

## Fundraising and Feedback

### Wychwood Fireworks

May I say a big 'thank you' to all the people who supported us at the Wychwood Fireworks display. Despite the weather, a total of £796 was made for the Wychwood Primary School.

**Paul Finch**

### Charity Sales

Liz Shannon raised an astonishing £982 at her Wychwood House Charity Sale; the money will be shared between Action Medical Research, the Maggie Centre and Epilepsy Action. Jill Mavin raised over £700 for the Lawrence Home Nursing Team with her energetic sales of cards and recipe books.

### Poppy Appeals

On behalf of the Royal British Legion, I would like to thank the people of Shipton-under-Wychwood for their generous donations to the Poppy Appeal. The amount raised in 2008 was £1,317.80, the majority coming from the house to house collections. Many thanks to the wonderful people who volunteered

their time to go to their neighbours' doors, rattling their tins.

I would like to pass on the organising of the Appeal to someone else, after running it for six years; if there is someone who would be happy to take over please ring me on: 01993 831091.

**Alan Mavin**

Despite the credit crunch £1,356.02 was banked for the Poppy Appeal from Milton and Lyneham; of this £1,176.22 was from the house to house collections and the Poppy boxes in local businesses and £179.80 from the collection at the Remembrance Sunday Service in St Simon and St Jude's Church, Milton. On behalf of the Royal British Legion Appeal, I would like to say a big 'thank you' to all who helped with and supported the 2008 Appeal.

**Chris Seviour**

Ascott raised £450 from the Poppy Appeal collection and £149.50 from the Remembrance service collection.

**Anne Braithwaite**

## Postal Disorder

Several readers have reported having post delivered from the backlog caused by the errant postman back in 1982. Sarah Thacker received a birthday card for her 4<sup>th</sup> birthday from her aunt! Talking to a friend from Charlbury, I

asked if she knew anything about where the bags of post had been stored all these years. A few days later back came the reply, they had been stacked in the attic of a rented cottage owned by her mother!

**Christine Halliday**

## Forest of the Hwicce

Following on from enquiries about how the 1<sup>st</sup> Wychwood Scout Troop in Gauteng Province, South Africa, got their name, the Troop Leader sent us a copy of the letter granting use of their emblem. The letter dated 10<sup>th</sup> July 1949 and

signed by the Divisional Commissioner, states; *This emblem is an adaptation of the heraldic design once used by a leader of the ancient British tribe, the Hwicce. The name Wychwood means literally 'Forest of the Hwicce'.*