

Autumn Newsletter 2016

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What a wonderful summer we have had. Many visitors commented again on the beautifully kept Lodge garden.

And this year many visitors could purchase fruit and vegetables, left on a table by the front door. We know how successful this has been by the amount collected in the 'honesty box'.

Thank you to all who used this facility.

Favourable comments too were made by visitors to the Elms garden and the colourful plants and flowers seen this year have been appreciated by us all

Dear Friends

The Manor House

The trustees are pleased to report that the Manor House has finally been sold, after three years of being on the market. We have been busy disposing of last minute items including sadly, some books that were destroyed by a leaking garage roof in a Manor garage. Fortunately, there are plenty of other good books left for the SBS to sell.

Completion of the sale is on 11th November 2016. We have been informed that the new owners want to make the Manor their family home. This is indeed good news and we look forward to seeing the new owners settled in soon.

This summer at The Lodge we lost a very good 'Friend' of the Trust of many years standing, Mrs Joy Perry who didn't quite make her 100th birthday. Followed quite quickly by Mrs Violet Strugnell who passed away just before her 105th Birthday. Also, passed away recently are: Jean Allen, Betty Hoyle and Mary Harfield all of whom are very sadly missed.

The Elms

The 'Christmas Coffee Morning' is to be held on Wednesday November 30th in the Waterloo Room, 10am to 12noon.

It is hoped to welcome as many of you who can attend. It will start at 10am and finish at 12noon. The entrance fee of £2.00 will include a cup of coffee and a homemade mince pie or a slice of delicious homemade cake. Of course, you are always welcome to have a second cup and more cake!

This year we are pleased to welcome back Sue Strange who will have some very popular homemade Christmas decorations for sale. Her items in the past have sold quickly and so be sure not to miss the chance of a purchase this year!

There will be plenty of coffee, tea, mince pies and homemade cake made by Wendy at The Lodge!

We are grateful to Rhona Stokes and our usual volunteers for taking on the arrangements for the event and to Nigel for his help.

In 2017 it is the 50th Anniversary of the Manor Trust!

And there will be some commemorative items for sale at the Christmas Coffee Morning!

**A
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at
The Elms

Wednesday 30 November
10am - 12am

Admission: £2.00
includes coffee or tea
and a mince pie

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Homemade Cakes ★ Home Grown Produce
Hamper Raffle ★ Tombola ★ Christmas Crafts
★ The Secret Bookshop ★

In aid of
**The Manor Trust, providing excellent care for the
elderly in Bedhampton**

The Elms, 2 Lower Road, Bedhampton, PO9 3LH
Free parking at nearby Bidbury Mead Recreation Ground

The Elms Office

On 1st November 2016, we were pleased to welcome Valerie Moller, our new Trust Administrator.

Valerie is an experienced charity administrator and comes well recommended. She will be in the Elms Office from 0930-1230, Monday to Friday. We hope that she will enjoy working with us at the Trust. Tel: **02392 484444** or email: trust.office@manortrust.org.uk. If you have an email, please let us know so that we can email the newsletter to you.

The Ante Room

Thanks to your generous support of the Bedhampton Historical Collection and the Secret Bookshop, we have been able to commence refurbishing the ante room adjacent to the Waterloo Room. More about this in the next Newsletter.

2016 Garden party



At this year's garden party, we welcomed our local MP Alan Mak, seen here with Kath Haughton on the cake stall. The weather was sunny, but the wind became a little too boisterous when guests and staff had to hang on to the marquees to stop them from blowing away! They were eventually taken down.

Another happy event in the Elms garden with many people coming to support us. Thank you all for your help and support.

Thanks, also to the Lodge staff, Wendy, her sister and college tutor for serving teas, cakes, scones and clotted cream. Mr Stanley won the coveted homemade cake, superbly iced by a Lodge member of staff.

Sunday 11th September was Heritage Open Day and the display 'A Postcard from Bedhampton' was a great success. There was a steady flow of visitors throughout the day with some people bringing along additional Bedhampton related photographs which were copied for the collection. Thank you, to all who came to help.

The BHC 13th September



On the left was a much-awaited **audience with Stella Rutter** on 'Tomorrow is D day' Stella talked about growing up in Bedhampton and her unique career as a draftsman working for Vickers on the Supermarine Spitfire and the twist of fate that gave her such an unusual role on the eve of D Day.

Projector and Screen for the BHC

Nigel has secured a projector and screen from Nicki Conyard at Havant Borough Council and at her request he applied for £500 worth of funding to purchase BHC's own equipment to make them self-sufficient at the evening talks.

Another date for your diary - Craft Making Day on Saturday 12 November

Jill is gathering together the workshop leaders for the day and promotion has started. This was a very successful day last year so do come and see what it is all about.

The Lodge

As you know the Trust offers 24hour care at The Lodge by well trained, kind and long serving staff. Jacqui, Tania and their team of carers gained an overall "good" at the last inspection, which was carried out using the new inspection criteria and the trustees congratulate Jacqui and all staff on achieving this prestigious mark.

If you or a friend would like to look around the Lodge and speak to some residents, please telephone Jacqui our Registered Manager on, **02392 452644** or alternatively email - lodge.manager@manortrust.org.uk Or go to the website www.manortrust.org.uk.



Our website has a printable Lodge Brochure and a link to the latest CQC report and we welcome all enquiries. We may just have a room vacant when you call, or you or someone you know may join our waiting list. Don't be shy, we offer best care practices and good home-cooked meals with home grown vegetables from the garden. We have resident led activities to suit everyone.

The Luncheon Club meets every Thursday and a tasty meal is guaranteed. Should you or a friend wish to participate or help in any way please contact Margaret on 02392 619152 or Bernard on 02392 483240.

We hope to see you at the Christmas Coffee Morning on Wednesday Nov. 30th. 10am.

In the meantime, very best wishes from the trustees,
Bernard Stanley, Susan Maclaurin-Pratt, David Sweetman

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