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# Newsletter Autumn 2012



## 25th Anniversary

On Saturday 26 May over 100 people gathered for a service at St Mark's Church in Bedford to celebrate our 25th Anniversary. It was wonderful to see so many friends-people who are currently involved with our projects and those who have moved on to new pastures.

The service was led by Professor John Wood, Chair of Trustees, and supported by current members of staff and trustees.

The souvenir/order of service booklet gave lots of information about the history of the Stables and was kindly donated by "Laser Printing Solutions" We had a fabulous cake kindly made and decorated by Sue.



## Meanwhile

Back at base our teams have been very busy as always. It has been a very thin year for almost all our crops and we have been grateful to those who have donated surplus fruit, lavender etc, to bolster our supplies. Our preserves are still very popular and the support team is working hard to keep up the production, especially after we had to say good-bye to Cathy in the summer. We wish her well in her next venture. The craft department made bunting for the Jubilee and experimented with some new bead jewellery, as well as our all our usual lines.

## Coffee Shop

We have our coffee shop open till the end of the year, on the first Saturday of the month.

Open from 2-4.30pm you will find a range of home made cakes and refreshments. Also available are the shop (selling craft and preserves) and plant stall outside. The woodland walk is a wonderful way to end your peaceful Saturday afternoon.



## Renovation

The moat was dredged at the start of the year to remove 20 years of very smelly silt. The Rectory was spruced up with paint and the Thursday team laid a concrete path to make a safe walkway between the two buildings.



## Signage

We completed our facelift with new signage-this will help new visitors find us without driving past and missing the turning!!



## Members of Staff

This year's summer student helpers included Sarah and Holly.

We would like to welcome Becky as the most recent member of our team



**Our Shop is Open**  
Most Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays  
From 9.30am to 3.30pm

**Coffee Shop**  
Open 1st Saturday in month  
May to December  
2.00pm to 4.30pm

