## Helene Payne (née Woodward) 1925 - 2007

Helene, perhaps better known to family and friends as Queenie, passed away on January 5<sup>th</sup> 2007. She spent all her early life in Shipton, moving on later.

Her warmth and ability to always look on the bright side



of life, plus a little chuckle or two, endeared her to many. She always kept up with the Wychwood news, 'her roots' as she called it.

Her passing was a sad day for many.

Kay Field

## **Try Our Coffee Mornings from 9 to Noon**

The first two coffee mornings at the **New Beaconsfield Hall** exceeded all expectations with 25 people on the opening morning and 20 the following week. The coffee morning is for all ages to play, relax, chat and hear what is going on in the village. It is an opportunity to meet your neighbours and those from the other end of the village. It is being run by volunteers for the benefit of everyone in the village. We must thank Chris Cowley for his generosity in supporting both our

Monday coffee morning and the Baptist Chapel coffee morning on Fridays in Milton. Our first local news triumph was when two people who had lived in the village for most of their lives discovered that the best girl friend of one had, in 1940, married the brother of the other! Give us a try. You will get a mug of coffee or tea and a piece of cake or flapjack for 50p. We will give it a sixmonth trial so USE it or LOSE it!!

## Thank You to All Our Helpers

When we fixed the date of April 14<sup>th</sup> for our annual 'thank you' party for everyone involved in the magazine we never expected perfect summer weather, but that was just what we had.

Anne and Nigel Braithwaite hosted the party at their mill-house in Ascott and, as the weather was so wonderful, we were able to enjoy the peace of their garden, with its beautiful views across the



surrounding fields.
We are dependent on so many people who help with the distribution of the magazine, - the distributors who drop the magazine through letter-boxes and collect

the subscriptions and the shops who sell it for us

We would like to thank you all - we cannot do it without you!

Martin Gibbs, Committee Chairman