

SENIOR CITIZENS' EVENING 21st June 2014

I am delighted to tell you that that this year's Senior Citizens' was another resounding success, only made possible with the help of some of the HVRA Committee and members of their families too. The Village Hall looked really pretty with beautiful red geraniums on each table, with napkins to match. A small team of very helpful ladies spent several hours assisting me in the kitchen preparing the plentiful and varied buffet prior to our guests arriving, although it was a race against time as there was so much to organise.

It was a gloriously sunny evening and at about 5pm everyone began arriving. Soon 70 people were being welcomed by our Co-Chairman, Angus Idle, who had been looking forward to greeting everyone. A welcome sherry or juice was offered to set the mood and there was a lovely buzz of chatter as old friends met up with each other.

After the buffet was eaten and the wine that had been bought in France was drunk, the entertainment commenced. Our convivial Master of Ceremonies for the evening, Al Bowyer, took great pleasure in introducing The Lamp House Singers, a close harmony ensemble of 10 young ladies who have a passion for singing. They sang a medley of songs from many of London's West End

Musicals, as well as old standards and some jazzy numbers, sometimes in harmony or as soloists. Two young singers were introduced who sang beautifully, either on their own or as a duet, several emotional songs from Miss Saigon.

The Lamp House Singers were excellent and, judging from the numerous cards and phone calls that I have received, I think everyone else agreed as the extracts given below show.



What a treat we had! If you have never attended this event before, please think about coming along next year when you will be wined, dined and entertained too – and not have to pay a penny!

Rosemary Hewitt

"Thank you once again for a very enjoyable evening. The food was excellent and the welcome you gave everyone. It is an evening to look forward to each year. The entertainment was excellent, a good choice of music and the choir looked as if they enjoyed it as we did. Thank you again for a splendid evening."

"We have just returned from a really great evening and would like to thank you, your helpers and all the organisers. The food was so varied and looked very tempting. Julie Gossage and her young ladies enthralled us by their singing and what a stroke of genius to include her son and the young lady who both sang beautifully. Let's have them next year."

"We would like to thank you and the Residents Association Committee once again for giving us all a very enjoyable Senior Citizens' Evening on Saturday 21st June. It was a delicious meal followed by the Lamp House Singers who were excellent."

Mr Speaker kept the right "Order" all day. He accomplished this well.
Thank you Nick Andrews.



Enjoying the ride.



The Wonderful RED BARROWS!



Ready to fly (roll). Stop grinning Clive!



Doing Selfies in Onesies





The Red Barrows. What a display!

Dear John Veysey. First the book, now all this Exhibition (with help from Janet's book)



The Allotment & Garden stall. The children's garden on a plate is on page 30.



Jules looks so pleased.



The ever popular Tea Tent



