



## Marcham WI May 2009

Our late Spring meeting this month is to encourage us into the garden and the speaker from Notcutts will advise us on which plants are suitable for all aspects of the garden. Please also bring along seedlings, cuttings and house plants for our plant stall.

We will also be discussing the resolution chosen for the Cardiff AGM on mandatory labelling of food with the county of origin. The refreshments will be cheese and wine organised by the committee.

A very successful evening was hosted by Marcham WI at Drayton Village Hall for six local WIs, celebrating 40 years of the Jubilee 69 group meetings. This was well attended with the new county chairman, Sue Cox, as a guest and everyone enjoyed the humorous speaker and especially the celebration cupcakes.

### Future Events

- May 20th Visit to Syon Park and Richmond
- June 2nd National AGM at Cardiff
- June 9th Visit to RHS Wisley
- June 17th Chilton Open Air Museum

### NEXT MEETING

7.30pm Thursday 20 May

*Sam from Notcutts*

### Plants for All Aspect of the Garden

Cheese and wine and plant stall  
Denman College

Visitors welcome - £3 voluntary contribution

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19 - 20 June  
Dates for  
all diaries!



### ...more details

The **Great Marcham Weekend** continues on Sunday 20 June, when Marcham will be opening up, not just to local people from Marcham and District, but aiming to attract visitors from further afield. **Bring your friends and families!**

There will be a range of activities around Marcham, including:

- Open farmyard at Manor Farm, with a chance to see animals and tractors
- Marcham Remembered photo display will run at Manor Farm and at Duffield Place
- Cream Teas (and Coffees)
- Open Tower – Bell-ringing display and visits to the top of the church tower for a unique view
- Vintage car display
- Open Gardens around Marcham and District
- Art display and sale
- Local Crafts sale
- Treasure Hunt – on foot around Marcham (all children must be accompanied by adults)

The Weekend will close with an **open-air service** for all at the end of Sunday afternoon.

Other displays and events are also being planned. Full details, timings and a map of all GMW events will be published in the GMW Event Guide, a printed colour brochure which will be distributed to all houses in the MADNews area in early June.

Details of events requiring tickets will also be displayed at the Post Office in Marcham, and tickets will be on sale from the dates announced there.

Many people have been working hard planning this weekend. We will need many pairs of hands to help with small jobs – such as fetching and carrying, and stewarding during the weekend – if you can help, please contact Jim or Denise Asher (391727) for details.

***This is the event of the decade that everyone will be talking about! Don't miss it!***

### Open Gardens Sunday 20 June

As part of the **Great Marcham Weekend** villagers are invited to open their gardens. There is no pressure to 'put on a display'. Front, back, pots on patios, fruit, veg, hanging baskets – all welcome. If you would like to participate, please ring me on 391592 or leave your name and tel. no. **GRETA GOULDING**



Oxford Artweeks Saturday 8th – 31st May  
Brochures are available from libraries, Tourist Information Centres, museums, shops and [www.artweeks.org](http://www.artweeks.org)

### MARCHAM SOCIETY MIDWEEK WALK

**Thursday, May 6th 2010.** This spring walk will explore some of the woods on Wytham Hill, by special permission of the Conservator. We will meet at The White Hart in Wytham (Map Ref: SP 476087) at 12.30 for lunch or 1.30 for the walk. The route of about 4 miles, gives super views over Oxford and is mostly on metalled roads and tracks, but does involve a climb from the village up to the top of the hill; hopefully the bluebells will be at their best.

New walkers are always very welcome. Members free, non-members £1. Ring Eric Dunford on 391439 for lifts and details.



The  
Marcham  
Society

## The History of Sutton Courtenay Ron Dell will be talking about his village and a visit will be arranged

*All Saints' Church Tuesday 11th May 2010, 7.45pm*

Next meeting 14th September 2010  
The State of British Mammals - *Philip Riordan*

Non-members £2 or use your free token [www.marchamsociety.org.uk](http://www.marchamsociety.org.uk)  
Further details: Sheila Dunford (391439) or Judith Fontaine (391275)