West Hagbourne Village Association

Chairman's Report May 2018 - May 2019

Village Walks:

Unfortunately our Summer walk was cancelled due to very hot weather. However, the Autumn walk, the longest attempted by the Village Association, was enjoyed by eleven keen walkers. The Winter walk consisted of a smaller group who walked three miles in spite of the cold weather.

We look forward to the Summer walk in July 2019 when Sheila Taylor has offered to lead a history trail around the village and a visit to St. Andrew's Church in East Hagbourne.

Macmillan Coffee Morning: Saturday, 15th September 2018 £989 was raised for Macmillan Cancer Support. Our thanks go to Mr. Mrs. Richard Allen for their help and use of their facilities at York Farm and all who contributed to make this event such a success.

West Hagbourne Village Association Annual General Meeting at the Horse and Harrow 12 November 2018:

Committee members elected were:

Chairperson: Val Walton, Vice Chairman: Ian Leishman

Treasurer: June Little

Secretary: Margaret Leishman

Executive Committee:

Bridget Pickup, Rob Griffiths, Hazel Rack, Betty Kendrick, Pierre Aller,

Eva Pinkava, Emma Rickard, Rob Rickard

Rob Griffiths is responsible for the hire of the marquees and tables and chairs.

St Andrew's Christmas Tree Festival 8th---18th December 2018: The Association again sponsored one of the trees in the church.

Carol Singing in West Hagbourne:

On a wet December night dedicated singers revived this custom of serenading villagers with traditional carols. A sum of £ 200 was sent to

Crisis UK, a charity which helps the homeless. Thanks to Margaret Leishman for organising the event.

St. George's Displays Event Competition 14th---------28th April 2019: The judge, Mrs. Shirley Rouse, from Didcot, was very impressed with the effort that so many people had made to produce interesting dragons and a St. George.

1st Prize: 5, Manor Close, 2nd Prize: Blissetts where an amusing dragon shop was displayed.

Highly commended: Meadow's Edge and Witchhaven Children's Prize: Nursery School, Highly commended: Broomsticks Prizes were awarded on 28th April at Woodleys, Main Street, where delicious cakes and teas were served. Many thanks to Robert and Hazel who kindly hosted this event. Thanks also go to Malcolm Brownsword who produced amazing audio visual accounts of the dragons and information about St. George. (supplied by Eva Pinkava).

The Village Association welcome new members and ideas for the enjoyment of our villagers.

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