



Marcham WI October 2007

Our October meeting will be some home grown talent with Dr Eric Dunford's talk about Garden Birds and how to identify them by their song. As usual we welcome visitors to our meeting.

During the Summer we have had some interesting trips and visits. Our coach outing to the Bank of England and Guildhall in the City of London gave us an insight into the fascinating history of finance and tradition in this country.

Members also visited the Ironbridge Gorge and Victorian town in Shropshire seeing life as it was 100 years ago and the place where the industrial revolution started.

Tewkesbury Abbey and Beckford Silk Workshop was the destination for another visit in August.

Our September Open Meeting was very well attended with lots of visitors from neighbouring WIs and also from the village. Our speaker Michael Hodges had a huge collection of artefacts from the Bronze Age onwards telling us about the History beneath our feet.

Events Coming up this Autumn

23rd October – London studios to see recording of Alan Titchmarsh Show.

30th October – Singing for Pleasure with Christine Whild.

13th November – Terracotta Army, British Museum, London

21st November – German Christmas Market, Southampton

NEXT MEETING

7.30pm Thursday 18 October
Denman College Teaching Block

Garden Birds

Dr Eric Dunford

Visitors Welcome – £2 voluntary donation

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MARCHAM SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB

Our August meeting was very well attended and we started with a table top that Muriel and Bet so ably coped with despite a very busy trade. This was followed by a Beetle Drive which proved hilarious at times and some very queer beetles emerged. We had eight winners who all received a small token prize. September 11th was our outing to Weston-Super-Mare. It was a really super day, the weather was sunny and warm and all made the most of it.

At the moment we have quite a few members under the weather, we wish them all well and hope to see them soon, back in full health especially our chair-person Dolly who has to take it easy after a knee operation.

JOYCE PARRY

MARCHAM SOCIETY MIDWEEK WALK

Thursday October 4th. This month's walk will start at The Seven Stars Inn, Marsh Baldon (Map Ref: SU 563993). We will be walking through the quiet Baldon villages and Nuneham Courtenay; quiet until Oxford spreads in their direction! 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.

SUNSHINE CLUB

August: Here we are again, back with our news and update. First we hope "The Team" all enjoyed and had a nice break. Pleased to say Club is going along nicely and very good to see so many members turning up each week. Everyone enjoys the Bingo with the possibility of a win! As you know by now, we have a new Chairlady, Maureen Tilbury who is settling in nicely and hope she is enjoying her new role - has also taken on the treasurer's position. We did have a new treasurer but due to health reasons had to give up, we send her our very best wishes. We have had a few table tops also our summer party. In June, with a tombola which did well. A very nice tea was laid on by the committee our thanks to them all and would like to pass on our thanks to members for raffle prizes given. A nice time was had by all ending with a raffle. On 16th August we had our yearly outing the seaside, Swanage was chosen, which was rather a long way. Did have a few showers but sunshine as well, most people enjoyed the day. Had a raffle on the coach before leaving, our thanks again to all for giving towards this. We received a small donation from a non-member. Thank you

JOY CROOK

MARCHAM CRICKET CLUB

The 1st XI won OCA Division 2 this season and will be promoted to play in Division 1 in 2008. This will be the first time in the Club's history that there will be an opportunity to enter a team in the highest OCA Division. Many thanks are due to all those involved in achieving this success.



The 2nd XI began and ended the season in winning style. However, due to a number of factors, not least the less than satisfactory summer weather, the rest of the Season was not so successful.

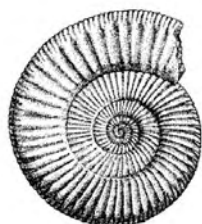
If the above may be regarded as a very brief summary of 2007, then the following sample of results supplied by our historian may be regarded as a snapshot of the situation 100 years ago.

Thus, records show that, in 1907, Marcham's Season included two matches against Sunningwell (with Marcham winning one and losing one), a match against Radley (which Marcham lost) and a win against a combined Great Western Railway and Post Office XI.

It is hoped that, in another hundred years, some other reporter will be able to record the continuing success of Marcham Cricket Club.

As is usual, information relating to the Club may be obtained from Graham Hill (391415) or Terry Whittaker (391317).

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The
Marcham
Society

Paul Booth

Religious Sites in Roman Oxfordshire

All Saints' Church
Tuesday 9th October 2007, 7.45pm

Non-members £1

www.marchamsociety.org.uk

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