

## Where's the Brasso?

If you thought WI is all jam and Jerusalem, you would be mistaken. Together with regular monthly meetings with a wide variety of speakers and activities, there are sports - bowls, darts and golf. For the past few years I have played in the WIGS (Women's Institute Golf Society) Oxfordshire Knock-out competition. Amazingly I reached the final of the knock-out this year.

For days before the match in October my mailbox pinged with encouraging messages, urging me to 'put Shipton on the radar'. With all that support I could not fail could I? The match was very close, played (naturally) in excellent spirits with the



county golf representative as referee. After 18 holes we were all square, so it was back to the first hole again.

My opponent's third shot was in the bunker so I knew I was in with a chance; I sank the putt and won! As a relative newcomer to golf, and with a life-long history as an also-ran, I was thrilled to be presented with a glass paperweight, and the

prospect of receiving a shield at next year's AGM. Help, where's the Brasso?

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*Shipton W.I meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7.30pm in the New Beaconsfield Hall, Shipton. For more information please ring Margaret Gibbs on: 01993 832440 or Margaret Hartley on: 01993 830306.*

## 900<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St Mary's in 2015 Help Plan Our Celebrations

In the year 2015, St. Mary's church in Shipton-under-Wychwood will celebrate 900 years of existence. The records begin in 1115, but it is likely that there was a place of worship in Shipton before the written records start. We are planning many events to take place during 2015 to mark this



auspicious occasion. Events already at the planning stage include: an historical lecture, a choral day, a medieval feast, an amateur drama production, and a concert by the wonderful Shipton choir.

If you would like to join the team or have ideas for other ways to celebrate this occasion, do please get in touch with me.

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