



Friends of Westmill Church



SPRING 2014

Friends of Westmill Church -

A.G.M held on 26th March 2014

The AGM was attended by the FoWC Committee comprising:

Sally Cousins (Chair), Winston Pickup (Treasurer), Jan James (Secretary), Michael Thody, Sue Phipps and Hilary Harding (Church Wardens), Nigel Leaney (Webmaster), Ray Partridge.

David Mills - Chair of the Trustees.

Villagers attending: Andrea Bowman, Mike Harding, John King, Lucia Knight, Rita Pickup, Judy Thody

Apologies were received from Liz Holland.

Précis of the meeting:

Reports were given by the Chair, Treasurer, Trustees and Church Wardens all of which can be seen on request, as can the Minutes, from Winston Pickup. Primarily these were about the successful completion of roof repairs and internal decoration of St Mary's with many congratulations and thanks being expressed to each and every village resident.

Sally stepped down as Chair being replaced by Jan with Nigel taking over her previous role as Secretary. Sue and Hilary advised they were retiring as Church Wardens at the end of April and from the FoWC Committee in this capacity. However, Sue is remaining and Andrea Bowman was welcomed as a new FoWC Committee Member.

It is important that FoWC remains active and continues to raise funds in order to help maintain the fabric of the church but the pressure is off with no major projects envisaged in the short term.

We hope that you will still want to support and enjoy the events that are planned.

Forthcoming Events:

The ever popular Police Choir are returning to St Mary's on Monday 9th June 2014. Doors open 7.30 p.m. for a prompt 8.00 p.m. start. Seating is restricted in the Church and tickets are already selling quickly and available from Jan (272217) and Liz (272181) at £5.00 including a glass of wine/soft drink.



We were all saddened by the recent passing of a wonderful Westmill lady, Betty Mildren, who hosted a number of "Tea Parties" at her home Sissons, but we are delighted that Malcolm (her son) and his wife Ana have said they would love to open the gardens this year for a similar event in memory of Betty. Plans are in hand for something in the summer and we'll let you know the date for your diary once it has been arranged. We hope lots of you will be able to come along - it doesn't matter if you didn't know Betty, she would have wanted everyone to have a very happy afternoon.



The Village Lottery draw takes place on the first Tuesday of the month in the Sword Inn Hand at around 8.30 p.m. There's always a small crowd enjoying an excuse for some light hearted banter so why not come along - a cash prize of £50, £30, £20 or £10 is sure to put a smile on somebody's face.

You've got to be in it to win it - to join ring Jan or Liz (272217 - 272181)



Friends of Westmill Church. (FOWC)

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The Five Trustees are:-

Rev Ian Hill
David Mills
Winston Pickup
Michael Thody
Sally Cousins

Committee Members for 2014 are:-

Jan James Chairlady
Nigel Leaney Secretary & Webmaster
Winston Pickup Treasurer
Andrea Bowman
Sally Cousins
Liz Holland
Raymond Partridge
Sue Phipps
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