

Feedback

Old Prebendal House

I was pleased to read of the re-opening of Prebendal House after the floods and hope that all the residents enjoy the time they spend there.

I have fond memories of the time during the Fifties, when I and several other village girls were taught how to do patchwork quilting by the then occupant Mrs. Hornby.

I spent many enjoyable hours exploring her beautifully styled gardens, with seasonal flowers and little waterways running through rockeries of Cotswold stone as they made their way towards the Evenlode. We weren't allowed to walk on the little suspension bridge over the river as it was unsafe, and we gave her apiary in the orchard a wide berth!

Phyllis Clarke (née Brookes)

Hathaway's Stores

See Pages 34 and 35 for more on the 100 year history of Shipton House Stores, as Mary Dee looks back on the opening of Dee's Stores at the turn of the century

Mary Moore (née Mawle), who grew up at Court Farm, Mawles Lane, Shipton, remembers wonderful Christmas bazaars on the upper sales floor of Hathaway's. The store was decorated for Christmas with a tree and all the trimmings and small gifts, such as toiletries were on sale, along with a wonderful selection of toys.

Her family purchased their groceries at Hathaway's one week and Franklin's the alternate week.

She recalls that Midland Bank operated from a 'cubby hole' in Franklin's.

A letter from the Lord Rotherwick Palm Sunday Wychwood Walk

I read with interest the article "Preserve the Palm Sunday Wychwood Walk" in the Wychwood publication February/March 2008.

A Welcome to Wort's Well

We welcome again this year, those walkers visiting Wort's well on Palm Sunday. I thought it might be of interest to your readers to know the most recent history of this well. Some years ago we renovated this site and put the green-painted metal fence around it to protect it from animals, such as cattle and deer, in order to stop fouling the well.

Unfortunately experience told us that unless we put barbed wire around the outside of such a fence it usually ends up

being damaged by the animals using it as a rubbing bar.

Your View are Welcome

Further works to this site will occur over the next couple of years: the continuation of the re-landscaping of the old quarry and the completing of the replanting programme in this area.

We are always delighted to hear people's views on Cornbury. Emailing or writing to the Cornbury Park Estate office is more helpful than just publishing them.

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