

The Haddenham Library

Annual Report 2013/14

The Haddenham Library celebrated 10 years as a voluntary run Library in late October.

Library staff continue to pick up books from the Huntingdon store and are still accepting good quality donations from the public either to replace old copies or for re-sale during fundraising.

We have also been very fortunate to be given a bequest with which we are purchasing more local studies books about Haddenham and the surrounding area. There will also be some improvements to the children's area.

Rosemary and Barrie from the Local History Group continue to catalogue new archive material from an ever-growing amount of new photos and information received.

Barrie has again made up several Memory Boards over the year. Recently, these include a montage of material regarding World War One. Unfortunately, they will not be staging an exhibition due to the cancellation of Blossoms & Bygones.

Last May, staff again opened the Library for Blossoms & Bygones from the Victorian era for display with lots of memorabilia on display. There was a lot interest with at least 160 people coming into the Library. We also held a book sale and displayed the scrapbooks, which are always very popular. Queen Victoria and her ghillie gave us a certificate for our hard work, which is displayed in the Library with her picture!

We also manned a table at the AVC Table Sale.

In conjunction with the Haddenham Local History Group, we are also planning to hold another picture show on 29 April at the School. The Picture Show will be feature Haddenham people and landscapes.

HARP, continues with several members each month, reviewing both new and older novels monthly.

Fifteen children completed last year's Reading Challenge. Many of the children were much younger again, ranging from 3-9 years old. They did really well.

The challenge finished with a party at the end of September with medals and certificates being presented to the successful children, followed by activities and refreshments. Parents are always very appreciative of the work library volunteers put into this challenge

On behalf of the Friends and Volunteers I would like to thank the Parish Council for all their support.

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