



# ST MARY & ST PETER NEWSLETTER



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

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## THE FUTURE OF THE NEWSLETTER

We are very pleased to announce that Mrs Pauline Coverley, who lives in Mill Road, Boxted, has kindly agreed to succeed Ian Hollands as Editor of the Newsletter. The date of the hand-over has not yet been decided but contributors will be informed in good time of where to address their copy.

***A successor to Scott Dolling as Advertising Manager has not yet emerged. This job is equally essential to the operation and an occupant should be in post by the end of October if the Newsletter is to continue after the December/January issue.***

Anyone interested in taking on this vital role is invited to contact Ian Hollands (Editor) and/or Scott Dolling (Advertising Manager). Their contact particulars are on Page 2.

## LANGHAM:

### THE QUEEN'S 90TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

In spite of an unequal balance of sunshine and showers, a very pleasing number of visitors and villagers enjoyed the Queen's 90th Birthday Picnic Party at the Langham Community Centre and Recreation Ground on the afternoon of 9 July. The event featured a bouncy castle, a children's entertainer (Magic Olly), singing and dancing and, of course delicious cakes from the WI. The displays of royal memorabilia and art by the children of the Pre-School and Primary School were much admired. Prizes were won by Thomas Arculus, Callum Perceval and Jasmine Andrews.

The celebration was organised by Jane Morton, Charlotte Parker, Eve Oxley, Michelle Perceval and Linda McAdam on behalf of the Primary School and supported by generous sponsors. The latter included the Parish Council, Bob and Elizabeth Schofield and Ian Sutherland.

## Good Neighbours

Included with this issue of the Newsletter is a card showing the telephone numbers to ring if help from the **Good Neighbours** is wanted. Please keep your card in a handy place.

Since the **Good Neighbours** scheme was started by the Churches in 2009, there have been nearly 700 occasions on which one of its volunteers has been able to help.



**Good Neighbours** jobs mostly involve taking a client by car to and from a medical appointment. If you would like to join one of the teams who provide this much-valued service to the community, do have a word with David Hope (240782) or Ian Hollands (230525).



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by 1 pm on SUNDAY 18 SEPTEMBER**

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## BOXTED HISTORY GROUP

Colchester historian Andrew Phillips returned to the Group in July, when he gave a typically lively talk on the Courtauld family. Huguenots who had fled from France after the 1685 revocation of the Edict of Nantes, the Courtaulds arrived in England from the Netherlands in the early 18th century. Originally wine traders, the family quickly became silversmiths and then silk weavers and merchants, moving to Essex. The business flourished in the 19th century, and the Courtaulds became notable philanthropists. But decline set in and little now remains of their industry but a few fine buildings at Halstead.

## COLCHESTER BOROUGH LOCAL PLAN: LANGHAM

The Borough Council's (CBC's) public consultation at Langham Community Centre on the new draft Local Plan was very well-attended, drawing a wide spectrum of local residents. There was a good deal of acerbic comment and robust debate for the CBC's officers to deal with, largely concerned with the surprisingly large number of new houses proposed and their location on the south side of School Road. The Langham Parish Council subsequently held a 'drop-in' session to gather local feedback to the plans and this, too, was well attended, producing a wealth of comments from fifty households to be passed on to the CBC planners.

The message from both meetings was very clear: that the allocation of 125 properties to Langham is grossly disproportionate to its size, would overwhelm the rickety local infrastructure and would destroy the village fabric with high-density housing. The Parish Council will be responding to the consultation, incorporating the comments it has received and making pertinent observations on the wider plans of the CBC in its choice of two 'Garden Settlements' to the east and west of Colchester town.

The Parish Council hopes that as many residents as possible will respond to CBC individually, and a number have already done so. Details of how to comment are on the Langham website:

**www.langham.org.uk.**

## AN EVENT FOR EVERYONE

David & Liz Winter are organising a Ceilidh/Barn Dance at Langham Community Centre on 15 October. It is to be an evening for people of all kinds and generations to enjoy themselves together, whether to join the dancing or watch others disport themselves.

## CHURCH SERVICES SEPTEMBER

### Sunday 4th September

9.30 am **St Peter's**  
Sung Eucharist (CW)

11.00 am **Boxted Methodist Chapel**  
Morning Service

3.00 pm **Boxted Village Hall**  
Open-air Methodist Band Service

### Sunday 11th September

9.30 am **St Mary's**  
Patronal Festival Eucharist (Sung CW)

11.00 am **Boxted Methodist Chapel**  
Morning Service with Communion

### Sunday 18th September

8.00 am **St Mary's**  
Eucharist (BCP)

9.30 am **St Peter's**  
Family Service

11.00 am **Boxted Methodist Chapel**  
Morning Service

6.00 pm **Boxted Methodist Chapel**  
Harvest Festival Service (with Band)

### Sunday 25th September

9.30 am **St Mary's**  
Sung Eucharist (CW)

11.00 am **Boxted Methodist Chapel**  
Morning Service

6.00 pm **St Peter's**  
Evensong (BCP)

## BOXTED EVERGREEN CLUB

In July, members were fascinated by Eleanor Jenkins' talk on housekeeping in Tudor times. They are looking forward to the trip to Bury St Edmunds Market Day on 7 September. The coach leaves from Boxted St Peter's School at 11 am and is expected back at about 5 pm. The charge for the coach is £16 for non-members. There are still some vacant places: speak to Linda Tralau on 272710 if you would like to join the outing.

The Evergreens welcome to new members. They generally meet fortnightly, on Thursday afternoons. Please speak to Linda Tralau.

## SECRET CINEMA

Teen Film Nights have been discontinued, to be replaced by "Secret Cinema" on the second Saturday of each month in the Committee Room, Langham Community Centre. The first showing will be of "Everest" (12) on 10 September at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome. Entry is free but donations are requested.

## Boxted & Langham Village News

### BOXTED VILLAGE HALL SNOWBALL

July Winners August

£25 Ros Freeland Mr Graves  
£10 L Whitnell O Zammit  
£ 6 Mr Chapman P Graves  
£ 4 Aaron Garrad C Tralau

If you would like to join the Snowball ring Chris Tadman on 273216

### LANGHAM WI

A Bingo session replaced the scheduled talk at the July meeting. (The visit to Hanningfield Smokehouse had previously been rescheduled to September because of June's torrential rain.) Bingo proved both amusing and educational for many who had not played since childhood. Members took turns in calling the numbers and it was surprising how many rhyming names were remembered. Margaret Morley provided prizes of chocolates and flowers.

"I enjoyed that!" was the repeated comment of members, husbands and friends as the 11 September trip to Southwold came to an end. Some of the party had taken the tour of Adnams' Brewery, finishing it with free beer and other liquids, while others had headed to the famous pier. There ensued much pleasant chatter about finding excellent places for lunch, the quality of the shops and the relaxed seaside atmosphere.

Bill Cummings MBE will be speaking of life as a Pensioner of the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, on 8 September; there is also a visit to "Carousel" at the Mercury Theatre in prospect.

### BOXTED AIRFIELD HISTORICAL GROUP

As part of the nation-wide Heritage Open Weekend ([www.heritageopendays.org.uk](http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk)) the BAHG's very interesting Museum off Langham Lane, Langham, is open on 11 September in addition to its normal openings on the last Sundays of September (25th) and October (30th). Admission is free of charge.

### LANGHAM 100 CLUB

June Winners July

£40 Alan Cadman John Jones  
£25 Liz Schofield Rosie Helliwell  
£15 B Arrowsmith David Winter  
£10 Ian Sutherland J & J Smith

If you would like to join the 100 Club, ring Sue Armstrong on 271127.

### LANGHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE

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### TREASURER

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Liz Winter 322301

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### 2nd Langham Scout Group's

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### Good Neighbours

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Langham Shop and the Churches

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## BOXTED PARISH COUNCIL

### *Neighbourhood Development Plan*

If it is approved at a parish referendum, the Boxted Neighbourhood Development Plan will become the statutory planning document for Boxted, guiding development in the village for the next 15 years. The full document may be viewed on:

[www.colchester.gov.uk/article/19186/Neighbourhood-Planning-Referendums---Boxted-and-Myland-and-Braiswick](http://www.colchester.gov.uk/article/19186/Neighbourhood-Planning-Referendums---Boxted-and-Myland-and-Braiswick).

Boxted villagers will be able to vote on the Plan on

**Thursday 15 September**

at Boxted Village Hall. Those not already on the Electoral Roll must have registered to vote not later than 12 midnight on 30 August. An application to vote may be made online at [www.gov.uk/register tovote](http://www.gov.uk/register tovote).

### *Boxted Community Hub*

The Neighbourhood Development Plan identifies the need for a village shop and pub and, under the proprietorship of Donna Hamblion, Boxted Community Hub duly opened on 5 August in the former Sports and Social Club building. The Hub comprises a small shop, a café and a bar. The shop sells newspapers, greetings cards, bread milk and similar day to day essentials; the café offers tea, coffee, cold drinks, cakes and light lunches that include sandwiches, wraps, panini, soups and lasagne. The shop is open daily, 8 am to 5 pm (2.30 pm Mon. - Fri. in school terms), the café 8 am to 5 pm (2 pm Mon. - Fri. in school terms). The bar is open from Thursday to Sunday until 11 pm. There is free Wi-fi.

The Hub is also available to hire for small functions and people are invited to go along, view the facilities and talk to Donna Hamblion, who will be pleased to try to accommodate particular needs.

The Parish Council asks everyone to support this new village facility.

## LANGHAM 10km ETC RUNS

The Friends of Langham School have added a 5km run to the annual 10 and 2km runs, this year on 11 September. The first (5km) run will start at 9.15 am from the Community Centre and the others will follow at 10 am and 10.08 am. There may still be places on the 5km run; to apply go to:

[www.langham10km.org.uk](http://www.langham10km.org.uk)

## VACANCY FOR GOVERNOR

Langham Primary School is looking to recruit a Governor. The role requires attending termly meetings and becoming involved in the working of the school to help it thrive and continually improve. If you are interested and would like to know more, please contact Eve Oxley:

[eveoxley@hotmail.com](mailto:eveoxley@hotmail.com)

Useful guidance on the role of school governing bodies may be found on the websites of Essex County Council and the National Governors' Association.

## SEPTEMBER DIARY

|                                 |           |                    |                                                          |                                       |                            |                      |                                                      |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Boxted Parish Council           | 14th      | 7.00               | Village Hall                                             | Langham Parish Council                | 7th                        | 7.30                 | Community Centre                                     |
| Boxted WI                       | 13th      | 7.30               | Village Hall                                             | Langham WI                            | 8th                        | 7.30                 | Community Centre                                     |
|                                 |           |                    | (Winter gardening: Filpots & seed swap)                  |                                       |                            |                      | (Brian Cumming: Life as a Chelsea Pensioner)         |
| Boxted Evergreen Club           | 7th       | 11.00              | Boxted St Peter's School                                 | 100 Club Draw                         | 30th                       | 10.30                | Community Centre                                     |
|                                 |           |                    | (Visit to Bury St Edmunds Market Day)                    |                                       |                            |                      | (Macmillan Coffee Morning)                           |
|                                 | 8th       | 2.30               | Village Hall                                             | Crafty Ladies                         | 7th                        | 10.00—3.00           | Community Centre                                     |
|                                 |           |                    | (Bring & Buy, plus Plants)                               | Patchwork Pals                        | 21st                       | 10.00—3.00           | Community Centre                                     |
|                                 | 22nd      | 2.30               | Village Hall                                             | Langham Film Nights                   | 24th                       | 7.45                 | Community Centre                                     |
|                                 |           |                    | (James Wills, Essex County Standard: "Let's Talk")       |                                       |                            |                      | ("Florence Foster Jenkins", 12A)                     |
| Boxted History Group            | 21st      | 2.00               | Marks Hall, Coggeshall                                   | Secret Cinema                         | 10th                       | 7.00                 | Community Centre                                     |
|                                 |           |                    | (Tour of Marks Hall Estate)                              |                                       |                            |                      | ("Everest", 12)                                      |
| Boxted Coffee Café              | Tuesday   | 10.30—12           | Village Hall                                             | Langham Singers                       | 24th                       | 11.15                | Community Centre                                     |
| Boxted Carpet Bowls             | Monday    | 2.00 & Friday 7.00 | Village Hall                                             | Boxted Airfield Historical Group      | 20th                       | 7.30                 | Museum, L'm Lane                                     |
| Boxted Lodgers FC               | Wednesday | 7.00               | Playing Field                                            |                                       |                            |                      | (Bill Martin : "Maundy Money")                       |
| Little Owls Pre-School (Boxted) |           |                    | Playing Field                                            | Langham Carpet Bowls                  | Tuesday 2.00 & Friday 7.30 |                      |                                                      |
|                                 |           |                    | Monday to Friday in school term                          |                                       |                            |                      | Community Centre                                     |
|                                 |           |                    | 9.15—12.15 & 12.15—3.15 (9.15—3.15 also available)       | Langham Bridge Club                   | Monday                     | 7.00                 | Community Centre                                     |
| Open Door                       |           |                    | Village Hall                                             | Langham Pre-School                    |                            |                      | Community Centre                                     |
|                                 |           |                    | Friday in school term 8.45—10.15                         |                                       |                            |                      | Monday to Friday in school term 9.15—2.30            |
| Boxted Methodist Silver Band    |           |                    | Methodist Chapel Schoolroom                              | 2nd Langham Scout Group               |                            |                      | Community Centre                                     |
|                                 | Wednesday | 7.30               |                                                          |                                       |                            |                      | Wednesday (times vary)                               |
|                                 |           |                    | Monday in school term 7.30 (Training Band)               | Langham Baby/Toddler Group            |                            |                      | Community Centre                                     |
| Boxted Cricket Club             |           |                    | Playing Field                                            |                                       |                            |                      | Monday in school term 9.45—11.15                     |
|                                 | Thursday  | 6.30—8.30          | Seniors' Net Practice                                    | Langham Tennis Club Coaching Sessions |                            |                      | Recreation Ground                                    |
|                                 | Saturday  | 9.15—10.15         | Juniors' Kwik Cricket (Age 6—10)                         |                                       |                            |                      | Saturday & Sunday Pay & Play: 10.15—11.15 (age 5—10) |
|                                 |           |                    | 10.30—11.30 Juniors' Hardball (Age 10—16)                |                                       |                            |                      | 11.15—12.30 (age 11—17)                              |
|                                 |           |                    | Matches Wednesday evenings, Saturday & Sunday afternoons | Langham St Mary's Bellringers         |                            |                      | St Mary's Church                                     |
|                                 |           |                    |                                                          |                                       | Tuesday 7.30—9.00          | Sunday Services 9.00 |                                                      |

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