

A Roll in the Hay

Who could resist a roll in the hay with Lillian Bellamy of the Archers?

Clearly not many in the Wychwoods, as proved by a full house for *A Roll in the Hay*, an entertainment

comprising poems, readings and music loosely based on rural life and presented at the New Beaconsfield Hall in October.

The production was provided under the Oxfordshire Rural Touring Scheme run in this area by the Chipping Norton Theatre. The three performers were Sunny Ormonde, who plays Lillian Bellamy, and the Antonius Players, a duo of Ilone Antonius-Jones and Martin Quinn.

All This and Supper Too!

Ilone and Martin are music teachers at Sibford School. Martin had taught singing to Sunny's son and had got to know her through him. Now the three of them come together occasionally to provide the excellent and varied entertainment which was on offer. Sunny gave us insights into



the production of the Archers which she has been a part of for the last twenty years - they have helpers who carry out all the actions while they concentrate on the script.

Tiger

She was careful not to reveal any future twists in the plot but she did identify a possible replacement for her very own 'Tiger' in the form of the Wychwood Magazine's new Chairman who was constricted by her feather Boa for the rest of the evening!

Ilone comes from Northern Bavaria and introduced teutonic elements into the programme whilst entertaining with some excellent flute playing. Martin sang in his fine baritone voice, accompanying himself on the guitar or keyboard.

All of this and a cottage pie supper! Based on this experience we will all be fighting for tickets for the next offering from the Touring Scheme.

Alan Vickers

One Man's Surplus

We are pleased to report that we have sent £852 to Lawrence Home Nursing raised from the surplus vegetables, fruit and flowers on the table at the gate.

This is the most we have ever raised in one year! Although it seemed to be a poor

gardening year some things have done really well and once again thanks to everyone who has supported us and we look forward to seeing you again next year.

Joanna van der Poll