



Marcham WI November 2007

This month our speaker will be JAYNE KING from Cumnor, a well-known local flower arranger. She will demonstrate autumnal and Christmas flowers and give us some new ideas for this time of the year. Her talk is called "SEASONAL FLOWERS".

During October members of Marcham WI have continued to meet for the Tuesday morning walk, organised by Jean and also pub lunches organised by Sylvia.

More details at meetings if you would like to join them. In September we were delighted to have 22 visitors to our Open Meeting, including Cara a seven week old baby girl who came with her mum Jen and friend Sara she is our youngest ever visitor and potential member.

Our speaker in October, Eric Dunford assisted by his wife Sheila, also attracted good attendance (22 visitors again) and we had six new members joining Marcham WI. Eric's presentation showed a wide variety of native birds who visit our gardens, with hints on feeding, housing and garden planting to attract them.

COMING EVENTS

- 1st Nov Theatre trip – Billy Elliot Musical, London
- 9th Nov Drayton WI Quiz Evening
- 13th Nov Terracotta Army, British Museum, London
- 21st Nov German Christmas Market, Southampton
- 3rd Dec Christmas Songs Town Hall, Oxford.

NEXT MEETING

7.30pm Thursday 15 November
Denman College Teaching Block
Seasonal Flowers

Jayne King

Visitors Welcome – £2 voluntary donation

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SUNSHINE CLUB

We were all very sad to hear of Cyril Norton's passing – our hearts go out to the family and a card of condolence was sent on behalf of the Club. He will be so missed, he was such a lovely man – always ready to help others. The Club also benefited from his kindness during summer months from his allotment, with lots of veg all fresh-picked – these were sold at a small amount and so helped the Club funds. Members rushed to buy before they all went! Kath will be coming to the Monday meetings to join in the Bingo – our thought will be with her at this sad loss.

JOY CROOK

MARCHAM SOCIETY MIDWEEK WALK

Thursday November 8th. This month's walk will start at The White Horse Inn, Woolstone (Map Ref: SU 293877). This village is one of the pretty "spring-line villages" at the foot of the Downs and the walk is a little more strenuous than usual, involving a climb up to the Ridgeway and descent via Dragon's Hill. We will meet at 12.30pm for lunch or 1.30 for the walk of about 4½ miles.

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

OAP MYSTERY TOUR – 18TH AUGUST 2007

The Ex-Servicemen's club took 39 OAPs from the village and Club out for the afternoon. The Mystery tour took us around the countryside to Marlborough. The weather wasn't on our side and it was raining when we arrived, but most people managed to find some shops or a nice tea room to hide. We headed back to the Club a bit earlier than planned and everyone enjoyed a Ploughmans supper and a few drinks. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make it a enjoyable afternoon. Next will be the **OAP Christmas presents**, the forms will be available mid November for deliveries to be middle of December. Forms will be available from the Club, Post Office and Wednesday Lunches.

AGE CONCERN VOLUNTER – NAN DRAPER

I am a volunteer for Age Concern and am the Parish Link person in the Village for them. I have been asked by our new Development officer to make myself known to you – see the poster in the box by the village hall which gives my details. There are many more services besides Phoneline (see Oct MADNews) I am able to put people in touch with. On a Tuesday from 2-30pm till 3-30pm a session of Tai-Chi is held in the Conduit Centre Trinity Church Abingdon. The session is for people over 50. You may attend the first session free then it is £3 per session. Call me for more details: 391257.

NAN DRAPER

MARCHAM CRICKET CLUB

Although the playing season is over, the Club is far from inactive. The Club's programme of field maintenance operates throughout the year, In this connection half-a-dozen members met one morning recently to carry out the important tasks of applying loam and grass seed to the square.



Other Club activities planned are the Presentation Evening and the AGM. Additionally, members of the 1st XI are set to receive awards (as Division 2 Winners) a the forthcoming Oxford Cricket Association Presentation Dinner.

Despite the fact that shorter winter days are not necessarily conducive to considering cricket matters, it is important to give thoughts to the subject of playing Members for the 2008 season. If you are interested in playing for the Club, or require any other information regarding its activities, please contact Graham Hill (391415) or Terry Whittaker (391317). Marcham CC could be the Club for you if playing Division 1 cricket in 2008 is your aim!

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Society*

Dick Barnes

Fitzharris Manor Abingdon

All Saints' Church

Tuesday 13th November 2007, 7.45pm

November 2007

Non-members £1

www.marchamsociety.org.uk

Further details: Janey Cumber (391327) or Judith Fontaine (391275)