for us holy-days then we would do well to reflect upon God, to seek his strength rather than our own for all that lies ahead of us. Part of any holiday we take should include a consideration of our own spiritual health and vitality. Which can, of course, be done without leaving home...

Gerard Moate
Vicar & Lecturer

P.S. This article was first published in this Magazine ten years ago.

As I prepare to take a sabbatical, to mark the 25 years since my ordination, I had cause to re-read these words and thought them worth repeating. G.G.M.

DEDHAM SUMMER BALL

The Trustees of the *Friends of Dedham Church* would once again like to thank everyone who attended the Dedham Summer Ball on Friday 29 June. Many who attended spoke of it in terms of being 'the best party of the year'. To have such fun *and* to raise £9,400 was a tremendous achievement by all concerned. Sincere thanks are also due to the Le Talbooth team whose professional hospitality was, as ever, excellent.

Maximus corpus, minimus botox...

One never-to-be-repeated innovation was a game of 'Guess the Weight of the Vicar' (with the tie-breaker being guessing his height in inches). The eventual winner received a whole case of champagne and three runners-up received prizes. Our thanks to Gerard, as the 'Emperor Maximus', and to his four noble Roman attendants, for being such good sports.



Date for your next Diary

Next year's Dedham Ball will be held on **Friday 20 June 2008**. In view of the great success of this event in recent years, it is perhaps not surprising that there have already been more expressions of interest in tickets for next year than there will be seats available. For this reason, there will be a change to the way tickets are sold.

Booking a place for next year

An ticket sale 'opening date' will be published in the October edition of this magazine. From that date tickets will be allocated on a 'first-paid, first-served' basis. *Friends'* Chairman Jacquie Freeman will get in touch with anyone who registers an interest in having tickets, so that they are given the ticket sale opening date and payment details in person.

Getting on the 'Waiting List'

If you would like to register your interest in attending, please contact Jacqui on **322 263** or email: info@friendsofdedhamchurch.org.uk

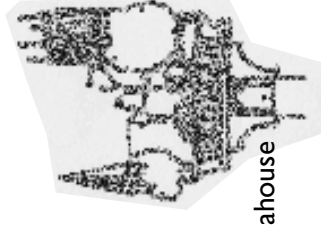
Jeannette East writes

PRIMARY SCHOOL

KS1 had a successful sports day; the rain stayed away. KS2 Speech and Prize evening was very entertaining. The *Playing for Success* initiative with Colchester United has been a huge success for a few Year 5 & 6 pupils. We had a fun activities day with

Mr. Finch and raised over £400 for Oxfam. The art work for the Tending Show was superb. Many thanks to everyone for supporting the *Strawberry Fayre* which proved as popular as ever, despite the rain, and to Debbie Miller for giving up her time to teach us a dance routine. All part of building a successful school.

August Bank Holiday in Dedham



Playing Fields

Tennis coaching & play
Mini-tournaments
Barbecue
Karatethon
Pony rides
Bouncy castle
Balloons
Tombola
Wet sponge throwing
Golf pitching
Beat-the-goalie
Face painting
Refreshments
and more!

Shops open
Art exhibitions
Craft Centre
Pubs, Café and Teahouse
and more!

Parish Church

Servings - light bites, refreshments
Visits - up the Tower to the Muniment Room

Royal Square

Market - craft and other stalls

Assembly Rooms

Antiques Fair

The River

Boats, riverside walks

Duchy Barn

Entertainment

High Street

Monday 28 August

Do come and enjoy Dedham 'doing what it does!'

FUZZLE

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CA
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PE

Part of a series of font word-puzzles or *Fuzzles*.
Which phrase is conveyed by this?

Answer at the bottom of page 16

Kate Ranson writes

SMARTYS

Good OFSTED Report The staff and parents at Smartys Pre-School Nursery are thrilled with their recent OFSTED report. It confirms that our children are receiving an excellent level of care and education, whilst at the same time having lots of fun. Our thanks go to all those who help to run this valued local facility. Well done!

Sponsored Pedal / Push A pleasurable morning was had by all. The children brought along their bicycles and scooters. We raised the fantastic sum of £251.50. The money will be used to purchase new play equipment for the children to enjoy at Smartys. Each child was awarded a certificate and also a teddy bear with which to share their picnic lunch!

Snack Attack Award Our healthy-eating ethos has been recognised by the NHS and we are pleased to have attained this award. Our thanks go to the **Co-operative Society** for their support in the past, and to **Victoria's Plums** who will be providing the children with delicious fruit and vegetables in the future.

Summer Outing In July we travelled to Easton Farm Park and had a very happy day visiting the animals, having pony rides, racing tractors, whizzing around in barrels and exploring the adventure playground! It was a wonderful day out shared with family and friends.

GETTING MARRIED HERE

The Church of England has decided to ease its laws on where couples can get married, making it easier for them to marry in a church where they have a genuine connection. This change acknowledges a social change since the Marriage Act 1949 was passed, which presumed that young people would be living at home until they were married.

At present, unless one of the couple either lives in the parish or 'habitually worships' here, it is necessary to obtain a special licence from the Archbishop. Thus a son or daughter of a family who live in Dedham (or who worship here) has to apply for such a licence if he or she has moved away from the village, however recently.

Under this new law a couple will be able to marry in a church where they can show a 'qualifying connection'. This would include having been baptised here, or if a parent or grandparent had been married here. After the law has Royal Assent, a vicar of a parish will be able to conduct marriages on this basis, without having to insist that the couple apply for a special licence. The Synod (church parliament) resisted calls for couples to be able to marry wherever they wished. The fear was that this would lead to couples choosing the 'prettier churches', placing a burden upon clergy in those parishes.

The Crippled Man

At the gate to the temple a man sat. He was crippled, he couldn't walk. As he couldn't walk, he couldn't work so he had to sit by the gate and beg.

One day he saw the Apostles Peter and John as they came to the temple to pray. He asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him and said:

"Silver and gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth walk."

Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong. He jumped to his feet and began to walk, and went with them into the temple praising God.

Read this story in Acts 3:11-16

Hop, Skip and Jump! running games

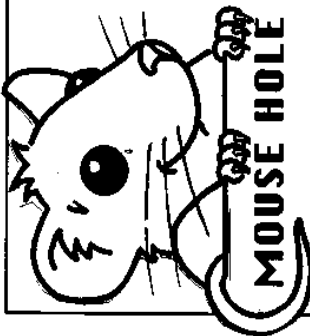
Catch My Tail
Tuck a hanky into the back of your belt leave it hanging like a tail then run around and try to pull out another player's 'tail'. The last one with a 'tail' wins.

Chain Tag

One person is 'it'. Run around until you catch someone, join hands and together try and catch others.

Shadow Tag

One person is 'it'. Catch the other players by jumping on their shadows



Jiggling Jumper

Cut 4 strips of stiff card 2cm wide x 16cm long.

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Punch a small hole in the centre and 1cm in from each end.

Join together with paper fasteners.

Cut a strip 2cm wide and 5cm long.

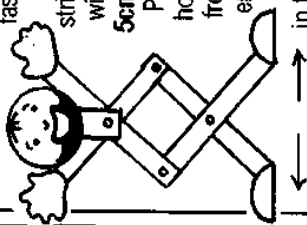
Punch a hole 1cm from one end and fasten in front of the strips

through the top centre holes to make a neck.

Cut a circle 5cm wide, glue unto the neck strip and draw on a face.

Cut, colour and glue on hands and feet.

Push and pull the feet to make him jump and praise God!



WOT? NO VICAR?



With the Vicar taking a sabbatical for three months, from September to early December, it is reasonable to wonder who will be around to deal with the sort of things he usually does. Here are a few examples and his response:

Sunday Services? These will be conducted by a dozen ministers, some of whom are serving in parishes, others are retired and living in the area. I am grateful to them for their willingness to minister here in my absence.

Baptisms (Christenings)? Please enquire at the Parish Office to arrange for preparation, with a view to a date early in the New Year. In emergency, the Office will contact the Rural Dean.

Weddings? Other than those already booked, no others can be arranged here for the rest of 2007. Through the Parish Office you will be able to make an appointment to meet with me early in 2008, but no firm commitment about a service date will be made until that meeting has taken place.

Funerals? Through the Parish Office a minister will be found, a suitable time agreed and other arrangements will be made. During my absence **no funeral service sheets will be prepared by the Office**, so if these are required, arrangements will have to be made with the funeral director.

Primary School? No-one from the church will be available to take the Wednesday assemblies, but a minister has kindly agreed to plan and lead the School Harvest service in church. Chairman of Governors, Christopher Bailey, (☎ 230 404) should be contacted on governing matters.

Assembly Rooms? The Clerk to the Trust, Tracy Woods, will continue to deal with bookings and day-to-day management of the Rooms in the usual way. She will refer other matters to my fellow Trustees.

Other Trusts and Charities? The various Clerks will refer important or urgent matters to my fellow Trustees.

Use of the Church Building? Requests for concerts, exhibitions and the like should be made through the Parish Office, who will refer them to the Standing Committee of the PCC for consideration.

PARISH OFFICE ☎ 322 136
At the Vicarage, 2.30 - 5.00 p.m.

Monday - Thursday. At other times you will probably get the answerphone. You will be able to leave a message for one of the team. Parish Secretary, **Betty Cox**, will be in the Office Mondays and Wednesdays. **Joan Edwards** covers Tuesdays, and **Liz Nickerson** Thursday afternoons. (N.B. Margarita is not a secretary and will not be taking messages.)

Sally Pearce writes

CONSTABLE MEDICAL PRACTISE On-the-day appointments Patients are asked to telephone from 8 a.m. on the day they require an appointment. We aim to deal with all queries on the day. A G.P. appointment may not be the



most appropriate and you may be offered an alternative. There are many types of appointment available to patients and it is the job of the receptionist to try and match the patient with the most suitable one.

Pre-booked appointments are available to any patient, with a GP of his/her choice. However in order to keep the balance between pre-booked non-urgent appointments and on-the-day acute appointments, it may be necessary to wait for 1 - 2 weeks for a mutually convenient date.

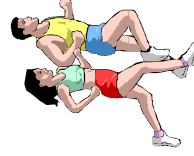
Missed Appointments During June, 19 pre-booked appointments were missed when the patient did not arrive. Please remember the NHS slogan,

Keep it or cancel it!

We welcome constructive comments to improve our service. Please telephone to speak to Sally Pearce on ☎ 01206 298 272 or ☎ 01473 310 203.

Dedham Run 2007

11 a.m. Sunday 23 September 2007
Dedham Playing Field & Duchy Field
10k Race (measured) & 2.2m Fun Run



Medals, Trophies & Cash Prizes!
Entertainments, Refreshments, Changing Facilities, Results Service

Entry forms and more details available from our website: www.dedhamrun.co.uk or contact **Glenys Loeffler** on ☎ 322 358

Entry forms also available from Dedham Post Office
All proceeds to Dedham C.E. Primary School



Event sponsored by St. Joseph's College

Dedham Vale AONB and Stour Valley Project

Dedham Guided Tours

Think you know Dedham?

Combine the chance to learn about this village, with its connections to Constable, with a visit to the Sir Alfred Munnings Museum.



You will hear about the buildings and history from local guides. Tour ends at the Museum, which you can then enjoy at your own pace.

Tours run on Sunday afternoons 2 – 3.30 p.m.

19 August & 16 September
(Groups may also arrange for other dates)

Adults £5, children (aged 5-15) £4 (including admission to Munnings)

Buy your tickets at the *Essex Rose Tea Shop, Dedham* or from *Colchester Visitor Information Centre* ☎ (01206) 282 920

Ticket holders receive 10 % off meals at the *Marlborough Head Inn, Dedham.*

'RIDE & STRIDE'

SATURDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2007 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

This national event was started by the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust. Now over thirty counties take part each year. The best part is that you can choose your own itinerary, visiting the places that you want, because there is no set route. Everyone can join in. Participants are sponsored for the number of places of worship they visit in the day. Some people are very imaginative: one family sailed to the churches on the banks of the River Blackwater; whilst a Brentwood choir quartet sings a motet in every church they visit. You can also be sponsored for stewarding your local church and welcoming 'riders and striders'. For more information on how you can help your Parish Church by taking part, please contact **Antony Watson** ☎ **855 139**



Parish Councillor John Osborn reports

NAP MEETING

On the morning of 16 July 16 a meeting of the Neighbourhood Action Panel (NAP) was held in Dedham Assembly Rooms. Formed a little over a year ago by the Essex Police Authority as part of their 'neighbourhood policing' scheme, the forum is intended to give local people the opportunity to voice their concerns to senior police officers and Colchester Borough Council officials. Some measure of the unease felt by local people at the high incidence of anti-social behaviour experienced in the village centre was that much of the discussion was centred on this one issue.

The Chair, PC Joanne Barlow, told the meeting that the presence on our streets of our new Police Community Support Officer Natalie King should bring about a much needed reduction in the evening activities of those individuals who have blighted the quality of life of residents living close to Royal Square. Individual accounts ranged from that of a choir member who was no longer able to walk home from the church after receiving threats from vandals to that of BMX riders and even motor cyclists racing each other through the village and the common complaint that there exists a culture of abusive language that sometimes permeated even into people's homes.

The meeting was told that the Friday night Youth Club was being held other than in the Duchy Barn during July and August. In this way anti-social behaviour by young people which occurred during this time in the centre of the village could not be blamed on the Club. It was suggested that one possible measure could be that the Co-operative grocery shop be encouraged to close at 8p.m. on Friday nights. Another resident asked that consideration be given to locking the play area every night from about 7 p.m. One person stated that ringing the Copford Police Station resulted in only 3 out of 18 calls being answered. If the complaint was of a non-urgent nature people should e-mail or phone the main police station, the Chair advised.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 12 September at 7.30 p.m. There is not expected to be a meeting in August.



Bert was the only one who felt comfortable with the new Perspex pews.

Ten Years Ago August - September 1997

A new church guide was printed and published [and is still being sold]; heavy rain during preceding days all but caused the abandonment of the Vicarage Garden Fete; it was announced that the church needed to raise £60,000 to replace the nave roof lead; due to demand *Smartys Playgroup* increased their sessions from three mornings to four mornings a week; it was decided at a public meeting to go ahead with the project to restore the 'Hewitt Hall'.

Fifty Years Ago August - September 1957

The Rev'd Christopher Woods took services in Dedham while the Vicar, the Rev'd A.R. Johnston, was on holiday [and his son of the same name will be doing again so while the present Vicar is away this year!]; five coaches left Dedham on the *Sunday School Outing to Walton*; James Northen and Jennifer Anne Lebbell were married; the Rev'd Paul Ashwin, descendent of the Rev'd Hamilton Ashwin, Lecturer of Dedham 1872-1918, preached in church; the Women's Institute meeting which has been due to take place in Mrs. Langton's garden had to be transferred to the Hewitt Hall, owing to the 'uncertain weather'.

A Century Ago August - September 1907

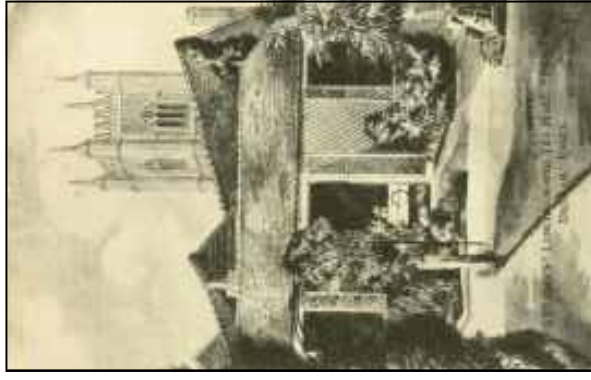
The Dedham Old Quoit Club played only two matches, the 'hay-making season being in full swing, most players of this and other clubs have been too busy for matches'; the Rev'd J.A.C. de Candole, 'who has lately taken up his residence in Dedham', took services during the Vicar's absence; a public meeting was held on *Wednesday September 4th at 8.30 p.m.*, to consider the question of lighting the Street during the winter months, which project was encouraged by the Vicar, who praised the fact that the lamp at one end of the Street was kept lighted by private enterprise, but wondered that this is surely a matter for the whole town'; the dilapidated condition of the churchyard... particularly that which faces the Street, was a matter for concern.

TWO FOR TEA

This is a picture of "Aylings" Luncheon and Tea Hall, at "Beaulieu", Dedham.

Exactly where was this Tea Hall What is "Beaulieu" called today? When did it close?

If the present resident would care to get in touch with the Parish Office, we would like to give you a copy of an historic document to do with "Beaulieu".



This is a picture of "Gammer's Tea Garden" in Dedham.

Where exactly was this? When did it close?

WANTED

Dedham memories, especially photographs, particularly if they have been or can be dated and any people in them can be identified.

If you have Dedham photographs or other memorabilia that would not be wanted by your family, please approach the *Muniment Room Society* before permanently disposing of anything. ☎ **01206 322 136**