

The Wychwood Big Society Good Companions

The Wychwood Day Centre has been running very successfully for many years now, but we have a waiting list.



Right now we are organising a monthly get - together with as many of the elderly as would like to come.

How Can We Do More?

The Board has been looking to do more for the elderly in the Wychwoods and has decided to form a new group under the umbrella of the Day Centre called 'Good Companions'. Councillor Rodney Rose has given us a grant through 'The Big Society' for our start up costs.

There are many things we can do, but firstly we must talk to all the other groups that are already doing good works for the elderly so as we can coordinate, rather than duplicate our efforts.

Good Companions

Our first event was a matinée film show, followed by tea and cake, at Milton Hall on Tuesday 20th November. The film was the Ealing Studios classic *The Lady Killers* with Alec Guinness. We hope to have two or three films each year.

It will take some time to put our other thoughts into action, but we will keep you up to date as best we can. If you have any suggestions or questions, give me a ring on: 01993 831146.

David Trollope
Co-ordinator

New Sponsor for the Shipton Volunteers

Established 50 years ago and located in Shipton-under-Wychwood since 1975, with the founder's grandson Tom Cochrane currently heading up the family business, Cochranes of



Gordon Gillett with Tom Cochrane

Oxford Ltd have generously become the third sponsor of the Shipton Volunteers since their formation in 2007.

Cochranes manufacture a wide range of molecular models and educational aids including *Construct-o-Straws* a fun

construction toy which was later developed into their maths sets and is to be found in kindergartens and primary schools around the world.

Cochranes' sponsorship allows new

members of the Shipton Volunteers to qualify to wear a smart burgundy sweatshirt with the respective logos printed on the front and back .

Gordon Gillett