

As so often with the Evergreens it does seem that we get more than our fair share of sunshine. We had three events in June. A lovely cream tea with – by popular request – Bingo, kindly called by Denis in place of Grace who was at home after a bad fall. Then we had an excellent raffle organised by Erika with lots of new faces and welcome familiar ones including Grace and Ken – and making a very handy £100. And again the sun shone on our canal trip, where Brian kindly took command both ways. The July monthly meeting hosted a fascinating display of ‘Old Wendlebury’ which drew out lots of photos of Old Chesterton and other local history, thanks to the kindness of Dave Jones who projected some of his large collection.



Ladies in lilac



The dreadful consequences of exceeding the speed limit



Various recent versions of Old Chums – Ken raffling – Joan and Alice - ‘Old Wendlebury’

Now we look forward to the river trip from Abingdon to Benson on the 28<sup>th</sup>, and the Cotswold Wildlife Park on 18 August, for which I have lists as follows. PLEASE LET ME KNOW OF ANY CHANGES.

**River trip – Abingdon to Benson. 28 July 2008.** Arrive 12.0 by coach (241500) in Abingdon on Farmer’s Market day. By river 2.30 to Benson arriving Waterfront Café Bar Bistro (01491 833732) at Benson around 5.0 for tea. Home by approx 6.30. (Cost £15 excluding lunch and tea).

Bicester Manorsfield Rd 10.45	Chesterton Red Cow 11.00	Wendlebury Red Lion 11.15
Esme Timms	Tinker	Jean G
Jim and Lily	Sue and Brian	Eileen W
Ann	Chris B	June
Reg and Lorna	Hazel and Bob	Maria
Phil C	Margaret	Yvonne and Ray
Frank L	Evelyn	Richard
	Pat L	Jackie and Philip
	Sue	
	Pat B	
	Grace	
	Pam R	
	Stephen	
8	14	9
		31 as at 17.7 (max 33)

**Cotswold Wildlife Park (18 August)**

Ann M, Bob and Hazel, Eileen, Evelyn, Frank, June, Jean, Margaret, Maria, Muriel, Pam R, Pat B, Pat L, Stephen, Tinker, Yvonne and Ray. That's 18. **We need 20 to get a discount on entry from £7 to £5. Travel costs £2.**

#### PROGRAMME 2008/9

All monthly meetings are 2.30 unless there is a lunch meal which is usually at 1.00. Let us know if you have a special diet.

Month	D	Time, Event, Organiser	Other info – cost, deadline etc. Monthly meetings 30p and raffle
July	28	River trip from Abingdon to Wallingford.	See front page
August	4	Monthly meeting (raffle M-Z). Summer puddings with chilled fruit drinks (Erika).	Please let Erika know what you might bring.
	18	Cotswold Wildlife Park (See above). <b>Names to Muriel by 8 August please.</b>	Times and costs to be announced when we know how many more can come. Minibus booked
	19	Trip to Thame Market. <b>Names to Stephen by 12<sup>th</sup> August please</b>	
	21	11.00 Committee meeting.	
September	1	Monthly meeting (raffle A-L). Ploughman's lunch. With Touring Musicians to serenade.	Names to Betty by 26 <sup>th</sup> please.
	15	Horse drawn barge, near Newbury. 11.00 – 1.00. Fully sheltered. Possible buffet. More details in next Newsletter. <b>Please book with Stephen ASAP to let me book appropriate size of coach.</b>	This family run business involves large barges holding 50+ (and the horses thoroughly enjoy it!). If you can get on a coach with help you get on the barge with help – which will be there. Cost around £12 subject to numbers, excluding lunch.
October	6	Monthly meeting (raffle M-Z). Fish & chips (Yvonne).	Possibly The Wheelbarrow Castle at Radford, Inkberrow, Worcs (01386 792207)
	dtbf	Trip to good carvery	
November	3	Monthly meeting (raffle A-L). Indoor games (10-pin, Curling etc).	From Cherwell Leisure services.
		Shopping expeditions.	Venues to be fixed from suggestions as last year.
December	1	Monthly meeting (raffle M-Z). Christmas party (Stephen).	– including quiz.
	18	Christmas Lunch (in house)	
January	5	Monthly meeting (raffle A-L). Cinema (Top Hat) (Betty).	
February	2	AGM (Raffle M-Z)	

Betty and I will willingly take further expressions of interest at any time for other suggestions (eg Rousham, Tiggywinkles the world's leading wildlife hospital, return to Hearing Dogs, Seaside, theatre outings etc).

*Committee* Hazel and Bob Annenberg (252994), Yvonne Clench (252963), Grace Jelfs (324091), **Harry Jenkins (Treasurer)** (241790), Terry Keane(246988), Christine Muddiman (242213), Muriel Pocock (252790), **Stephen Pryor (leader)** (360003), **Betty Tinkler (Secretary)** (241957)