



Marcham WI September 2009

We resume our meeting this month after our summer break. The speaker for September is Nick Miers who will tell us about "The Secrets of Bletchley Park" and there will also be a harvest supper. This is an open meeting and visitors are welcome.

During the summer a very successful "Pudding Club" buffet lunch was held raising funds for Marcham WI as well as an opportunity to enjoy a variety of puddings made by the committee.

In August we had beautiful weather for our coach trip to Portsmouth. Forty members and friends visited HMS Victory, the oldest commissioned warship in the world. Our visit was very special as we were greeted and escorted to the poop deck by Lieutenant Commander Douglas (Oscar) Whild, HMS Victory's captain and son of our member Christine Whild (picture). After a group photo on board "Oscar" gave us a short history of his ship before we started our tour. A very enjoyable day was had by everyone.

Future Events

Sept 7th Science lecture at Rutherford Laboratory
Sept 9th Day out in Bristol

NEXT MEETING

7.30pm Thursday 17 September Open Meeting

Secrets of Bletchley Park

Nick Miers

Harvest Supper

Denman College: Teaching Block

Visitors welcome - £3 voluntary contribution

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more information Christine Whild 01865 391270

Manor Farm Walks

Saturday 5 September 10am-1pm

A chance to find out what we do and to see where your breakfast comes from!

Manor Farm, Mill Road, Marcham, OX13 6NZ

An event in the Local Flavours Festival (www.local-flavours.net)

A variety of farm trips suitable for all ages, leaving from outside the shop in Manor Farm yard at 10, 11 and 12, lasting 1 hour approx. Tasters of our meat products in the Farm shop. Booking preferred but not essential!

For bookings and information please ring Janey or Sally on 01865 391327.



The
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Society

Next month's meeting 13th October
Pedro Collins: *Fungi in your Garden*

AGE CONCERN

As your Parish Link for the village I need to inform you re the **Testing of Electric Blankets**. This will take place in Abingdon on September 11. You are requested to make an appointment by ringing 01865 815607. If you have difficulties give me a ring on 391257. There will soon be new information re what Age Concern can do and I will keep you informed.

NAN DRAPER Parish Link



MARCHAM SOCIETY ANNUAL BLACKBERRY WALK Thursday, September 3rd.

Our next walk will be on Thursday September 3rd. We will be meeting again at the Abingdon Arms in Beckley (Map Ref: SP 565113) at 12.30pm for lunch or 1.30 for the 4 mile walk. As usual on this walk, we hope to be able to pick blackberries from the abundant bushes on Otmoor.

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



SUNSHINE CLUB

We all enjoyed an outing to Bournemouth, the weather was kind. We are looking forward to another outing in October to Milton Keynes for Christmas shopping. 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.

We would all like to thank the Ex-Servicemen's Club for an outing to Windsor and back to a very nice buffet and drinks at the Club. We were also introduced to our local Police Community Support Officers who gave us a talk on our safety at home and a lot of other things with reading matter to take home.

New members are welcome if they would like to come to our meetings on Monday afternoons at 2pm for Bingo, tea, raffle and a laugh!

MAUREEN (MO) TIDBURY, Chairlady

IS YOUR PC GIVING YOU A HEADACHE?

Are you interested in belonging (FREE!) to a group who have computers and can help each other with the inevitable problems? There are five people currently helping each other – why not join in? Email david@frasersoft.net.



Tim Healey The Green Man Trail

During 2007 Tim wrote a regular feature on local occurrences of this face with plants streaming from its mouth, in The Oxford Times. Come and discover its fascinating history.

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All Saints' Church Tuesday 8th September 2009, 7.45pm

Non-members £2

www.marchamsociety.org.uk

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