

## EFFINGHAM VILLAGE DAY

Notes of the Village Day Committee held on Monday 7 July 1997 at 8.00 pm at the Methodist Church Hall.

<u>PRESENT:</u>	Gill Walker	(In the chair)
	Beryl Eisenegger	(Secretary)
	Trevor Faris	(Treasurer)
	Freda Holt	(Over 60s)
	Barbara Rombach	(Methodist Church)
	Maddy Hewitt	(Our Lady of Sorrows RC Church)
	Rosemary Gibb	(Inner Wheel - Bookham & Horsley)
	Chris Boughey	(Assistant Treasurer/Scouts)

1. The Secretary of the EPFA had written to Gill Walker with regard to the state of the KGV Hall on Village Day morning. There had been a lack of communication with the Dart Club who had hired the Hall the previous night and had left the hall in a very untidy manner. It had taken several members of Maddy's tea team and Peter, the Caretaker, to tidy and sweep the Hall before it was ready for use. As a gesture of goodwill, the Secretary had enclosed a cheque for £100 for the Village Day appeal, for which the Committee expressed their thanks.

2. Village Day Comments

Maddy Hewitt stated that she and her ladies did not wish to be in charge of the teas again. It was very hard work and they had been busy all day and felt that another organisation should be responsible next time. Thanks were expressed to Maddy and her team for all their hard work.

Ann Collins had mentioned that she had asked to have all the Guides/Brownies stalls together, but it had not been appreciated that she also wanted to be near the Red Cross tent. Hence some of her stalls had been placed on the far side of the arena to encourage children and parents to walk all around the area. It appeared that she had a lot of children to help her but not perhaps enough adults.

The Howard of Effingham School put on a singing and tap dancing display in the Hall which had been much admired and the pupils and staff were to be congratulated upon a magnificent performance.

The Art Exhibition had a large display of paintings which had been well presented and set up. A number of paintings had been sold which was encouraging for the Group.

Candy Tracey with her Wildlife Portraits also did well and proved a popular stall.

Rosemary Gibb had been asked whether the Committee thought a later starting time would be appropriate, perhaps 2.00 pm, so visitors could have their lunch before coming. This would affect the BBQ and perhaps the teas so it was left for a future Committee to decide if it needed to be changed. The feeling was that 12.30 pm was a reasonable time to start.

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3. Grateful thanks were extended to all, particularly to the Rugby Club for their sterling work with the BBQ and to the attendants at the gates, particularly the Car Parks. A lot of extra revenue had been raised by covering all the entrances, including the one by Howard Court which had previously been neglected.

4. Trevor presented some accounts, showing a total profit of £2,479.91 with £125.00 still outstanding.

Thanks were passed to Trevor and Chris Boughy for collecting and counting the money on the day.

5. Programme advertisements were well up on previous years and it was thought that even more might be sold for the Millennium Village Day. It was suggested that a written note should be sent to potential advertisers asking them for their support.

The printer printed the programme free, as it did not exceed 5 x A4 pages. Our thanks were passed for his generous donation. Perhaps next time we ought to publish his name and acknowledge his donation.

Alison Parsons was also thanked in her absence for her contribution of time and effort with the publicity posters which had been very successful. Our thanks also to Mr Lake who had printed the posters free.

The press coverage had also been good and included County Sound Radio. Thanks to Beryl for organising this.

6. After discussions, the following amounts were agreed to be given to those organisations who had applied for donations from the Village Day. Cheques have since been sent.

Howard Court for a shed to house tools for their new allotment	£250
British Legion to help provide a children's play area (The British Legion would advise us if this was not going to be used for this specific area)	£250
Button Box to buy books for their library	£100
King George Pre School Group to purchase 4 mats	£250
St Lawrence School to go towards purchasing computers	£350
Guides/Brownies for new wash tents	£350
Scouts for the hire of the marquees on Village Day	£175
King George V to purchase either a bench or crockery*	£350
Methodist Church towards new ventilation	£350
	£2,425

\* Agreed at a meeting of the KGV to change to a piano as this was felt to be more of a priority.

It was agreed that any remaining money would be sent to Cherry Trees as in previous years.

7. Clive Mott closed the meeting with a vote of thanks to Gill Walker for all her hard work over the past few months.

The next Village Day would be in the year 2000 and the Millennium Committee would be organising this.

Thanks also to Beryl Eisenegger who acted as secretary very efficiently.