### John and Barbara Kinchin would like to thank everyone for the lovely cards and generous contributions to Cancer Research UK on their Golden Wedding Day 08-10-10. They raised £800.

### Dear Editor

It was fantastic to receive the cheque from the Great Marcham Weekend for a staggering £630! Thanks so much to Jim & Denise Asher and to all who were involved in the running of the GMW. As a small charity working with orphans, the elderly and the whole community in rural Mozambique, such a huge donation will make a big difference. We are also focusing a lot on education at present. We have a primary school of 800 children and we are building two new classrooms for more children. This year we have supported 46 children to go to secondary/technical school and we hope it will be more next year. We also have adult literacy courses and we now have a fund for tertiary education. This fund will support its first student this year to enable him/her to train to be a doctor in the Beira medical school on the coast. Thanks so much to everyone who came to the weekend who have enabled us to continue this important work.

### VILA MANINGA

## **GARD UPDATE**

There is an inevitable lull in news and information about the Thames Water Upper Thames Reservoir (UTR) proposal whilst we await the Inspector's Report to the Secretary of State for DEFRA following the Public Inquiry in June, July and August. It is expected that the Report will be provided in November and that the public will not be privy to the recommendations until Ministers have seen and studied it, and made a decision.

We expect that Thames Water will be required to examine the alternatives to the UTR fully and properly, and GARD is keen to see independent oversight of this process as Thames Water has, to date, shown that the company cannot be trusted to carry this process out fully and even-handedly. Their fixation on the UTR as the only answer to new water resources appears to be almost wholly commercially motivated, and is not necessarily in the consumers' best interest.

The main concern GARD now has is to ensure that the UTR is not included in the Government's National Policy Statement for Water until, and unless, the need for it has been properly demonstrated, and that it has been shown to be the appropriate choice after proper consideration of alternatives which are less environmentally damaging, more sustainable and less expensive.

Once there is further news it will be passed on, but it is important that those who are most closely affected by Thames Water's plans should be kept up to date

NICK THOMPSON Hon Chairman GARD

## **Good Neighbour Schemes Lunch**

FREE buffet lunch to meet people running Good Neighbour Schemes in Oxfordshire. Receive the Good Neighbour scheme toolkit, share your ideas and information and see what help is available. Come and join us (let us know if you're bringing a display)

We look forward to seeing you at

12pm- 2pm 3rd November 2010

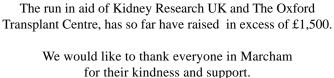
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**THANK YOU** 

Chris & Tracy Barrett of Anson Close completed

the Great North Run in September 2010.

MARCHAM CALENDAR Are you beginning to think about Christmas presents?

The Marcham Society has produced a calendar for 2011 and a range of notelets featuring photographs given to the Society when their successful book "Marcham Remembered" was produced.

> You can buy copies of the calendar for £3.50 each at the Post Office and Cumbers Farm Shop or contact Sheila Dunford 391439.



www.theWI.org.uk

Calendar 2011

The National Federation of Women's Institutes (NFWI) is the largest women's organisation with over 205,000 members. It plays a unique role in providing women with education opportunities and the chance to build new skills.

# Night Duty Officers at Denman College £7.62 per hour 22 hours per week

Denman College, the creative home of the Women's Institute for courses focusing on cookery, craft and lifestyle studies, is looking to develop its team to provide a first class service for our guests.

We are looking for 3 experienced Night Duty Officers to provide a professional approach to reception duties during the evening, acting as the first point of contact for our guests, ensuring they enjoy a relaxed, comfortable and secure stay at the college.

The role will involve dealing with guest gueries and responding to any calls/ incidents during the night and prioritising your other duties such as cleaning, preparing teaching rooms, assisting with basic maintenance within the college and stocking the shop.

You will have basic IT skills, including experience of Microsoft Word, Outlook and databases. A willingness to undertake training including first aid and fire officer courses is essential.

You will need to be self motivated as you will be working on your own for two nights a week on a rolling six day rota, Monday to Saturday, 8.30pm to 8.30am. There will also be occasional Sunday night working and additional nights to cover colleagues during holiday and sick periods.

Denman College is one of Oxfordshire's finest Georgian stately homes set in 17 acres of grounds and offers a quiet and tranquil place to work with excellent facilities, a dedicated team of staff and an inspiring calendar of courses, events and activities. There's something special about Denman College, come and join our team.

For an application pack, please contact Chrystal Isherwood, HR Officer on c.isherwood@nfwi.org.uk or 020 7371 9300 ext.231

Closing date for receipt of applications: 12 November 2010