

SHURDINGTON

Saturday 16th August 2008

- Firstly apologies for the mission submission last Saturday; looks like its still going round the Ethernet with my e-mail.
- The recent Cotswold Fuchsia and Pelargonium Society Annual Fuchsia show at The Social Centre went very well. Plenty of exhibits there, some really good shows and the usual regulars and some new people attended.
- Talk about flowers, the local Gardening Society is having their Annual Show today Saturday 16th from 2.30pm. Admission 50p, and children free if accompanied. This being held in the Social Centre. Judging by previous efforts this promises to be a great show of what one can do with seeds, soil and water, and some imagination. There will also be the usual competitions for children. More details from any members of the Gardening Society. Admission 50p. Accompanied Children free.
- Much as society tries, there are still living amongst us morons who think that stealing someone's treasured items is a joke. Well, whoever you are I can guarantee none of us are laughing but we do shed a tear for your misspent life. Several house number and house names, some treasured for many years by the occupiers, went missing last week. I did see a few in Bishop Road mostly broken and so sorry for the residents involved in the houses concerned. Grow up a get a life whoever you are. Do your parents realise what a moron they have in their family?
- The WI are having a fund-raising Coffee Morning at Betty Rout's house on Tuesday the 19th August, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, with Bring & Buy and Raffle, entrance £1 to include coffee & cake.
- Play Gloucestershire's next session is on Thursday 20th August from 10am to 5pm and will be the last session for the time being. Further details are on our village website. Just turn up and register yourself with their Team Leader.
- Our Essex Jamboree team arrived back couple of weeks ago at 4.30pm after what appears to have been a superb week of fun, making new friends, learning new things, taking part in just about everything going; a week not easily forgotten. They made some very good Nigerian friends who were also invited to have dinner with them. We are lucky to have with us here in Shurdington a super team of young people of all ages from 6 to 18, and also blessed with some adults who give up so much of their time for the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers. There is always room for more though especially come September to help with Beavers and Cubs. Taking up uniform in the Scout Movement could not be easier. All you need is a love of children and some enthusiasm; we will do the rest, provide some training, give all the necessary help with programme planning and running a Section, and making sure you enjoy the experience. Having been in Scouting for over half a century myself I assure anyone interested in joining us, this is not a vain promise. The three Leaders on the week's camp Louise, Steve and Marie have brought back some good photos and videos, besides a wealth of memories, and these I will slowly put on the website. One in particular is a new mini Cheese Rolling game which appears to have gone down very well on camp, and may end up becoming one of our traditions here. After all we are not far from the real thing. This, thanks to one of the parents who donated some local cheeses; thanks Philippe. Next International camp for our Scouts to look forward to is Denmark in 2009. Details on our Website.
- Cotswold Astronomical Society had their monthly meeting in the Millennium Hall last weekend. This is for members only, but prospective members will be welcome.
- Any news for this column will be appreciated.