Marcham WI
February 2009

February brings us St Valentine's Day and for those of you who love chocolate it won't be long before Easter is here! With chocolate in mind, our guest speaker for this month will be Colin Steele from Thorntons. He will be talking about the history of the company and bringing lots of delicious chocolate samples to taste. Our January meeting with Julie Summers was a great success and we all await the publication of her new book this year.
Congratulations to Jen Brown and her husband on the birth of their baby daughter Amelia on 6 January 2010.
Sylvia Horlock has raised £153 from the sale of her hand-made cards in the last year. The money has been donated to Arthritis Research. Her chosen charity for 2010 will be Osteoporosis. Sylvia sells her cards at our monthly meeting and they are very popular.

Future Events

Feb 15th	Day of dance, Oxford
Feb 23rd	Come to Italy day
Mar 1st	B & Q Day, Denman College
Mar 1st & 11th	Egg Decorating with Christine Whild
March 3rd	Speakers selection day, Cassington
Mar 18th	New Age Curling, Kidlington
April 14th	Day out to Nottingham

NEXT MEETING
7.30pm Thursday 18 February
History of Thorntons Chocolates
Colin Steele
Members Social Time
Denman College: Teaching Block
Visitors welcome - £3 voluntary contribution

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MARCHAM SOCIETY MIDWEEK WALK

Thursday, February 4th 2010.
For this month's walk we will eat at The White Hart Inn (Map Ref SU493894) in Harwell village at 12.30pm for lunch and 1.30pm for the walk of about 4½ miles towards Hagbourne Hill, with a possible shorter alternative of about 3 miles.
New walkers are very welcome - start the year in good company. Members free, non-members £1. Ring Eric Dunford on 391439 for lifts and details.

MARCHAM REMEMBERED

A village in pictures

The Marcham Society would like to thank everyone who came to the exhibition in November and made it such a great event. We have been overwhelmed by the success of the book and have had very complimentary comments about it both from villagers and local historians. If you haven't collected your copy, take your token to the Post Office or Cumber's Farmshop. If you've mislaid your token contact Sheila Dunford on 391439 who will check that a copy hasn't already been issued to your address and will arrange for a copy to be available for you.

19 - 20 June 2010

Keep it Free
Something's Coming!

MARCHAM PLAYERS

WANTED – someone with good organisational skills to arrange theatre outings for Marcham Players. The person who has undertaken this job for some years is now having to stand down for personal reasons and we are looking for a replacement.
A brief "job description" would be: buy tickets for whichever production is chosen (money spent will be refunded by treasurer); advertise in MADNews/on website; sell tickets; organise transport; collect money for tickets on night; pay money to treasurer. On average, we organise up to six theatre trips a year – mostly to the Watermill Theatre near Newbury. Should you be interested in helping us and/or need more information, please ring Joey Maclean on 01865 391242.

Events for your diaries:-
Feb 5th 'With Great Pleasure' at 7:30 in the Board Room, Manor Farm. Continuing the theme of chidren's books.
Feb 19th AGM at 7:30 in the Church. Wine & nibbles in the interval.
Any enquiries about us will be willingly answered by our Secretary, Joey, on 01865 391242 or, Dave Hutchinson on 01865 391964.
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A horse walks into a pub and the barman says....
Why the long face?

Marcham Remembered is on sale at all Marcham Society meetings - have you got your free copy yet?

The Marcham Society

Mark Davies
Oxford's Historic Waterways: from Legend to Leisure
All Saints' Church *Tuesday 9th February 2009, 7.45pm*

Next meeting 9th March 2010
Members' Evening

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