

Milton WI Celebrates its 90th Year!

Anniversary years are always special, but for the Milton branch of the Women's Institute this year, 2008, is very



special indeed. We will be celebrating the 90th year since our formation, and in true WI tradition we will be having a party for our members and invited guests on **Tuesday 17th June**. As well as our customary good food, we will hold an exhibition of weddings over the 90 years, including dresses, photos and other memorabilia. Also our own WI historical documents and scrapbooks will be available for everyone to browse.

Established in 1918

The 'Wychwood Women's Institute' was first established in May 1918, (the above photograph was taken in 1921), joining the villages of Milton and Shipton together. This remained so until 1952

when Shipton for med their own branch. The site of our monthly meetings on Shipton Road has never

changed, just the building, firstly the British Legion hut and now the Village Hall, with membership at times close to 100. With today's modern lifestyles our membership is now much smaller, but we are still a strong and vibrant group of ladies, being entertained and educated in 2007 with many talks, including *Journeys down the Mississippi River*, *Celtic Appliqué* and a talk on the work of our Magistrates.

We meet on the **3rd Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm in Milton Village Hall**. If you would like more details of our meetings or of our Birthday celebrations, please contact Rose Hartley on: 01993 830776

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Twenty Minutes on New Road

In February 'Dolly', our year old Jack Russell, was in season so we have been walking her away from other dogs, and New Road has been a good place where we can let her have a run.

In doing the daily walk I noticed rubbish dumped by walkers or thrown from vehicles, littering the road verges and hedge bottoms. Yesterday I could ignore it no longer and, as I had a bag and gloves in the car, I spent 20 minutes

picking it all up; including; cans, sweet wrappers, plastic bags and bottles, a broken spade and a bucket that was full of concrete.

I'm sure you will agree that it *really* enhances the beauty of this lovely rural road.

Why can't litter be taken home or kept in the car until a suitable place is found to dispose of it?

Jeremy Huntingford