Oxfordshire Village Shops Association

Is pleased to announce a new competition aimed at rewarding good service to the community from rural retailers.

Shoppers are being invited to nominate their local store for the top prize of a magnum of champagne (and hopefully lots of free publicity!)

Nominations stating;

- the store name & address
- · the nominator's name & address
- · reasons for the nomination

should be sent to:

Helen Datson, Village Shops Fieldworker at 1 Church Lane, Spelsbury, Chipping Norton, Oxon, 0X7 3JR to arrive no later than 30th October 2000

The ten stores receiving the most nominations will be visited by a mystery shopper followed by the judging panel.

Judging will take place during November with the winner being announced in early December.

Further information from Helen Datson 01608 810098 email helenldatson@aol.com

Oxfordshire Village Shops Association is also planning two 'local produce' trade fairs as part of the County Council Oxfordshire Agenda 21 Millennium Event.

Featuring predominately local suppliers and producers, the trade fairs:-

On Tuesday 3rd October 2000 at Stonesfield village hall (from 2pm-7pm) & Thursday 5 October 2000 at Sutton Courtenay village hall (from 1.00pm – 5.30pm)

Will be an opportunity for both rural retailers and the general public to see some of the wide range of produce available from local suppliers and producers. The emphasis will be on 'buying local' – both for the shopkeeper and the consumer.

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CATS PROTECTION LEAGUE

Due to the past fuel crisis, the Jumble Sale at Milton Village Hall will now take place on Saturday, November 11th.