

HENLEY SENIOR CITIZENS

2015

- May John Goodhand gave us a very interesting talk together with slides on Village Signs and their locations through the ages, many of which were in our region,
- June Once again we had a trip to "The Hut" at Felixstowe where a fish and chip lunch was enjoyed by all. The afternoon was spent everyone doing "their own thing" in the beautiful sunshine before rounded off a most enjoyable day with afternoon tea and a game of bingo,
- Once again a party of us went to the Westerfield Scout's Entertainment Evening, which was thoroughly enjoyable. Sadly in November of this year we learnt of the sudden death of Shirley Fairburn, who had been the organizer of this event for the past 30 years.
- We were well supported on our tombola stall at the summer fayre and always grateful for this.
- July Early in the month we visited Coddham Gardens which is worth a visit just to see the amount of work entailed to make them look what they are.
- Our annual visit to Jan & Bernie Rushbrook's house for a Garden Party as always, proved very enjoyable.
- Sept Seventeen members boarded a train at Woodbridge for a trip to Lowestoft. The weather was kind to us and a good time was had by all.
- A young man called Sean Hedges-Quinn gave us a talk and demonstration on his work as a Sculptor. He has made quite a name for himself by making various famous statues, amongst which includes those of Sir Alf Ramsey, Bobby Robson and Arthur Lowe (Captain Maenering)
- October Was a quiet month with the usual format.
- November We visited Laurel Farm once again for Afternoon Tea and the owner gave a demonstration for a Christmas Wreath.

December Our chocolate stall at the Christmas Fayre proved a great success in as much as all our prizes had been won quite early in the afternoon.

Our Christmas Lunch was once again cooked and served by Robert Eary, Jim Harris and Mike Mann with assistance from villagers to help with the washing-up. It was delicious and they have been booked for next year. Our entertainment this year were the Barking Bell Ringers and two ballroom dancers. The day finished with the presentation of a Rose Bush and card to Peter Wright - unfortunately Pat was not well - for their forthcoming Diamond Anniversary at the beginning of January 2016.

2016

This is where we would like to say a Big Thank You to the Parish Council for the donation given to us from their funds and as always will benefit the members immensely.

Jan Unfortunately the year started on “a down” with the death of Sonia Hancock. She was a quiet but very popular member and we still miss her a lot.

Feb/March Were once again quiet months.

April We had a speaker called Joe Herne - a Romany Gypsy - whose talk was very interesting. He also brought along various pieces of art work he had done and were on sale if people wished to buy.

May On the 5th twenty seven members spent the day at “The Hut” at Felixstowe, which after all the bad weather we had recently had turned out really hot and once again a good time was had by all.

Since our last report we have had three new members and are please to say that our membership now stands at 29.