



September 2012

WHAT A WONDERFUL DAY IT WAS!

After a year of planning and preparation, the sun shone on KSM on 4th June and we hope that you will all agree it was a memorable day! Thanks to **EVERYONE** who generously supported this event during the past year and on the day. We can all be proud that we celebrated the Diamond Jubilee in style and firmly put KSM on the map as far as celebrations in Wiltshire were concerned! Following the event the Committee received some wonderful letters, emails and messages of thanks from many people and we would like to say how much we appreciated these.



SPECIAL THANKS

Extra special thanks go to the following people for their contribution to the main events that took place on the day:

- **Rev Sam Rushton** for conducting the church service, judging the fancy dress parade and for all her help during the day
- **James Gray MP** for judging the children's fancy dress parade
- **Roy's Band of Random Ringers** for ringing the bells of St. Michael and All Angels
- **Debra Low and helpers** for the wonderful catering and organisation of the children's lunch
- **Helen, Simon and team at The Jolly Huntsman** for organising the Over 60s Luncheon and the bar

- **KSM WI members** for providing a wonderful afternoon tea and **Chippenham Town Band** for the entertainment
- **Colin Labouchere** for the go-kart race scrutineering and judging
- **Bruce Low** for the tug of war and **Roger Sealy** for the boules tournament
- **KS2 pupils of KSM School** for singing Diamond Day & Land of Hope and Glory (live on BBC TV too!) and to **Colin Labouchere** for providing the sound system

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

A Jubilee evening will be held on **Sunday 23rd September** from 7.30-9.30pm in the Village Hall. Refreshments will be provided (kindly organised by the Shop Committee with all proceeds going to KSM Village Shop). As well as providing an opportunity to reminisce about the June celebrations, the Jubilee Committee plan to:-

- Present **income/expenditure** of the village Jubilee event and confirm **surplus funds available**.
- Get feedback/ideas on how surplus could be used as part of a **Diamond Jubilee legacy for the village**. *Please contact Liz in advance of this date if possible on 758157 or by email, if you have any suggestions. A few ideas have already been received e.g. seeds/bulbs to be planted in Nymph Hay, investment in a Son et lumière (outdoor sound & light show) at Tor Hill and in the church grounds, contribution towards the Jubilee footpath, community shelter at the Rec or even to keep the surplus for future village use. All ideas are welcome and these will be considered by the KSM DJ Committee in due course.*
- **Sell copies of KSM's Jubilee DVD**, kindly produced by Adrian Cole, in aid of KSM's Jubilee Fund, as a special keepsake of the village celebrations held on 4th June.
- **Share photos** taken on 4th June 2012.



TV/RADIO COVERAGE



KSM received a lot of media coverage on 4th June and the **BBC crew** were a pleasure to work with! Liz was interviewed live on BBC Wiltshire Radio whilst BBC Points West broadcast live from KSM at lunchtime, interviewing Cilla and Margaret and also did a live teatime interview with Barbara Tinson.

JUBILEE PHOTOS AVAILABLE ON-LINE

Photos of the village Jubilee celebrations are now on the **village website** and on **KSM Diamond Jubilee's Facebook page**.

COMMEMORATIVE JUBILEE OAK TREE



Earlier in the year, an oak tree was kindly gifted by Will Lawton. We have now received the 4 year old tree which was grown from an acorn produced by the old oak in Halfpenny Field, Yatton Keynell. Options for the best planting location are being investigated - we will keep you posted! The tree will be registered in the Royal Record, a copy of which will be given to Her Majesty The Queen as well as preserving a copy in the British Library for generations to come.

KSM'S QEII FIELD

The Recreation Field in KSM is now a QEII Field, meaning that the field is protected forever from development. The official plaque is now in place.

JUBILEE TIME AFTER TIME

On Friday 1st June 2012, the schoolchildren of Kington St Michael Primary School were proud to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, as part of their **Jubilee Time After Time Project**, with some of the older generation in the community. The **Kings and Queens Day** (*separate to the village Jubilee celebration on 4th June*) included a special Jubilee school assembly and "Right Royal Celebration" exhibition at school and a garden party held at Manor Farm, courtesy of Roger and Gay Sealy. It was a very special and fun day for all the different generations. *A pdf of photos taken on the Kings & Queens Day is available to download on the village website.*



PLEASE VOTE FOR JUBILEE TIME AFTER TIME

Jubilee Time After Time, led by the Golden Oldies charity, is **one of three finalists** in the **National Lottery Awards 2012 Educational category** - thanks to all those who voted in the semi-finals!

As Kington St Michael School participated in Jubilee Time After Time with its successful Kings & Queens Day, we would love to support this project for a National Lottery Award. Voting is **OPEN from 11th Sept until 28th Oct**. See *KSM's village website* or visit www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk/awards.

