

Freddie, went on to become one of the doyens of radio broadcasting in the mid twentieth century.

Still its history is not complete. St. Peter's has a present and a future. Although the settlement contains so few houses, Christians gather from there and the surrounding villages, on the second and fourth Sundays of each month, for a Cotswold evensong.

The floodlit spire stands proudly above the trees and a steady trickle of worshippers walk along the path between the lights and the church, sending vast shadows up the church walls like creatures out of Roald Dahl's 'Big Friendly Giant.'

Once inside, the atmosphere is as warm as the night air is chill. The organ leads, the people follow and singing fills this house of prayer. God is in his heaven and all's right with the world.

Meanwhile the darkened road curves onwards and the passing motorist glances neither right nor left. The church is past but its spirit lives on.

The church will be open throughout the weekend of 22nd / 23rd August, culminating in evensong at 6.00 p.m. on the Sunday when the preacher will be Canon Geoffrey Shaw.

RED CROSS

Disabled Club:

The outing to Stanton Harcourt Manor House and gardens was a delightful occasion. The weather was beautiful and members appreciated the warm welcome and the special facilities for wheelchairs. The wonderful gardens and the wander around the lake with its nesting swans afforded great pleasure. The visit began with a talk in the courtyard, and included a delicious tea in the old kitchen.

The Concert:

This concert was held on Saturday, 16th May, at Ashford Mill Farm, by kind permission of Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie.

It began with music played by the Clarendon Quartet; then there was a supper; and this was followed by the second part of the concert – ad hoc jazz of the 1930s and 1940s . People walked about outside on the patio in beautiful evening sun, and it was obviously enjoyed by everyone.

The grand takings for the evening were between £1,800 and £1,900.

Red Cross Week:

Many thanks to all the collectors who helped to make the splendid total of around £3,000 for collections around Woodstock and villages. Special thanks to Mrs. Packerson for offering her home as a receiving point for the tins.