



Marcham WI September 2006

The autumn season of events kicked off with our annual **Cheese and Wine Open Evening** with the subject attracting about six chaps. Bob Dryden from Abingdon Astronomical Society gave a stimulating, illustrated talk on what can be seen in the night sky. Amazing slides of the moon showing the lava fields and coloured stars taken through a telescope but the best came from a space rocket.

Members are looking forward to **coach trips** to Wells, Exbury Gardens (autumn colours) and a German market in Birmingham in Oct/Nov.

Meanwhile **entertainment** will be provided by Pam Ayres and Two Blokes and a Piano and the new production of West Side Story, in Sept/Oct/Nov. **Poetry** afternoons and an area **quiz**, competitive but good fun are also on offer.

On the **cultural front** Oxon Federation have evening talks in Didcot on The Wychwood Project, Our Rivers, A Himalayan Journey day in Botley.

Sugarcraft course and a Christmas **flower arrangement** evening in Upper Heyford and Witney.

Something for everyone — ring a member or contact if you want to know more — or just come along to a meeting.

Marcham WI gentle walks and the pub club at The Crown are starting up again in Sept too.

NEXT MEETING

7.30pm Thursday 19 October

Denman College – Craft and Cookery Building

Clinical Holistic Aromatherapy

Jane Birchenough

Display: decorative candle

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SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB

Our last meeting was very well attended but several of our members have been ill and some in hospital, cards and flowers or fruit have been sent wishing them all well and back with us soon.

On September 7th we went on our outing to Weymouth. It was a glorious day with clear blue skies and very warm, some of the most hardy venturing into the sea for a dip and everyone having a lovely time roll on the next trip. Our next meeting will be 27th September and 26th October look forward to seeing you then.

JOYCE PARRY

ON THE BUSES

Witney is always worth a visit for its own sake (Thames Travel X15 every hour from Frilford Road) and it is also a stepping stone to lots of other nice places. X15 at 0917 and 1017 both connect into Stagecoach 233 to Burford (dep Witney at 1034, 1153) with lots of time to enjoy a delightful, historic Cotswold town with its galleries and antique shops, town museum and very good eating. Burford was granted a charter in 1087 and the size and architecture of St John's Church illustrates its wealth and history. You can find the story of the Levellers who were shot by Cromwell's men in the churchyard for mutiny in 1649. Like most places Burford is spoilt by its traffic so going by bus ensures one less car! Stagecoach 233 comes back to Witney at 1606 and 1701 with connections on X15 home to Marcham.



BUS SPOTTER



Teddy Toddle

Sponsored walk

in aid of Marcham Pre-School

Sunday 15th October 2006

Commencing at 12 o'clock at Mill Road, Marcham

Starting at The Green

(by telephone box, no cars, please!)

Walk down Mill Road to second stream and back

Hot Dogs, Burgers and activities at finish

All welcome!!

Sponsor forms available from Nicky, 01865 391487

Charity Number: 1062332



FRILFORD ST PETER'S WI

Friday 20 October Duffield Place, 2.00pm

Living in France Mrs Jean Creasy

WYN HARMAN

Marcham Ex-Servicemen's Club
Silver Fox playing in the club on
Saturday 28th October 2006
Starts at 8.30pm

MARCHAM SOCIETY MIDWEEK WALK

Thursday, October 5th.

This month's walk will start at The Old Fisherman (Map Ref: SU667066) on the banks of the River Thames near Shabbington, some 3 miles west of Thame. We shall be walking along the Thame Valley Walk and then the Oxfordshire Way to Albury and Ickford Bridge. We will meet at 12.30pm for lunch or 1.30 for the walk of just over 4½ miles.

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



The
**Marcham
Society**

Abingdon Workhouse

Peter Higginbotham will be talking about the conditions and recipients of this harsh form of social care in Abingdon

All Saints' Church

Tuesday 10th October 2006, 7.45pm

Non-members £1

www.marchamsociety.org.uk

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