

Shipton W.I.

The members of Shipton W.I. have been educated, amused and entertained by a very varied programme of events this year beginning with a visit from Chrissie Harper and a few of her owls in **January**. We learned many fascinating facts about these birds and Chrissie's devotion to them was obvious to all. As well as her fascinating talks she also offers Owl Evenings, Owl Walks and other Owl Experiences including one for children from the age of six.



Mystec the Barn Owl

was Sylvia Nickels whose talk was entitled: *So You Want to be a Writer*. She gave an amusing description of her experiences in getting articles published in newspapers and magazines and how she developed her style of writing to achieve her aim, which was to get her book published.

Shipton to Nairobi

In **April**, one of our intrepid members, Gail Huntingford, showed us slides and described the

adventurous trip she took with her husband and two other couples, from Europe to Africa in specially adapted vehicles. Gail described the route, which they took through Europe, stopping in Budapest, Bucharest and lovely villages in Romania before travelling on to Africa. Gail talked about the architecture and illustrated the beauty of the mosques, monasteries and churches which they visited and she stressed the fact that wherever they went, they were met with kindness.

The World of Advertising

In **February**, our speaker was David Trollope, who amused and entertained us with his talk on *The Silly World of Advertising*. He regaled us with wonderful stories about his professional life as the Director of many of our favourite television adverts, the many methods of friendly persuasion which he had to use in order to get the film into the can on time and the famous, and occasionally infamous, people he worked with over the years. David also showed us several excerpts of his commercials and we were enthralled by some of the very daring and dangerous situations in which he found himself to ensure that all his work was of the very highest calibre. This was an extremely memorable evening and we are very grateful to David for sharing a small part of his exciting career. Our speaker in **March**

Our programme for the next year promises to be as varied and interesting. Shipton W.I. meets in The New Beaconsfield Hall at **7.30 p.m.** on the **second Thursday of each month**. For more information, please contact Margaret Hartley, President, on: 01993 830 306 or Margaret McKillop, Secretary, on: 01993 832 644.
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