

Memorial Hall Anniversary Weekend

On the 31st January/1st February the Goxhill Memorial Hall Committee celebrated its 90 year anniversary with an Open weekend at the Hall.

There was a display by Kevin Stillyards that recognised our local War Dead from the First World War and who are named on the Hall remembrance plaques. Kevin has been researching these men for the last 5 years and is currently extending his research to include the survivors of the War and their stories.

Other displays included the Second World War memorabilia that has been collected by Mr. Ron Parker along with his extensive USAAF collection, books and videos and information on the American War Memorial on the airfield site and Mr. Maurice Brawn's collection of beautiful embroidered postcards that his relatives had sent home from France during the First World War. These 3 displays certainly brought home the personal cost of war and visitors said how poignant they found them.

The Guides and The Women's Institute provided interesting displays of memorabilia from over the years and drew many people interested to look through their albums and photographs. Both of these wonderful institutions would love to increase their members from the village.



Shona McIsaac MP

Goxhill Primary School had worked on a thrilling display where the children had written diary entries as though they had been evacuees and the School Choir were up on the stage and gave a brilliant performance of War Songs that everyone thoroughly enjoyed. Committee member Jill Kirby displayed the Goxhill Pre-School memorabilia and The Mother and Toddlers Group also had a very colourful and inventive display.



Mr Frank Thompson

Penny Carnell and Anne Burford ran a very busy "cafe" with homemade cakes and scones and Enid Girdham ran a Tombola stall that did so well that it had to be completely re-stocked for our second day!

Charlie Guillatt gave a display of old wood-working tools and showed photographs of wooden items that he had made including a marvellous carousel and the wagons to transport it.

Albums of Goxhill School photos through the years and albums from the Goxhill Amateur Players were displayed down the length of the room and caused much laughter, surprise and interest from the many people trying to pick themselves out from 20, 30 and more years before.

The Bowling Club and Snooker Room also displayed trophies and memorabilia and would also love to hear from anyone who is interested in participating in the sports.

Slimming World, one of the newest groups using the Hall held a display and provided some lovely calorie-conscious chocolates for visitors to try. A vintage Tractor was displayed outside and drew attention from the public even before opening time. Union Jack flags were displayed outside courtesy of Mr. Parker.

The attendance was exceptional with continuous crowds of people throughout both days. Local MP Shona McIsaac popped in on Saturday afternoon and said that she had thoroughly enjoyed the event.

Open Day for Childcare Courses

The Adult Education Service is holding an Information and Advice session for anyone interested in childcare courses. Come along and talk to our tutors!

Friday 20th March 2009

Brumby Adult Community Learning Centre

10am -2pm

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