

Tiddy Hall Anniversary Dinner Dance

It has become quite a feature of Tiddy Hall that every January we celebrate the opening of the new hall - back in 1994 - with an Anniversary Dinner Dance and this year was no exception. Despite



all the Centenary celebrations of last year and some pretty poor weather, we had a good turnout with guests from the village and some old friends who used to live in the village and were just keen to come back and socialize.

These events often see a new band playing in the Hall and this year we invited a local and very talented band, *Cooper Black*, to perform with their mixture of rock/blues/folk and various

dance routines. Everyone particularly enjoyed the harmonica solo in the middle of *Freight Train*. I think he had done it before!

We had a lovely meal and a big thanks to all those

who helped and in particular the three waitresses; Hatty, Isabelle and Emma who made the whole evening such a relaxed and enjoyable one.

The Hall is going through some fairly major changes over the forthcoming months what with an upgraded kitchen and other changes so the money raised is all going to that good cause.

Simon Gidman

Milton-under-Wychwood Village Hall

As many of you will know, the car park was completely tarmacked on November 29th. The work was carried out by Gordon Hill and Sons from Minster Lovell, at a cost of £22,000. This is the first time since the hall was built 52 years ago that the whole area has been tarmacked.

I would like to thank all the people who helped with fundraising. Grants were made by:

Oxfordshire County Council £6,000
West Oxfordshire District Council £5,500
Doris Field Trust £1,000
Big Society £1,000
Milton Jubilee Committee £1,000
Hall funds £5,000

We were also granted a loan from DEFRA for £3,500.

Special thanks must go to those who made these grants possible:

Oxfordshire County Council -
Cllr. Rodney Rose (Deputy Leader)
Doris Field Trust - Mrs W. Church (Trustee)
West Oxfordshire District Council -
Cllr. Richard Lanridge (Community Officer)
Oxfordshire Rural Community Council -
Lynne Newin (Community Halls Advisor)

Our next project is to create a proper bar so that the equipment at present in the kitchen can be moved out. After that the kitchen will need a new cooker, twice the present size.

Life is never dull!

Ivor Mollart, Treasurer