

ALDBURY MEMORIAL HALL - ANNUAL REPORT - 2016

We conclude another successful year for our village hall, with the income from hiring covering the day to day running costs and fundraising helping to support our on-going improvement programme. The main fundraiser this year being May Day which raised £1692. Thank you to all our volunteers.

Early in the New Year, we had to unexpectedly replace the industrial cooker in the kitchen at a cost of £1345 plus installation and removal of the old one as it broke beyond repair. We also acquired new kitchen equipment including cutlery, crockery and pans allowing the hall to cater for up to 100 people, as the Hall is becoming increasingly popular for weddings and parties.

Paula, our secretary also set up a web site, Facebook page and twitter account for the hall. The website and Facebook page aim to improve the halls social media presence, to increase the number of bookings of the hall from non villagers and to keep villagers informed of the up coming social events being held in the hall.

Go to www.aldburymemorialhall.org

The hiring of the hall, managed by Kate, has, as usual, been the main successful revenue source for the charity. We are now pretty full in the weekday evenings, but can take more bookings during the daytime slots and on some weekends.

Turning to the many volunteers who do so much for the village and its hall, we must also thank them again for their huge efforts this year.

- the many social events for the villagers, set up and run by various groups including the film club, bridge club, lunch club, over 50's exercise, Brownies
- the hiring of the hall, and marketing it as a venue for clubs, classes, parties, and weddings
- the cleaning and maintenance of the building
- the work done to keep the books and finances of the hall in order
- the communications work on the village website and Facebook page
- the constitutional and regulatory work for the charity

The Trustees of the Charity for the year have been: Andy Dockree (Chairman), Maria Moulsdale (Treasurer), Paula Anderson (Secretary), Kate Carter (Booking Secretary), Clare Juniper, Penny Cobb and Katherine Taylor.

Andy Dockree Chair and Trustee.