

2017 Summer Newsletter

Manor Trust
Bedhampton
Heritage & Care



50 years' young!

Dear Members and Friends

Thank you to the many Members, Friends, staff and volunteers who attended our 50th Anniversary year AGM. We were delighted to see you and to introduce our two new trustees Rhona Stokes and Jeff Wilson. In this 50th Anniversary Summer Newsletter we celebrate 1st July 1967 when The Manor Trust was founded by Bernard Stanley and the late Cynthia Hoy and we share some aspirations for the future.

On Sunday 2nd July 2017, Bernard, together with over 40 Members, Friends and active supporters celebrated with Champagne in the Waterloo Room. It was a very happy occasion attended by our Patron Lord Richards with Lady Richards. Bernard cut a celebratory cake and Susan gave a brief resume of the Trust from inception to the present day.



Left Bernard cutting the cake under the watchful eye of our Patron Lord Richards and Angela Maxwell, the late Cynthia Hoy's daughter with Bernard. Angela and her husband Max are keen supporters of the Trust and we were delighted to see them on this very special day.

The toast, "To the Founding Trustees and to a Long and Happy Future for the Manor Trust Bedhampton". Lady Richards congratulating Bernard >



The Co-Founder, the late Mrs Cynthia Hoy SRN was with us in spirit and we all felt that she would have been proud of the achievements of the charity since its inception 50 years ago and of the Bedhampton Historical Trust set up with her generous legacy, which goes from strength to strength under the curator Margaret Stanger's guidance and the hard work of the other volunteers Jill Munden, Alan Palmer, Nigel and Wendy Gossop. The trustees thank you all!

The Annual Art Show held in the Waterloo Room over the last May Bank Holiday weekend was a great success and well attended.

Here is Bernard with his god-daughter Jo Cameron, the organiser of the event. Jo has organised past Art Shows for us and made sure that we are well advertised in the May Arts Trail Brochures and collates the artists forms for showing. She ensures that she is always there on both the receiving and the hanging days.

This year behind the scenes was co-ordinated by Nigel Gossop and the bulk of the administration was directed by trustee Sue with Wendy Gossop undertaking the mailing and the numerous general administrative tasks that such an event accords.



The Trust owes a debt of gratitude to all mentioned above and to the many volunteers, including artists who serve teas and cakes, sell pictures, portfolios, cards and crafts and attend the all-important door.

On the left Adrian Drake gave a demonstration of his considerable stone masonry talents on the front lawn and was grateful for the gazebo as it rained quite a lot of his time there on the Bank Holiday Monday. Adrian has been coming to the Art Show for the past few years and has many admirers.

Sponsor a Waterloo Room CHAIR!

A BIG thank you to all who have already Sponsored a chair for the new look Waterloo Room.



If you would like to sponsor a chair for the Waterloo Room your donation of £25.00 would be received with grateful thanks. 40 chairs have so far been sponsored and our aim is to be able to have all 50 chairs sponsored by the end of our anniversary year. Forms are in the Elms library and donations may be posted in the honesty box.

This year has seen a Lodge resident Bob Steel and his family donate many plants and gardening implements to the Lodge plus the newly planted hanging baskets that can be seen outside the front door. Bob is pictured here with trustee Sue who gave her thanks to Bob and his family for their very generous donations.



OUR NEXT PROJECTS WITH YOUR HELP

The Elms, has now had the ugly telephone wires removed from the front of the building as a precursor to renovating the rest of the exterior of the building. Please help us to bring the Elms back to its former glory by donating a gift, however small. This may be done through our website www.manortrust.org.uk. See under 'fundraising tab'. Or just send your donation to the Administrator 2 Lower Road Bedhampton PO9 3LH, cheque payable to Manor Trust Bedhampton.

The Lodge, requires updating and we are looking to provide a new BATH HOIST. Any donation towards this would be gratefully received and again the website is the easiest means to donate, please mark your donation 'Bath Hoist'. Alternatively, please hand in a donation to the Lodge Manager, who will ensure that your gift is marked 'Bath Hoist' for the Lodge, before handing it to the Administrator.

What are we doing next?



The Garden Party Wednesday 2nd August 2017! Do come and bring a friend to sample homegrown produce, homemade cakes, scones to go with the cream teas and browse the many stalls and pick up a bargain. Better still if you could help us by making a cake/s, serving at the stalls or tea tent we would be delighted to hear from you. Please ring Nigel on 07793805157 or just turn up and offer your help. Venue 'The Elms' 2 Lower Road Bedhampton PO9 3LH.

Raffle prizes gratefully received- Ring 023 9248 4444. Car parking in Bidbury Mead car park PO9 3JG, a short walk away.

With very best wishes and grateful thanks to all our supporters.

We hope to see you at the garden party,
From the Trustees, *Bernard, Sue, Rhona and Jeff*