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April 2020

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..... you can.

IN ALL THE WAYS YOU CAN.

IN ALL THE PLACES
===== YOU CAN.

At all the times YOU CAN.

To **ALL THE PEOPLE**

AS LONG ===== you can.

● as you ever can.

john wesley

Coronavirus Dedham and Ardeleigh helpline
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If you would like a lift to church contact Ann Shaw ☎ 322 192
or Ruth Higginson ☎ 322 598

Can we help? Sometimes things in life can just get too much to cope with on your own... **Psalm 34:18:** The Lord is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. If you would like some support or know of any one who would, please contact: Ann Shaw ☎ 322 192 or Christine Mingay ☎ 230 723
If you have been bereaved or know of anyone who has, please contact Vee Druit ☎ 322 000 or Ruth Higginson ☎ 322 598

First Steps: Want to get back involved with church but don't know where to start?
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Throughout the magazine local telephone numbers omit ☎ 01206 area code unless otherwise stated.

Dedham and Ardleigh



during the Coronavirus pandemic

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Please leave a message with your name, phone number and what you would like help with and someone will get back to you the same day. *For example you may like help to get shopping, or a prescription, or just to have a friendly chat with someone!*



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NHS



CATCH IT.



BIN IT.



KILL IT.

SERVICES April 2020

ALL PUBLIC SERVICES CURRENTLY SUSPENDED

TV / Radio / Internet resources

On the television

- Songs of Praise, Sundays at 1:15pm on BBC 1

On the radio

- Prayer for the day, daily at 5:43am on BBC Radio 4
- Sunday Worship, Sundays at 8:10am on BBC Radio 4
- Daily Service, Monday – Friday at 9:45am on BBC Radio 4 Longwave and DAB (this service is made available on DAB as a separate channel about a minute before the service begins).
- Lent Talks, Wednesdays at 8:45pm on BBC Radio 4
- Choral Evensong, Wednesdays at 3:30pm (repeated Sundays at 3:00pm) on BBC Radio 3

Internet Resources

- Benefice website: <https://www.dedham-and-ardleigh-parishes.org.uk/Groups/285342/Resources.aspx>
- You will find video recordings of Sunday worship week by week here A daily service from Chelmsford Cathedral <https://www.facebook.com/chelmsfordcathedral/>
- Church of England Daily Prayer: <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-andworship/join-us-daily-prayer>
- Audio daily prayer: <https://pray-as-you-go.org>
- Prayer resources: <https://www.24-7prayer.com>

Assembly Rooms & Duchy Barn

Are both currently closed
due to the Coronavirus,
watch this space for details
of re-opening

For information and to make a booking
for the **Assembly Rooms**
please contact:

Tracy Woods 📞323921 ✉

dedhamassemblyrooms@gmail.com

The Barn can be hired for small
private events, parties etc

Details of hire can be obtained from
Anne Rowledge 📞322394

MEET UP MONDAYS @ THE SUN INN, DEDHAM



DO YOU FEEL LIKE THE WEEKEND HAS DRAGGED?
ARE YOU FED UP WITH YOUR OWN COMPANY?
MAYBE YOU ARE NEW TO THE AREA?
YOU ARE INVITED TO COME ALONG & ENJOY
A FREE CUPPA & SOME FRIENDLY CHAT.
WE'RE HERE FOR TEA, COFFEE AND CAKE AS PART OF
#MEETUPMONDAYS #DONTBEONYOUROWN

10.30AM - 12PM EVERY MONDAY

FROM THE REGISTER:

Burials: Michael de Muscote-Morris. 12th March 2020

FLAG DAYS:



Sunday 5th April Palm Sunday
Friday 10th April Good Friday
Sunday 12th April Easter



Tuesday 21st April
HM The Queens Birthday

My religion is kindness

The Dalai Lama said my religion is simple, my religion is kindness. *It's been humbling to see how we have all pulled together over the past few weeks to care for each other in the coronavirus crisis. By now you may already have used the helpline. Thank you to the team of volunteers behind the scenes making this work. Thank you to our wonderful team at the Coop and to all our local businesses who are helping out.*

Nevertheless, do you feel that the coronavirus has really thrown you? It's not surprising that a common feeling is loosing our sense of certainty. No one knows quite what will happen next. I'm writing these words conscious that the situation may have changed significantly even in the days before this magazine arrives with you.

How do we stay safe and stable when we don't know what's lurking around the corner?

What's the answer? It is not that we have lost our sense of certainty. We have lost our illusion of certainty. We never had it to begin with. This could be majorly unsettling, or amazingly liberating. This tiny virus of 125 nanometres has sent the entire world into chaos. All of our plans are up in the air, markets are going crazy, entire countries shutting down, and we have no clue what the future holds.

But that is always the case. We never know what the future holds. We only

think we do, and keep getting surprised when things don't pan out the way we expected. Now the mask is off. We have to admit our vulnerability.

What will happen next? We don't know. Our experts don't know. Our leaders don't know. Only God knows. And that is the point. Only God knows.

Close your eyes and feel the uncertainty, make peace with it. Because in all the confusion there is one thing you know for sure. You are in God's hands.

Over 2000 years ago a shepherd boy was chosen to be the King of all Israel and his life was punctuated by fear and uncertainty but throughout all he believed that it is possible to live in the unceasing care of a relentlessly attentive and gracious God. I hope you will know that care in our present circumstances.

Keep calm. Panic and fear are also contagious. Take every precaution as advised by health authorities. Wash your hands well. *And every time you do, remember whose hands you are in.*

While our church services are currently suspended Dedham Church is open for prayer from 10-4pm each day and we are recording a service to our website each week.

If I can be of any help do please get in touch

Reverend Antony Wilson

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing.
He makes me lie down in green pastures,
he leads me beside quiet waters,
he refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk
through the darkest valley,
I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

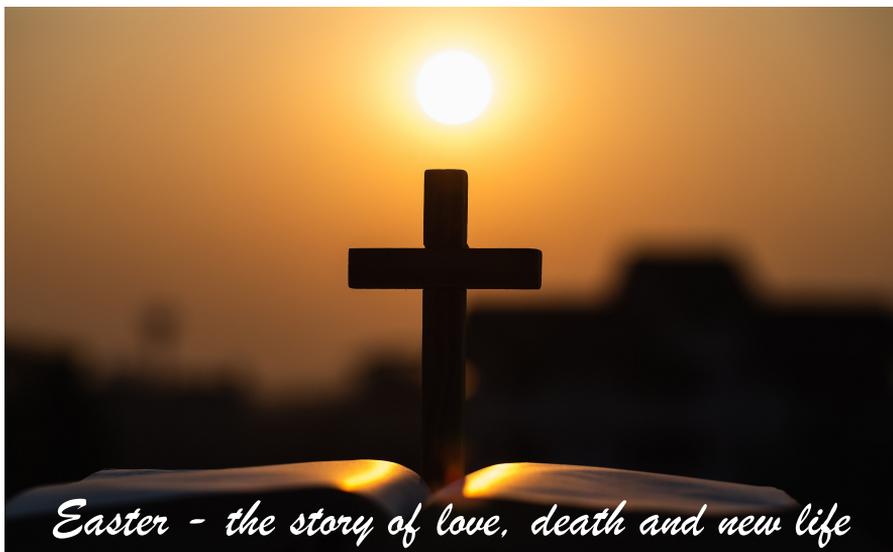
You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies.

You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Surely your goodness and love will follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
forever.

Psalm 23 NIV

**All services currently suspended,
check our facebook site for updates**



Maundy Thursday 9th April , 6pm

Holy Communion and shared meal together at Ardleigh Methodist Church
Bring some bread, cheese and fruit to share

Good Friday 10th April

Good Friday Get-together 10am-12 noon at Ardleigh Methodist Church
crafts, hot cross buns and hands on exploration of the Easter story

'Stations' Dedham Church 12.30pm

The Covenant Players bring the Easter Story to life in this drama production

Good Friday Meditation Dedham Church 2-3pm

an hour of readings, hymns and reflections

Easter Saturday Confirmation

11th April at Chelmsford Cathedral at 7pm - *come and support our candidates
(it will be Bishop Stephen's last service in the Diocese)* more information from Antony

Easter Sunday 12th April

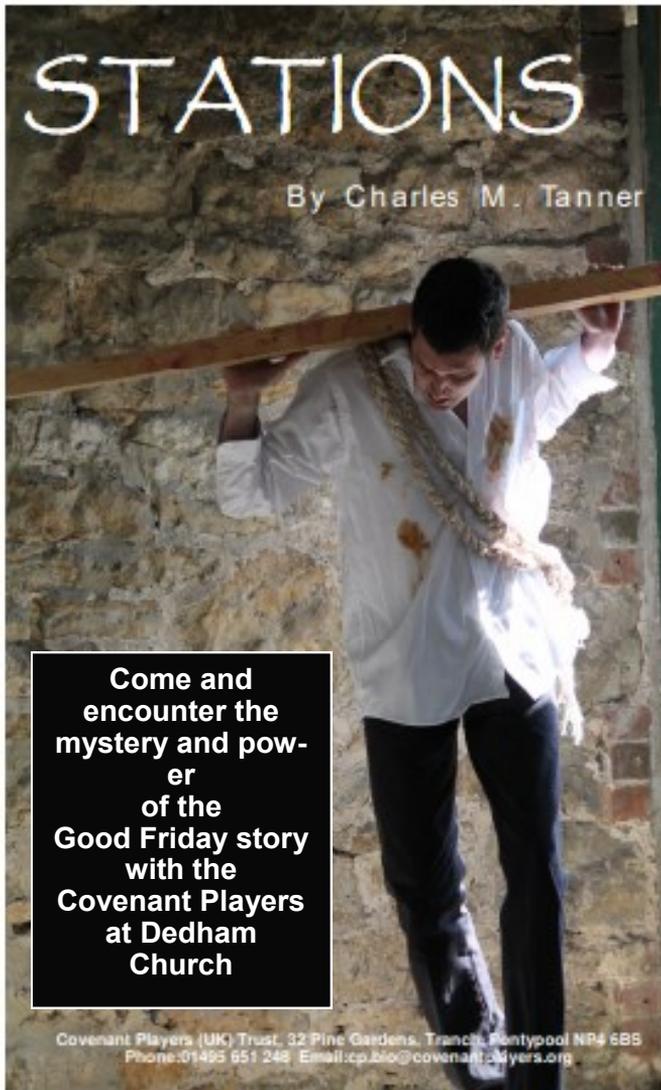
Sunrise Service Dedham Church at 5am

a service that celebrates the Risen Christ as the day dawns

Holy Communion services at Dedham and at Ardleigh
(with Methodist Congregation) both at 11am

**All services currently suspended,
check our facebook site for updates**

Covenant Players
presents



**Come and
encounter the
mystery and power
of the
Good Friday story
with the
Covenant Players
at Dedham
Church**

Covenant Players (UK) Trust, 32 Pine Gardens, Trunch, Pentypool NP4 6BS
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DEDHAM COMMEMORATES



VE DAY

75TH ANNIVERSARY

A SHARED MOMENT OF CELEBRATION

8 - 10 MAY 2020

FRIDAY 8TH MAY

At Dedham Assembly Rooms

3 to 5.30pm Tea for Seniors

Tea & cake

7.30 to 10pm

With special entertainment

POSTPONED

9TH MAY

PARTY

at the front of Dedham Church

12.30pm Tom Stapleton Academy singers

3pm Fox, Wiggle & Sass 1940s trio

4.30pm Punch & Judy show

5.30pm Teddy bear parachute drop

6pm onwards, BBQ

7pm Music from 'In Firm'

SUNDAY 10TH MAY

11am Commemoration service
at Dedham Church

The VE Day organising committee will be following advice about whether the event will go ahead in the light of the Coronavirus and will communicate this via Facebook



VE DAY

75TH ANNIVERSARY

A SHARED MOMENT OF CELEBRATION

Calling all
Teddy Bears...

Come and take

Teddy

camp

of our

Day Celebrations

POSTPONED

Saturday 9th May

5.30pm at Dedham Church

**Entry cost
£5**

**All profits will go to
Support Our Paras**

*No need to book,
just bring your Teddy Bear
with his or her parachute
to the church
by 4.30pm on the day*



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PARAS**

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Dedham Parish Council

Parish Council website: Following the decision by Essex County Council to close down the Essexinfo website service, Dedham Parish Council had to look for another provider for its website. In November, the service provided by OneSuffolk was chosen. This meant that our website had to be rebuilt from scratch, giving us the opportunity of a complete re-design using the features offered by OneSuffolk. The new site ran in parallel from the beginning of January with the switch over being effective from the 1st February.

The dedhamparishcouncil.co.uk website covers much more than the parish council. It has an extensive section on Dedham itself ranging from village life to the history of Dedham. There is a useful web portal of links covering twelve separate areas of interest. We have a calendar of village events, a news page and a page of travel information. The website is optimised for use on mobile devices, most of the links use icons for access. If you have information or events you feel would be useful additions to the website, please contact me, John Goldsbrough at webmaster@dedhamparishcouncil.co.uk

Tea and tablets: We will be scheduling another 'Tea and Tablets' session as soon as we feel it is wise to do so. If you have any queries, please get in touch with Cllr Jane Meakin on 01206 321789. DPC is indebted to the 'experts' who give their time to help

with this. It is rumoured that they quite enjoy it!

Neighbourhood Watch: Colleagues from Neighbourhood Watch offer the following advice about unsolicited phone calls. If you receive a phone call from any one saying they are from, for example, your internet provider, your bank, your phone provider, the Tax Office, Amazon etc etc saying that you have a problem with your account **DO NOT RESPOND IN ANY WAY** but simply put the phone down. If you are concerned, wait a few hours then look up the number and phone your provider to check. Do NOT go on to your iPad or computer as these are common scams which are circulating at the moment trying to obtain details from you.

Sports Club: Dedham Sports Club is seeking to appoint a consultant to undertake a one-off piece of work to help the club to plan its medium term development strategy. Specifically, we need help to analyse and target potential markets to help with income generation to secure the future of the Club.

We would like to hear from anyone who has the necessary skills, expertise and enthusiasm to help us. More information, including a detailed brief, can be obtained from Andrew Bell a.bell@btinternet.com or 07753 838375

Local elections: We were pleased to welcome a number of local residents to an informal get-together recently to find out more about becoming a parish councillor. Local elections were due in

May this year but we have just heard that all local elections are an early casualty of Covid-19. At the time of writing it looks as if the current parish council will remain for an extra year, with elections to be held in May 2021. As soon as we have any more information we will post details on the parish council website.

Covid-19 and local events: The situation with Covid-19 is fast moving and subject to frequent change. It seems inevitable that a number of events, whether high profile national events or lower key local events, will be cancelled or postponed. If you are unsure whether a village activity is going ahead, please check our website in the first instance. Our webmaster will endeavour to post frequent updates. If you are organising something which is subject to change please let

webmaster@dedhamparishcouncil.co.uk (John Goldsbrough) know so that the details can be posted on the website. Some examples of things which might be subject to change are scheduled parish council meetings (see below for current planned dates), and the May bank holiday VE day events. If it is more convenient, or you have any concerns which you think the Parish Council may be able to help with, you can phone the Parish Clerk, Emma Cansdale, on 01255 871483.

Nicola Baker

Future meetings: Parish Council meeting; Monday 30 March 2020, 7.30 in the Duchy Barn. Annual Parish Meeting; Monday 27 April; more details to follow.

clerk@dedhamparishcouncil.co.uk
01255 871483
www.dedhamparishcouncil.co.uk

Stake and support for summer success

April is an exciting time for gardeners. Although there's always the potential for showers and maybe a frost, the month also brings the Easter bank holiday and (weather permitting) plenty of time to be out in the beds and borders. Green shoots have emerged on trees and shrubs and are coming up from the ground. So it's time to get stakes and supports in if the garden is to look its best in the height of summer.

I've discovered the benefits of 6mm mild steel and use metre-high stakes as well as lengths bent into hoops of various sizes. I love how they quickly rust, making them much more discreet than bamboo canes, although I have to be careful not to take my eye out when bending down to weed around them. One of my borders has a looser, cottage garden feel with *Camassia leichtlinii*, herbaceous peonies, shrub roses, asters and delphiniums, hollyhocks, hardy geraniums and oriental poppies all spilling out and over each other. Here I use a series of vertical stakes with string criss-crossing between them at the bottom, middle and top so that plant stems can gradually grow through – hiding strings and stakes - without much further interference from me.

I've also got wires along boundary fences where I'll tie in roses, clematis and – on the front of the house – *Clematis armandii*. I also have rambling rose Paul's Himalayan Musk and a lovely but unnamed, velvety purple *Clematis viticella* scrambling over and around my shed and up into an old greengage tree.

By tying in climbing and rambling roses

horizontally (or close to it) I can encourage more sideshoots along the length of the stem, which will all try to climb vertically and end up giving me more flowers. You could also try pegging them down – something they do well at RHS Sissinghurst – by selecting 4-6 of the strongest stems (remove weaker ones entirely), ideally 8-10 feet long. Bend them over and tie them in at the base to a stake in the middle of the plant.



As ever, if you're not supporting plants, there's probably something you can prune. My *Penstemon* 'Raven' should be 'breaking' right about now, so look for new shoots coming up at the base of the plant and cut just above them. You can also prune lacecap and mophead *Hydrangea* now having left the old flowers on over winter for interest and to protect the stems and new buds for the coming season. Remove the old flowerheads by cutting just above a pair of fat, healthy buds – be careful not to knock any off accidentally. Other deciduous, early-flowering shrubs can be pruned too once flowering is finished. It's the usual removal of the

dead, damaged or diseased stems, taking off the more spindly growth to create an open framework to let air and light in. Here in the garden, I can take my secateurs to flowering currant *Ribes sanguineum* and a *Weigela* 'Bristol Ruby', cutting back to a strong young shoot lower down the stems.

I have a couple of peach trees – one fan trained – and a patio apricot and, if the weather is too wet for bees to be flying, it can't do any harm to nip out with a small fine-bristled paint brush and run it from blossom to blossom to hand pollinate them. In theory this will ensure a better crop, which will be nice as I've only managed to rescue one peach so far from ravaging wasps.

As things really get going in the garden, don't forget to keep an eye on your favourite weather app in case a late frost affects all your work.

Elliott Frisby,

Dedham Horticultural Society

Sadly, due to coronavirus precautions, we have had to cancel our April speaker evening and the Spring Show (4 April). We hope we will be back to normal in May but keep an eye on our website

www.dedhamgardening.wordpress.com for latest details of all our events. Stay well.



Constable Country Medical Practice

Coronavirus Update:

The Coronavirus situation is changing daily. Please ensure you keep up to date with the situation nationally and locally and follow the latest advice from Public Health England at

www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public.

Our top priority at the practice is to remain open. In order to do this, we are screening patients to ensure that no patient who has been to an affected area and has Coronavirus symptoms, comes to the practice.

Even a suspected case will result in the practice closing temporarily and having to deep clean the building before it can be reopened. If the patient subsequently tests positive, all people who were in proximity to the patient (e.g. other patients in the waiting room or staff who spoke to the patient) will need to be traced, isolated and tested.

It may seem that we are being over-cautious, but I hope patients can see that the impact of a patient attending the practice with suspected Coronavirus is not only disruptive, but will also prevent the practice from providing urgent health care to patients if we need to close.

Please therefore be ultra-cautious. Follow advice from Public Health England and if you believe you may be at risk of contracting Coronavirus, stay at home and contact 111 for advice. Don't

come to the surgery.

During this period we continue to offer as normal a service as possible. Our telephone call back service means that many medical issues can be dealt with over the phone. Please also use our eConsult service for any non-urgent issues. You can send an eConsult request any time of the day and we will respond within 48 hours.

Thank you for your cooperation. Please see our website for latest advice and details of our eConsult service.

Training Days: Please note that the practice will be closed from 1pm on the following dates for staff training:

Thursday 2nd April 2020, Wednesday 4th May 2020, Wednesday 10th June 2020

On these afternoons the Capel St Mary building will be open to enable access to the pharmacy but the Practice reception will be closed. East Bergholt reception will be open. Please note that there will be no clinicians at either building after 1pm as they will be attending training off-site. Our phone lines will be closed for the afternoon. If you need medical assistance please contact 111. If your need is urgent then please dial 999 or attend your local A&E.

Pete Keeble
Practice Manager

STOUR VALLEY U3A 30th ANNIVERSARY

A speaker meeting took place on Wednesday 11th March when Master Beekeeper, Jeremy Quinlan, talked about the contest between bees and flowers to gain benefit from the relationship.

Events and diary dates: Monster Walk on 3rd June as part of U3A National Volunteer Day. 30th birthday party on 5th August - Constable Hall East Bergholt.

Interest Groups: Our 3 mile and 5 mile walking groups set off each month to keep fit using local footpaths. A 10 mile walking group is coming soon. Members of our European travel group are going to Dubrovnik, Puglia and India during the next twelve months. The very popular garden visits group has organised coach outings to many parts of the eastern region over the summer months. There are 40 learning and activity groups for members to join.

Coffee Grinders meets on the last Friday of each month from 10 - 12snoon at the Lambe School Gaston Street East Bergholt and especially welcomes new members but gives all members the opportunity of meeting activity group leaders and committee members whilst enjoying a cup of coffee. Please see our website for update www.stourvalleyu3a.org.uk

Membership: Our main purpose is to encourage lifelong learning for those who are no longer in full time employment and emphasis is always placed on making learning active and fun as well as helping in developing friendships. Our members are drawn from communities in the lower Stour Valley and adjacent areas including Brantham, Capel St Mary, Dedham, East Bergholt, Holbrook, Lawford, Manningtree, Raydon, & Stratford St Mary. We have 400 members with room for more! Only £12 per annum. For further information please visit www.stourvalleyu3a.org.uk where our membership secretary Val Pretty may be

contacted. *Remember it's never too late to learn! Join over 400,000 members across over 1,000 U3As throughout the UK today!*

Learn Laugh Live

Stour Valley Men's Probus Club

Recent Meetings: On Wednesday 4 March Maureen Clarke talked to us about "The plight of street orphans in India" and we held our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 18 March.

Future Meetings: Francis Sparrow will speak about "The Black Death" on 1st April and on 15th April Mike Rines will tell us why "The English Language Is Under Attack".

At our first meeting in May on 6th David Lilley will introduce "The Mitford Sisters" and Chris Parfitt will take us on "A Circuit Of Central India" on Wednesday 20th May. Norman Jacobs will tell us of "Clown Bertram - Clacton's Greatest Ever Entertainer" on Wednesday 3 June and two weeks later on 17 June Sheila Harrison will introduce us to the "Diary Of A Norfolk Parson".

Meeting Venue: We meet at the convenient St John Ambulance HQ, Manningtree CO11 1EB

New members are welcomed: Our Club endeavours to be simple in structure, be free of the constraints and obligations of service clubs, and involve members to a minimal cost. New Members are always very welcome at all meetings of the Stour Valley Men's Probus Club, just join us at 10am on a meeting date. The club is directed primarily to providing fellowship between members who are compatible with each other, and provide the opportunity for development of acquaintances. We meet on the first and third Wednesday of each month in Manningtree at 10 for 10.30am. Please contact President Dave Carman on 01255 880202 for further details.

LILIES FOR REMEMBRANCE AT EASTER



The flower group will again be arranging lilies in church for Easter Sunday. If you would like to buy a lily in memory of a loved one to be included, please put your money in a plain envelope marked 'Easter Lilies' with your name and contact number and place it in the church money box by the entrance, or deliver it to the Parish office mailbox near the entrance to the Assembly rooms. The cost is £3 per stem, and the deadline for ordering is THURSDAY 9th APRIL.

Many thanks, Helen Sims (321286)



Monday Lunch Club **ALL WELCOME**

Join us for lunch at
The Essex Rose
every first Monday of the
month from 12.30
15% discount if you book
tel: 323101 quoting Monday
Lunch Club

IMPORTANT CORRECTION

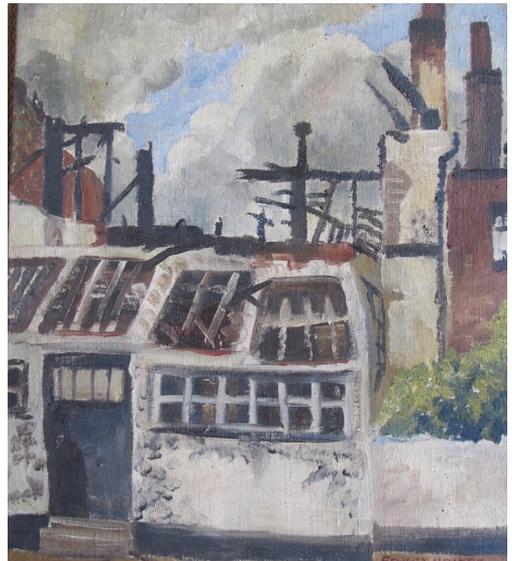
The caption for the illustration on page 18 of the March magazine showing Cedric Morris’s painting of the burnt-out Art School in Mill Lane after the fire in 1939 should have stated that the photograph was reproduced by kind permission of the Cedric Morris Estate which holds the copyright. The picture is in the collections of the Colchester and Ipswich Museums at Christchurch Mansion.

Postscript to last month’s Feature on the Dedham School of Drawing and Painting

Graham Manning who saw the photograph of Cedric Morris’s painting in last month’s Parish Magazine has shown me another view of the identical scene painted at the same time by one of his students, Felicity Hellaby.

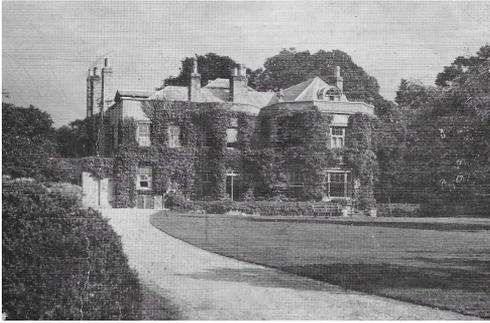
Felicity’s parents were both artists. Her father Richard Sydney Hellaby (1887-1971) was the son of the founder of the great New Zealand meat processors, R. & W. Hellaby’s. He came to England to train at the Lambeth School of Art and later in Paris at the Académie Julian and the École des Beaux Arts. Her mother Ruth (née Hollingsworth, 1880-1945) who had attended the Slade School of Art in London was known for her landscapes, figure and flower paintings. During the 1930s she was a regular exhibitor with the Ipswich Art Club. Both she and her husband were actively concerned with the protection of the local countryside. Richard was a founder member of the committee of the Dedham Vale Society set up in 1939 and became its Hon. Secretary in 1947. In 1932 he was exhibiting from Woodlands, Holbrook but by 1937 and perhaps earlier he and his wife were living in Dedham at Lower Park, a grey

gault brick house built before 1777 and enlarged during the 19th century; so by the time Cedric Morris’s School opened in the village Felicity was conveniently placed to attend. Not long after his wife’s death in 1945 Richard Hellaby remarried and went to live in Devon before moving to Cape Town where he died in 1971.



Student Felicity Hellaby’s painting of the burnt-out Dedham Art School the morning after the fire on 26 July 1939

While they were both pupils at the art school in Dedham Felicity met Lucian Freud. He was seventeen and she, a year younger, became his first girlfriend. In 1941 he painted a portrait of her



Lower Park, Dedham in 1957

entitled *“The Girl on the Quay”* and his correspondence survives in the form of a series of faux-childish illustrated letters and postcards he wrote to *“Darling Felicity”*, mainly in 1943. Looking back on their friendship, Felicity said that she realised she had been lucky not to be too involved. *“It was great fun to be with him”*, she said *“but my husband shared my life and Lucian wouldn’t have.”*

In 1950 Felicity married Eversley Belfield (1916-1986), a military historian, lecturer and author who had spent part of his childhood in Dedham, where his mother built Birketts Wood in Bargate Lane. Felicity’s sister-in-law Penelope (Pearl) Gatehouse (née Belfield) will be familiar to visitors to Castle House as the girl holding the parasol in Sir Alfred Munnings’s 1939 series of paintings of *“The White Canoe”*. In her Memoirs Pearl records meeting Felicity at this time and describes Lower Park as *“the nicest house in Dedham”*. Since the models he used were all local people known to Munnings, it is possible that Felicity, whose parents like Pearl’s were part of his circle in the village, may have been the other girl in the canoe.

Lucy Archer



September Afternoon, 1939, by Sir Alfred Munnings
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Coronavirus cancellations: Many if not all events have been cancelled, at least until the end of April. A few have been postponed with new dates planned. I have marked definite cancellations that I know about at the time of going to press, but it is likely that the others will also follow government guidelines. Some organisations are making refunds automatically. Cancellations are generally until the end of April, but some venues are closed until further notice. An easy way to check for the latest information is via the [Email Guide](#) on my website, www.eamaa.org. That list includes direct links to most organisations and venues

THEATRE

Thu 19 to 28 Mar

Cancelled: Borders, by Henry Naylor, Mercury Theatre Colchester at The Old Library, West Stockwell Street COI IHF.

Wednesday 25 Mar to 4 Apr

Cancelled: Oliver Twist, adaptation from Charles Dickens, New Wolsey Theatre

Monday 30 Mar to 4 Apr

Postponed: Shakespeare: Macbeth, Gallery Players, at Sir John Mills Theatre, Ipswich.

Wed 1 to 4 Apr

Cancelled: The Diary of Anne Frank, dramatised, Headgate Theatre Colchester.

Saturday 4 Apr

Cancelled: Waiting For Bacon, about the artist, Francis Bacon, by Danae Brook, The Minorities Galleries, Colchester.

Tuesday 7 Apr

Cancelled: Strictly Sherlock (based on Arthur Conan Doyle's stories), Headgate Theatre Colchester.

Saturday 11 Apr

Cancelled: Voices In Her Head, Trish Dunn, the American comic/ventriloquist, Headgate Theatre Colchester.

Mon 13 to 18 Apr

Cancelled: Agatha Christie: A Murder is Announced, Middle Ground Theatre Co at The Wolsey, Ipswich.

Mon 20 to 25 Apr

Cancelled: Red Skies, a fictional meeting between Arthur Ransome and George Orwell, Eastern Angles Theatre Company at Sir John Mills Theatre, Ipswich.

Tuesday 21 to 25 Apr

Private Peaceful, by Michael Morpurgo,, New Wolsey Theatre Ips, various times

Wednesday 29 Apr

Jumpy, by April de Angelis, Headgate Theatre Colchester, 7.45pm; *to 2 May*

Cancelled: Shakespeare: King John, Royal Shakespeare Company - LL, Firstsite.

Thursday 30 Apr

Cancelled: Oedipus Electronica, Created and performed by Pecho Mama and Essex University students,, Lakeside Theatre

MUSIC

Cancelled: Bernstein: Chichester Psalms; Duruflé: Requiem,, Hadleigh Choral Society, Hadleigh Church.

Cancelled: Handel: Messiah,, Stour Choral Society, Mistley Church.

Sunday 29 Mar

Hexachordia, early music trio,, St Andrew's Church, Rushmere, Ipswich, 3pm.

Cancelled: Kammerphilharmonie Europe, Stour Valley Arts and Music, East Bergholt Church, 4pm.

A sentimental Journey,, West Bergholt Concert Band, West Cliff Theatre, Clacton, 3pm.

Saturday 4 Apr

Cancelled: Handel: Messiah (Parts 2 and 3),, Clacton Choral Society, St Paul's Church, Clacton .

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Dedham Players *Wed 22 to 25 Apr*
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Cancelled: Brahms: Ein Deutsches Requiem, Haverhill Singers, Haverhill Methodist Church, 7.30pm.

Cancelled: Stainer: Crucifixion - a workshop and performance,, Ipswich Choral Society, St Mary's Church Harkstead, 4pm.

Cancelled: J.S. Bach, Purcell, Lotti, Bruckner & Tavener,, Kirby Voices at St.Peter's Church, Hepworth, IP22 2PU, 2pm.

Cancelled: Bach: St John Passion,, Phoenix Singers, Framlingham Church, 7pm.

Postponed: Haydn: Creation, Witham Choral Society, Witham Public Hall, 7pm.

Paul Trepte, organ, St Andrew's Church, Rushmere, Ipswich, 3pm.

Friday 10 Apr

Handel: Messiah, Lion Walk Church - Lion Walk Festival Singers & Orchestra 7.30pm.

Sunday 12 Apr

Cancelled: Bach: St Matthew Passion,,,, Britten Sinfonia at Snape Maltings .

Wednesday 15 Apr

Wendy Kirkland Quartet, Headgate Theatre Colchester, 7.30pm.

Sunday 19 Apr

Piano Trios, Kingfisher Ensemble, Lion Walk Church, Colchester, 2.45pm.

Cancelled: Vincent Lindsey-clark, virtuoso guitar, The Minories, Colchester.

Friday 24 Apr

Cancelled: Commemoration of the second world war, includes Rutter, Bernstein and wartime songs - Lexden Choral Society - with Eastern Swing at St Botolph's, Colchester.

Postponed: Traditional songs from the British Isles, with piano, harp and flute,, Nayland Choir, Nayland Village Hall, music workshop .

Friday 24 Apr

The Passionate Quartet,, Roman River Music, URC Church, Hadleigh, 6pm.

Cancelled: Brahms, Trianon, Ipswich Corn Exchange, 7.30pm.

Sunday 26 Apr

Greensleeves and Yellow Lace, Singing with lutes, viols, recorders and bagpipes, Hexachordia Trio at St Mary's Church, Harkstead, IP9 1DD, 3pm, ☎01473 327140, sally.wilden@gmail.com.

Cancelled: Charity Opera Soirée in aid of Wilson's Disease, Pimlott Foundation, Old House, Great Horkesley. All Pimlott events cancelled until the summer

Saturday 2 May

Bach: Mass in B Minor, University of Essex Choir with London Handel Orchestra at Snape Maltings, 7.30pm.

OPERA/MUSICAL

Friday 3 Apr

Cancelled: The Wizard of Oz, pantomime version,, Enchanted Entertainment, at The Regent, Ipswich

Saturday 11 Apr

Cancelled: Puccini: Tosca, Metropolitan Opera New York - LL, Firstsite.

Tuesday 21 Apr

Cancelled: Cavalleria Rusticana/Pagliacci,, Royal Opera House - LL, Firstsite and Odeon and Firstsite

ART

Tuesday 7 Apr

Cancelled: Easter in Art: Exhibition on Screen, Firstsite Colchester, 7.30pm

BALLET/DANCE

Wednesday 1 Apr

Cancelled: Swan Lake,, Royal Ballet - LL, Odeon Colchester and Firstsite.

Tuesday 28 Apr to 2 May

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at Cambridge Arts Theatre 7.30 pm

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