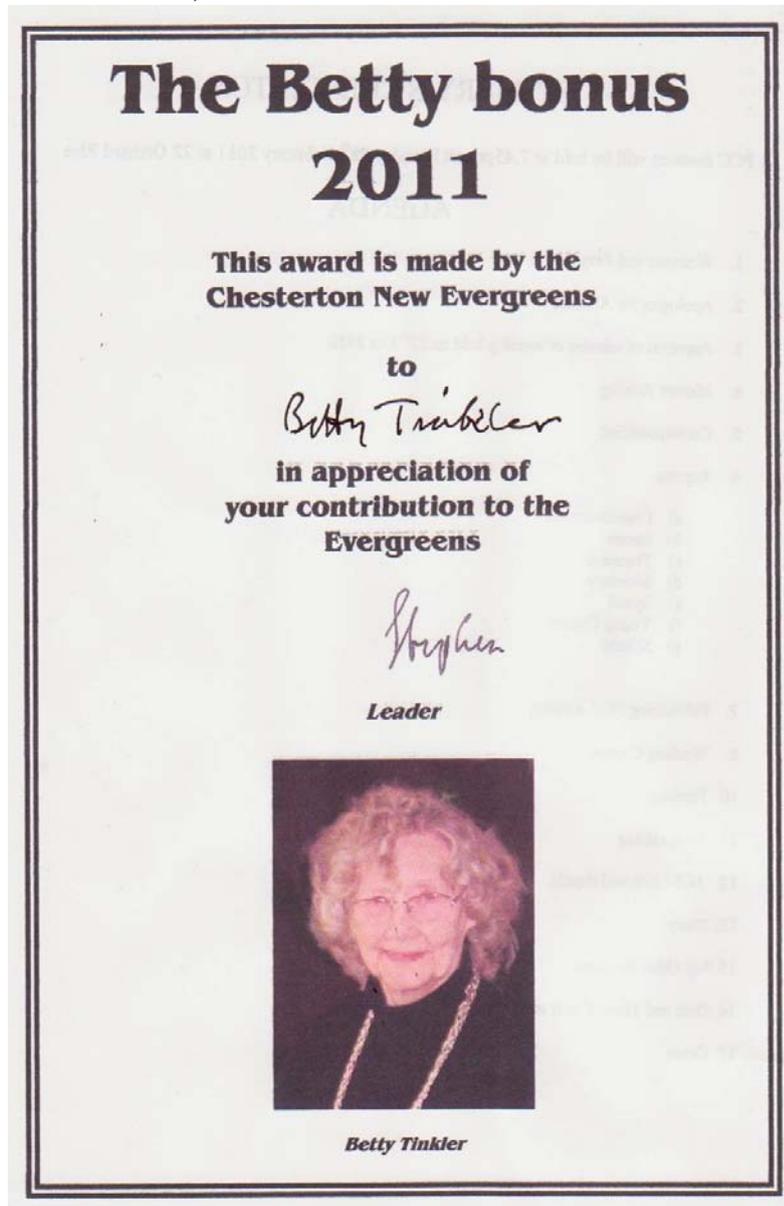




As many of you will know Betty has reluctantly decided to step down after many years as Secretary. She has kindly agreed to a proposal that we award a certificate named the Betty Bonus in her honour (along with a small bonus) as and when we feel it is merited. Needless to say she is the first to receive it and I had the honour of doing so at the Committee Meeting last week.

Betty will remain on the committee, and will retain her interest in members' birthdays!



Ray Clench has very kindly agreed to take the job on, and his offer was accepted at the AGM. Joyce Barlow has also agreed to serve on the committee and has agreed to coordinate some of the more ambitious outings shown overleaf.

We remain committed to trying to provide what members want, which means a lot of work and thanks for your support.

#### Committee

Joyce Barlow (252806) Yvonne Clench and **Ray (Secretary)** (252963), Grace Jelfs , **Harry Jenkins (Treasurer)** (241790), Terry Keane(246988), Pat Lawrence (245297), Christine Muddiman (242213), Muriel Pocock (252790), **Stephen Pryor (leader)** (360003), Betty Tinkler (241957).

Following up the suggestions put forward at the AGM and earlier, the Committee has outlined the programme of events as follows. We aim to keep costs under tight control because many things are going up and we cannot be sure of any additional income.

## PROGRAMME 2011/ 2012

**Monthly meetings costs and timing.** At Wendlebury (arranged by Yvonne) at 2.30 (50p). Monthly meetings with special cakes etc at Wendlebury at 1.30 (£1 entrance). Pub meetings at the Red Cow (arranged by Pat) as stated, priced at cost. **Raffles.** We aim to hold a raffle each time we meet at Wendlebury. Contributions welcome from all at every meeting (ie no alphabet split as before).

**Outings** may be subsidised if we can afford it.

**Outings marked with an \* asterisk and [square bracketed].** Joyce Barlow has kindly agreed to coordinate these for those who have already expressed interest. At present we can only indicate the likely months we are aiming for while we check costs, school holidays, when the Queen can receive us, when the lions are tame etc. Joyce will be in touch with individuals about each outing nearer the time as we finalise details. Outings marked 'dtbf' means 'date to be fixed'.

Month	D	Event, Time, Organiser	Other information. Monthly meetings 50p + raffle
March	7	2.30 Monthly meeting (Raffle). BINGO by popular demand!! (Yvonne) . E-mails and all that stuff. Mark, who looks after Stephen's computer is coming to listen to what people want.	
	30	Banbury carvery and shopping (Stephen). Minibus booked	<b>Names to Stephen by 25<sup>th</sup> please</b>
April	4	2.30 Monthly meeting (Raffle M-Z). Easter (24 <sup>th</sup> ) and wedding (27 <sup>th</sup> ) parade (Numptious food and photos and bonnets (Pat +)	Wedding theme
	dtbf	Rousham Gardens (Stephen to check the best time for Spring flowers)	Names to Stephen. Bring your own refreshments to this private house
May	9	2.30 Monthly meeting (Raffle A-L) (Yvonne)- Going to the Dogs Racing (Colin Board)	Bring amount [?£3] for stake.
	dtbf	Wellesbourne Market (Stephen) . Or Moreton in Marsh	Names and preference for one or other to Stephen asap. I will go with the majority.
	*	[Slimbridge] (season) (check season, transport). (Joyce)	
June	6	12.30 for 1.0 Monthly meeting (Raffle). Fish and Chips at the Red Cow (Pat)	
	dtbf	Bournemouth (Stephen) Expressions of interest to Stephen ASAP	We may combine with others to fill a coach.
	*	[Portsmouth] (Joyce, who will be asking for more details of what people want).	
July	4	2.30 Monthly meeting (No Raffle - Bring and Buy instead).	
	*	[Longleat] (Joyce)	
	dtbf	River trip (Stephen) Journey preferences to Stephen ASAP please.	The Benson Waterfront cafe (01491 833732) for supper was very popular?
August	1	1.0 for 1.30 Monthly meeting (Raffle). Summer puddings (Pat)	
	*	[Buckingham Palace] (Joyce). ('Royalty and Empire at Mme Tussauds possible alternative).	Travel, availability and costs are the main issues
	dtbf	Horsedrawn Canal trip (Stephen). Expressions of interest to Stephen asap	The Newbury trip as usual unless other suggestion?
September	5	12.30 for 1.00 Monthly meeting (Ploughmans at the Red Cow ) (Pat)	
	dtbf	Tigglywinkles (Chris?). World's leading wildlife Hospital, Haddenham, Bucks	Expressions of interest to Chris (244849) ASAP
	*	[Stratford play] (Joyce) and juggle with Aylesbury theatre.	
	dtbf	Canal trip (L Heyford – R of Gib) (Stephen)	(Expressions of interest to Stephen ASAP)
October	3	2.30 Monthly meeting (Raffle). Bring and Buy for Christmas)	Going to the Races (Colin Board)
	dtbf	Shopping trip/s (Stephen)	See also November
November	7	1.30 Monthly meeting at Wendlebury (Fish and Chips) (Yvonne)	
		Shopping trip/s (Stephen and others))	Milton Keynes, Aylesbury, other suggestions?
December	5	1.30 Monthly meeting (Raffle) – Christmas party (Stephen)	Kirtlington guests
		Christmas lunch (Pat)	
January	9	2.30 Monthly meeting (Raffle)	
		Theatre / Panto trip (Stephen)	
February	6	AGM	

Also suggested: Coffee morning and raffle, Carol Concert, Meal at Kirtlington Golf Club /Harvesters, Woodland walks, Line Dancing, Beetle Drive, Waterperry Gardens; Wildlife park, Railway Journey. Helpers needed please.