

## **5 Aug for 9 Aug**

**Whist:** Tonight, Friday August 9, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm, our usual fortnightly whist drive with raffle. Refreshments included.

**Open the Box:** This is still going strong. We now have £382 in the box with only 6 keys remaining. This will have been draw at the Folk evening August 7, and again at the Social evening, August 13.

**Social Evening:** Our next social evening event will be held in the village hall on Tuesday, August 13. Doors open 7pm. Come and have a drink and a natter. Held every second Tuesday in the month. Last month we played 10 pin bowling so come and have a go.

**Garden Party:** Saturday, August 17, you are invited to a Midsummer Coffee Morning, at Village Farm, 4 St Johns Road, by kind invitation of Miss Matthews. From 10.30am, there will be stalls, a raffle, tea and coffee served during the morning. All proceeds in aid of Keech Cottage Hospice and the Methodist Homes for the Aged.

**Treasure Hunt:** On Sunday, September 1, from 2pm at the village hall. All clues are taken from the surrounding village areas and you should travel approx. 12 miles by car to complete the course. Main roads have been avoided so you should be able to get out of your car to seek some answers. Entrance fee is £2 per person and scoring will be based on correct answers, time taken and mileage readings. There will be a prize for the winning car. Some light refreshment will be available upon your return to the hall and the bar will also be open. Contact Chris for further information 01767 640242.

**Split Whiskers:** On Saturday, September 21, back by popular demand, this rock and blues band will be playing at the village hall. Doors open at 7pm, 2 course hot supper, licenced bar, raffle and open the box. Tickets available now from Carolyn 01767 640727.

**Emm Gee 60:** Members met on Wednesday last at Willow Hill Farm for a Garden Party, by kind invitation of their President Mrs J Davison and her husband Guy. Owing to weather conditions they were unable to sit in the garden so were welcomed into their host's home. Tea was served by Mrs Davison assisted by her friends Mrs and Miss Parish.

A raffle was held, winners being Mrs E Lincoln, Mr G How, Mrs J Davison, Miss D Harding, Mr A Buck, Mr R Fox, Mrs P Burley, Mrs D Burley, Mrs E Edwards, Mrs P Buck, Mrs H Hardwicke.

The chairman, Mrs C Rawlins, thanked Mrs Davison for her kind hospitality and presented her with a bouquet of flowers in appreciation.

The next meeting of the club will be held on Wednesday, August 28, in the village hall at 2.30pm

**Bingo:** Held Friday last, August 2, at the Village Hall. A good turn out of 22 players led to an enjoyable evening for all. There were cash prizes, a raffle and Open The Box. Mrs Jackie Bird won the draw for Open The Box but unfortunately her chosen key did not open the box. This now contains £382 and will be rolled over to the next event, the Wednesday Folk evening, August 7.

**Summer Garden Party:** Held last Saturday at 64 Blunham Road, by kind invitation of Ken and Mel Ebbage. There was a BBQ, some fantastic cupcakes, an ice cream parlour, games, including putting and Boule and a raffle. The Boule competition was won by Jane Beharrell and Ron Whitlock .

We were entertained with some live music by 'N'ukes' a ukulele quartet. The event was well attended by more than 50 people and a grand day was had by all. A really big thank-you to everyone who turned out to setup and run stalls on the day as well as the BBQ. Also a big

thank-you to Mel and Ken for providing such a delightful venue for this event. Monies raised are in aid of St John's Church.

**St Johns Church:** There will be no service at the Church on Sunday. Instead members of the three Benefice Churches will be joining in the annual Songs of Praise Service at the Danish Camp, Willington. Music will be provided by the Willingtones Band. All are welcome to join in.

**Church Services:** St John the Evangelist – no service  
Danish Camp, Songs of Praise, 11am