

THE SCRABBLE EVENING

Our February social event took the form of a Scrabble Evening. About 20 of us assembled at St. Helen's Cottage for the event. As none of the Social Sub Committee had ever been to a Scrabble Night before we had to hastily make up some rules so the rounds were quite short but everyone moved around and got a chance to play against the good and the err less good.!

At half time we enjoyed a finger buffet of Pizza, salad and Chips and it was very much enjoyed by all. The final scores revealed Sandra Adkin to be the winner and she was presented with the usual bottle of Wine from our stocks. Thanks are due to Margaret Barnett and the team for organising the evening and the food.

THE TREASURE HUNT

On Sunday 22nd March we set out on a quest for clues to the Treasure Hunt around Ashby. Tony Green had devised the fiendishly cryptic hints to be pursued and 6 teams wandered the streets of old Ashby in various stages of mild confusion.

We were fortunate as regards the weather. It was a fine and quite warm day for the time of the year and made for a pleasant walk, hither and yon, around the town, which seemed remarkably full of people, most intrigued at the site of us and our clipboards. The route took us from St. Helen's church down South Street, through to Market Street, over to North Street before returning via Market Street, Lower Church Street, the church vard and Mount



Walk to arrive at the home of Tonv a n d Chrissie for the much welcome and rather lavish tea at the end of our travails. Here enjoyed a

sandwiches. of scones and éclairs washed down with quantities of muchneed and refreshing whilst beverages waiting for the various competing teams to drift slowly in. On Tony's return



the marking began in earnest and it must be acknowledged that nobody got full marks (and several got a great deal less!). However, the final score revealed that the winners were the team comprising Sandra and David Adkin, Margaret and Ann Shilton. Barnett So hearty congratulations to them to whom Joan awarded the usual bottle of wine.

It was a great afternoon, full of fun and conviviality to say nothing of good healthy exercise both of muscles and grey matter! Thanks to Tony and Pat for preparing the questions, to the Greens for their hospitality and liquid refreshment, to w e Joan and her team for the tea and to everyone who took part to make such a pleasant success of this event. There is splendid variety $|\hat{a}|$ short video of the event on the Association's website.

Saturday, 9th May: Wed 17th-Tues 23rd June: Saturday, 11th July: Wednesday, 5th August: September: Saturday, 24th October: Monday, 16th November: Wednesday, 9th December:

2015 FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Bluebell Walk (*Booking Form on back page*) Visit to Pithiviers. **Bastille Day Pétanque Croquet Taster Evening** To be decided The Grand Dads Barbers Shop Quartet (See Overleaf) Annual General Meeting Christmas Walk and Lunch

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE							
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Committee Members: Sandra Adkins Margaret Barnett Linda Brown Tony Green David Harris Peter Meadows Winnie Meadows Bill Pratt (Honorary President) Cllr. Geraint Jones (Town Council Rep.) There are still three vacant places on the Executive Committee. If you would like to become a member, please contact Joan or Elaine, above.							

Advance notice : <u>The Grand Dads Barbers Shop Quartet</u> Saturday 24th October at Packington Memorial Hall

Please note this date in your diary. It is the major fundraising event of the year and a real treat.

The Grand Dads Barbershop Quartet formed in the Spring of 2011. They are all experienced singers from five-times British Championship-winning Barbershop chorus **The Grand Central Chorus**, and have featured in many of their shows since.

The Grand Dads Barbershop quartet have just became the **2014 BABS British Sen**iors Quartet Champions at the Birmingham Conservatoire on Sunday 16th November 2014.

There will be a Ploughman's Supper and cake all for the grand inclusive price of £12.50. So make sure all the friends and family know about it to make sure we fill the hall!

A Walk in the Bluebell Woods - Saturday 9th May.

Take advantage of the season to stroll through the Bluebell Woods close by the home of Gill and Carl Read in Whitwick, where you can also enjoy tea and scones all for the modest price of just £5.00 each. We will be setting off from 118, St. Bernards Road, Whitwick at 14:30 and hope to see you there! **Booking form below**.



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	Bluebell Walk Booking Form
	Please book D places for the Bluebell Walk at £5.00 each. I enclose cheque for £
	Name: Tel. Number:
	E-mail address:
	Please cut out and return with cheque made payable to "Ashby Pithiviers Association" to Sandra Adkin, The Nook, 14, Main Street, Swannington, Leics. LE67 8QJ. by Wednesday 6th May.