



Marcham WI May 2009

At our meeting this month we will be discussing and voting on the resolution about the concerns in the decline of the UK honey bee population. This is a very widespread problem and will also be one of the topics for the AGM at the Albert Hall in June. As well as the resolution, there will be a bring and share buffet supper with wine and a Spring plant stall.

A most enjoyable Spring lunch was well attended at The Merry Miller, Cothill, and members and husbands had a delicious three course meal with excellent food and attentive service.(picture)

Members and a delegate attended the Oxfordshire Annual Meeting at the end of March and were entertained by some excellent speakers. Dr. Sarah Thomas (an American Lady) told us how she became the first female Bodley's Librarian in its 400 year history. In addition to all the official business we then listened to Sheila Dibnah tell of "Life with Steeplejack Fred" and her amusing tales of her late husband.

Our April meeting was a great success with Claire Bolton stepping in at the last minute to tell us about "Life in Western Australia" with beautiful slides of the area which has become her part-time home on the other side of the world.

Future Events

- May 14/21 Tresham Trail
- May 16 Symphony ballroom concert in Birmingham
- June 3 AGM in the Albert Hall
- June 16 Private opening of Hatfield House

NEXT MEETING

7.30pm Thursday 21 May

Resolution Discussion

Bring and Share Supper and Plant Stall

Denman College: Teaching Block

Visitors welcome - £3 voluntary contribution

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MARCHAM SOCIETY MIDWEEK WALK

Thursday 7th May.

This month we plan another Ridgeway walk, this time to see the spring flowers. We will eat at The Greyhound Inn (Map Ref SU381863) in Letcombe Regis at 12.30pm for lunch and will start our walk of just under 4 miles at 1.30, climbing up to Segsbury Castle and returning though Letcombe Bassett.

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

MSSSC: Marcham Sports, Scouts & Social Club The pavilion & field off Morland Road

Following the fantastic success of the Summer Dance last year we are organising a similar event for this year on **Saturday 5th September**. Fully under cover with a live band, disco, BBQ etc. it will be the village event of the year. Put the date in your diary and tell your friends.

Having postponed recent club quiz nights we are arranging a restart with a Grand Charity Quiz on 5th June (another important date for your diary). More details next month but this event is in memory of our quiz maestro and ex Chairman Steve Shellard. All proceeds to a good cause.

Following the success of our real ale nights, every Friday night from now on will be a Real Ale Night, every week at least one guest real ale will be available.

Don't forget the club is also open every Saturday after football or cricket. Support your local teams.

We look forward to seeing you at the club

For more info contact Geoff Dix, secretary on 391577 or geoff.dix@hotmail.com

APRIL CROSSWORD ANSWERS BY ALISA

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SUNSHINE CLUB

Here we are again back almost in full swing after hips and knees are on the mend. We welcome any new members to our Monday meetings for Bingo, tea and biscuits. To help our funds to outings.

We have an outing on May 14th and there will be a few seats if anyone is interested. Phone 01865 391535.

MAUREEN (MO) TIDBURY, Chairlady

SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB

At our last meeting we welcomed 2 new members, I hope they enjoy their time with us. A busy table-top was run by Edna, Bet and Muriel, this being a way of money-making for the Club, enabling us to go on outings and have guest speakers and entertainers. A memory game was organized by Dolly and tea and biscuits followed. The meeting ended with a large raffle called by Edna and John. **JOYCE PARRY**

Apologies for mixing up Senior Citizens with Sunshine last month... ED

Graduate student available

this summer from June for any or all odd jobs, gardening, babysitting, pets; £7 per hour. References available. Please contact Graeme Innes on 390368.



The
Marcham
Society

Note change of day to Thursday!

Michael Pirie will be talking about the
**Gardens of the
Radcliffe Camera, Oxford**

All Saints' Church

Thursday 7th May 2009, 7.45pm

Non-members £2

www.marchamsociety.org.uk

Further details: Sheila Dunford (391439) or Judith Fontaine (391275)