



Hello everyone,

Summer has moved on into autumn and with it the season for harvest festivals. Here in Debenham, at the beginning of October, we had a very special event – “Harvest through the Ages”. It was a 2 day exhibition of the most wonderful scale models of farming wagons, carts, and tools which was combined with a magnificent harvest flower display, and displays of “Olden Foods” and locally made traditional walking sticks. Over the 2 days we had more than 500 visitors from across Suffolk. So many thanks to everyone who helped create it, steward it, provide refreshments, publicise it, and everything else. Of course the exceptional weather made all the difference. Our aim was to celebrate harvest and display one of our carer’s (Nic Cass) models for one last time before we try to find them a home in a museum. We did not set out to make it a fundraising exercise so all we did was to put out a basket for donations to Dove Cottage and the project. Imagine our delight when upon tipping the money out we found that it amounted to almost exactly £500 which when added to the donations for refreshments organized by the church and the W.I. gave a grand total of £590. We have put some photos of the models on our website.

Just a few days later we were again unexpectedly delighted when we learnt that the GP practice had decided to support The Debenham Project with a donation of £316 from the refreshments and raffle on “Flu Jab Day”. Also once again, we are most grateful to the Woolpack Quizzers for their very generous donation this month. I am aware that I am always saying how generous our community is, but it deserves to be said – it is true.

If you would like to know more, please think about visiting our website www.the-debenham-project.org.uk where you can access all our newsletters, and much more. Particularly, you can see our latest publication – “This is: The Debenham Project”. If you are a bit unsure how to contact us on the web please call in at The Library Resource Centre, Cross Green, Debenham and ask Melanie or one of her staff to help you.

With my best wishes and kind regards,

Lynden