

Flix in the Stix- One Year On

After many months of meetings, requests for financial support from West Oxfordshire Leader Plus Funds and the local Parish Councils and training sessions on how to assemble and operate a mobile cinema, with a little nervousness and trepidation we showed our first film in May last year.



Richards, the owner of the Witney cinema, we have not shown any locally produced films.

We have also been able to show films at The Day Centre, held on a Thursday in The New Beaconsfield Hall, The Old Prebendal Home, and, on two occasions, the equipment has been hired for fundraising *Chix at the Flix* evenings.

The objective of 'Flix' is to show recently released films on a regular basis in the three Wychwood villages.

We hoped to attract a regular audience who prefer to stay local rather than travelling to Oxford or Swindon. With the latest digital technology we are able to give a high quality presentation. We also set ourselves the aim of showing films specifically for children, and encouraging local talent to make films.

Flix, Chix and Grown Up Children

We have had mixed success in the last year; we have shown a total of 34 films including seven children's films. Attendances have varied from 107 people for *Mrs Henderson Presents* to 13 for *Batman Begins*.

Regular Children's cinema has been run on Saturday mornings in Milton Village Hall, with 106 people squeezing in for *Wallace and Grommit* although many of the 'children' at this film were over thirty years old!

So far however, apart from a short film of The Wychwood Fair taken by John

The Autumn Schedule

After a summer break we are starting again in **September**, but have decided to reduce the number of films to one adult film per month, shown at the three village halls in rotation and one children's film each month, shown at Milton Village Hall.

The schedule is:

September

Milton, Village Hall

October

Ascott, Tiddy Hall

November

Shipton, New Beaconsfield Hall

Full details, dates and times will be posted around the villages, so watch out for our new banners, 'A' boards and posters for film details.

If you have made a film that you would like shown at one of the shows please let us know. We would welcome any ideas and suggestions. Please telephone me on: 01993 831134.

Gordon Halliday

STOP PRESS. Chloe Marshall (see Page 9) sent in the results of her match in Germany. She was competing against 60 people in her age group, played 6, won 4 and lost 2. She finished 21st in the tournament, having been seeded 37th. Congratulations!