



Marcham WI

July 2009

At our July meeting this month will be a local gentleman, David Barratt, will talk about the Christ's Hospital Charity and the Abingdon Alms Houses. This will be followed on the 30th July by a guided visit to the Alms Houses in the afternoon.

At our June meeting we learnt about the formation of the National Garden Scheme and the huge amount raised annually by this charity towards nursing care in this country.

Oxfordshire WIs are continuing to celebrate their ninetieth birthday at Millets' Farm on July 2nd. with a barbecue and a "Posh scarecrow competition" We hope our entry of Winston Churchill will do well.

We do not have a meeting in August but have a busy programme of activities for the summer, including a visit to Portsmouth on Tuesday, 11th. August. If you would be interested in joining us for a visit to the Naval Dockyard or just a day shopping, further details can be obtained from the contact numbers below.

Future Events

July 2nd	Barbecue Supper at Millet's Farm with posh scarecrows.
July 21st.	Pudding Club buffet lunch
July 25th	Summer walk
July 30th	Visit to Abingdon Alms Houses
August 11th	Coach trip to Portsmouth
August 20th	Calendar Girls stage show, London

NEXT MEETING

7.30pm Thursday 16 July

Abingdon Alms Houses
David Barrett

Local Picture Quiz

Denman College: Teaching Block

Visitors welcome - £3 voluntary contribution

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SUNSHINE CLUB

Our last outing in May to Bourton-on-the-Water was enjoyed by everyone - the weather was kind to us we are now organising a trip to Bournemouth on July 9th. We will have some spare seats on the coach if anyone would like to join us for a charge to help with coach. Please phone 01865 391536 for details.

MAUREEN (MO) TIDBURY, Chairlady

MARCHAM EX-SERVICEMEN'S CLUB

OAP Mystery tour

Saturday 15th August 2009

Coach leaving at 2pm

Forms will be available at the Club from Middle of July and need to be returned by 1st August.

JUNE CROSSWORD ANSWERS BY ALISA

ACROSS: 1 Hanney, 4 Tundra, 7 Widow, 9 Tempest, 11 Comprised, 13 Bowling Club, 16 Red mujilet, 17 Begonia, 20 Yeast, 23 Employ, 24 Radley **DOWN:** 2 Nod, 3 Ye, 4 The, 5 Nip, 6 Artist, 7 West, 8 Wimbledon, 9 Tarantula, 10 Muscially, 11 Choir, 12 Doubt, 14 Nimble, 15 Coot, 18 Owl, 19 Icy, 21 All, 22 JR

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SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB

Out last meeting was rather low in numbers, quite a few members being a little under the weather, trust they are all feeling better now, we wish them well. The table top was busy as usual and a quiz was organised by John. It proved rather tough and got our old grey matter working overtime. Needless to say, no-one had top marks but I'm sure we will all do better next time.

Our day out was great, we had a lovely lunch, and the visit to the garden centre had most of us buying plants for the home and garden. Trust they are all blooming well and giving a lot of pleasure.

JOYCE PARRY

MARCHAM SOCIETY MIDWEEK WALK

Thursday, July 2nd.

The July walk will be fairly close to home, exploring the country between East Hagbourne and Blewbury. We meet at The Fleur de Lys Inn (Map Ref SU526883) in East Hagbourne (just south of Didcot) at 12.30pm for lunch, starting our walk, of 4 miles and with no hills, at 1.30.

Thursday August 6th.

The August walk will be another level summer walk along the Thames, starting from the famous riverside pub, The Perch at Binsey (SP493077) and walking to Wolvercote and Port Meadow. Timings as for July.

New walkers are very welcome. Members free, non-members £1. Ring Eric Dunford on 391439 for lifts and details.

Community Day 31 August 2009 11am - 6pm

Fallowfields is an active member of the Bucks, Berks and Oxfordshire Food group promoting and supporting local producers. As a start to the 2009 Food Festival Fallowfields is organising a Community Day on 31st August Bank holiday Monday 2009 in the grounds of Fallowfields and running it along the same lines as a Food Fayre/Farmers' Market with stalls and tasters. The purpose of the event is to promote local food and encourage public engagement on this issue. On the day Fallowfields staff will be available to give visitors a guided tour of our kitchen garden, orchards and animals in their free range habitat [ducks and ducklings, cows and a calf, pigs and piglets and chickens] and our falconer will be giving displays also a local group of Morris dancers will entertain on the lawn during the afternoon. An archery and 'a plate competition' will be judged by a local celebrity, the bar will be open and there will be a hog roast with one of our own rare breed pigs at lunch time £6.50 for a homemade bap and salad [children portion 1/2 price] and then afternoon teas [£5.50] are served on the on the lawn. The entrance is £1 for an adult and 50p per child.

Exhibitors List.... so far!

- www.sagojago.com Fair trade jewellery and accessories
- www.wellpreserved.co.uk Jams chutneys marmalades curds using local organic produce
- www.bearpatch.co.uk Handcrafted products, a range of patchwork fabric, yarn craft packs and other craft materials
- Rozs Delights. Cakes breads lardy cakes etc, a selection of dried herbs and spices, meat and fruit pies
- Sue Williams. Wooden ornaments, coat rack hangings and things for children all in painted wood
- www.challowhillmeats.co.uk Dexter beef products
- www.justsussex.com Just Sussex chickens
- Doug Ovendean. Garden sculptures crafted from wood

I have contacted local clubs, societies and schools and looking forward to them being involved, if I have not already contact you please email me, and are there any artists or craft producers who would like to have a stall on the day then I would love to hear from you? peta@fallowfields.com.