

The Male Model and the Penguin

Many of you will remember, with great affection, the wonderful Penguins who graced the stage of the old and new Beaconsfield Hall at pantomime time. Year after year these penguins danced their way across the stage to the delight of audiences of all ages.



The wonderful costumes were designed and made by Joan Howard-Drake and Evelyn Dixon, both members of Shipton WI. But now we can reveal the male model whose services were used to measure, pin and fit those costumes. We know his name but can you work it out?
Christine Halliday

Fundraising with a Difference

In early November, my eldest daughter Charlotte from Winchester, ran in the ING New York Marathon for KIDS, a charity working with disabled children and their families. She had previously run in three London Marathons and her daughter helped with a KIDS Summer School.

She had to raise £2,000 for them and had reached £910 on her own when I decided to see if I could help boost her funds. I was told that I could raise £700 by putting on a film evening, with supper, at the New Beaconsfield Hall.

Putting on a Film

I was told where to go to hire the film and I hired the *Flix in the Stix* equipment. A *Flix* team of projectionists set it all up for me and started the film. I donated and cooked the supper, charging £10 per head for tickets.

Eyeing Up the Competition

That evening I had to compete with David Cameron's meeting at Milton Village Hall, which did reduce my numbers. He was forgiven when I discovered that he is a Patron of KIDS and his son Ivan is helped by them. The young mums of the villages had a jewellery sale evening which also tempted some away from my event.

Thank You!

I sold 62 tickets and was helped by Shipton friends and my family. I had costs of £260 and never believed that I would make £700, but thanks to many people who gave me very generous donations I made an astounding £857! Charlotte and I would like to thank so very much everyone who supported us.

Anne Matthews

Shipton Volunteers Recruitment Evening

At **The Lamb** on **18th December** between **19.00 and 21.00**. A chance to meet the Volunteers and learn what is going on. Quiz, Presentation. Refreshments.