

The Cotswold Decorative and Fine Arts Society

Love's Labour's Frozen

Our Christmas lecture will be held at **10.45 am on Wednesday, December 8th, 2010, at Bradwell Village Hall**, Burford.

The lecture is '*When Icicles Hang by the Wall*'. *Dutch Winter Paintings* by James Heard.

The familiar Christmas card with its snow scene has its roots in Shakespeare's time when he wrote those lines from *Love's Labour's Lost*. Just before the great dramatist was having his plays performed at the Globe in London, Flemish artists such as Brueghel and Valkenborch and the Dutch Avercamp were developing a new genre - that of frozen landscapes. We shall explore the difficulties of depicting

snow as well as exploring the symbolism behind these delightful scenes on the ice.

James Heard is an artist with a studio in Antwerp. After a career in adult education he has been adult programme manager at the Tate, the National Portrait Gallery and until recently, The National Gallery where he still lectures as a freelance. He lectures for Christies Education, Sotheby's, the Victoria and Albert Museum and The Whitechapel Art Gallery. He has lectured in various museums in the US.

Non-members are welcome (suggested donation £8). Bradwell Village Hall is two miles south of Burford on the A361.

Autumn Plenty Raises £628!

Once again we have put the surplus fruit, vegetables and flowers from our allotments and garden at our gate, inviting passers-by to take them in return for a donation. A couple of our neighbours have also joined in. I am delighted to report that we have exceeded last year's total of £500 and have sent a cheque for £628 to the Lawrence Home Nursing Team who provide excellent support to

many local families.

This year we have added jams and chutneys which have been very well received.

If anyone has any spare jam-jars I would be most grateful if you drop them off at Threeways, Bruern Road, or contact us to collect on: 01993 830090.

Thank you for your support.

David and Joanna van de Pol

Timely SWYCH Swap Shop in January

We were sorry to cancel the September swap shop. The next one is

Saturday 15th January 2011, 10am-12 noon in the Wychwood School Hall.

Just the opportunity you need to exchange the jumper that was three sizes too small!

And make a little person happy too!

Heather Shute

Farmers' Markets

Chipping Norton

Saturday 18th December, 8.30 to 1.30

Charlbury

Saturday 11th December, 9.00 to 1.00

Woodstock

Saturday 4th December, 8.30 to 1.00

Witney

Wednesday 15th December, 8.30 to 1.30