

WHEATLEY FESTIVAL 1984

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SOCIETIES & CRAFTS FAIR

Merry Bells : Wheatley : 26th. May 1984

9.30a.m to 12.30p.m.

Catalogue
of exhibitors

SOCIETIES

Wheatley W.I.

Founded 1919; first president Mrs. Miller, Shotover House. 1984 is W.I. promotional year and the Societies & Crafts Fair was considered to be an excellent opportunity to make known all their aims and activities. The members meet in the Merry Bells on the third Tuesday of each month of the year EXCEPT August. Meetings commence 7.15p.m. and there are many interesting speakers and outings planned each year; new members are always welcome.

RNLI : Wheatley Branch Fund Raising Committee

Meetings held monthly (approximately) in the home of committee members. Fund raising events planned include this summer in the grounds of Shotover House; new members are always welcome.

Wheatley Windmill Restoration Society

Formed in 1977 with the intention of restoring the windmill to working order using authentic materials and methods wherever possible and practicable. Committee meetings held monthly in members houses. Fund raising events are organised each year. Voluntary work on the windmill takes place each Sunday morning and professional work as funds permit. The next phase of work for 1984 is planned both on the timber and the stonework. New members are always welcome.

First Wheatley Guides

Meet Monday nights at the Youth Centre. A uniformed organisation whose aim is to provide a programme of activities which girls enjoy and which, at the same time, help each individual to develop as a whole person. At Christmas the guides organised a coffee morning in which each patrol was responsible for a stall and the rangers the coffee. All the proceeds went to the Church of England Children's Society; it is hoped to make it an annual event for a different charity each year. Future plans : a summer camp for one week and to join in village activities where possible during the year.

Wheatley Society

This is the tenth birthday of the village civic society. Their varied activities range from the annual garden party to skittles at The Isis, Iffley Lock - from trips to places of interest to talks and slide shows. They present the village pantomime, take an active interest in conservation and local history and help with local events such as the Wheatley Festival and May Day celebrations. Their policy is to fill gaps in village activities rather than duplicate the work of others.

Wheatley Village Produce Association

This association was founded in 1940 by Mr. Knowles, an evacuated headmaster from London. Mr. F. Anson has been secretary for some eleven years now; they run lectures, outings and an annual dinner, besides the show on August Monday. Members meet normally the second Tuesday in the month at the Wheatley United Reformed Church schoolroom. New members are always welcome.

Friends of the Earth

FOE is a campaigning organisation, promoting policies to protect the natural environment. These include - an energy policy based on conservation, efficiency and safety, legal protection for endangered wildlife and the countryside, re-use and recycling of waste, prevention of pollution and transport and planning policies which take full account of land-use and community needs. The Wheatley group was established in 1979 and, although they do not meet on a regular basis, they get together frequently to discuss campaigns. New members are always welcome.

CRAFTS

Hilary Broad : flower painting and prints

Has been drawing and painting flowers since childhood; she has had several exhibitions including one at the County Museum, Woodstock in February 1984.

Helen Stayte : creative textile pictures

Helen is at present studying for her 'A' levels at Rye St. Anthony, one of which is "Dress & Design", this encouraged her to experiment with textiles and it is how she became interested in fabric pictures. In the near future she hopes to go to art college to study theatre design.

Prue Peterson : painted stones & wood wall 'hang-ups'

Started life as a watercolour artist. Did one or two figures in pottery as wall murals then thought they could be done in wood as 'hang-up' figures for nursery, kitchen or bathroom. First exhibited at Holton Craft Fair and, with the indispensable help of her husband, has carried on since then.

Sue Costar : Trapunto cushions

Sue learnt to do Trapunto quilting on a visit to America in 1980; she has found the popular Liberty and Sanderson fabrics with various bird designs have lent themselves to this craft which has proved very popular. Trapunto work is a type of quilting in which the pattern is padded in areas and is raised above the flat background. Sue sells mostly through craft fairs and by personal recommendation.

CRAFTS (cont'd)

Alan Davies : fabric printing

Has special links with the village and the producer of the festival play and will be printing and selling 'T' shirts with the logo of this year's play and the 'beat the bucket' badge.

Pam Reay : crafts afternoon

This group meets 1.30p.m. to 3p.m. each Monday afternoon in the Youth Centre in Littleworth Road. Sewing, leatherwork, macrame, basketry or any other crafts - the choice is yours. No formal class lectures, no formal enrolment needed, just pay a small charge when you come along; no 'term' limitation and there is always a cup of tea available. New members are welcome.

Wheatley Joint Venture Minibus Scheme

The village is host to 3 schools - Wheatley Park, Wheatley Primary and John Watson School, and the community home, Morland House. All of the children are involved in activities which require transport, both during and after school time. A scheme has been evolved whereby such transport, i.e. minibuses for use at Wheatley Primary School, John Watson School and Morland House will be shared, including all costs. The scheme is dependent upon private funds for its existence and all donations, large or small, would be much appreciated. The scheme is their attempt to provide a service for many children for leisure or school activities.

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