

Hi everyone,

When Tammy King, whom you will remember from Ruby and the Angel, joined the Debenham Project as one of our trustees and brought her long experience of publicising and advertising her Debenham businesses, she agreed to take on that role for the Project. I must admit that until then our profile and visible presence on Social Media could be best described as "dismal to non-existent". Since then, she has totally changed it to become attractive, lively, informative, positive, timely, and always up to date. If you haven't seen it already it is easy to find by going to Facebook.com on your phone or PC and searching for The Debenham Project. Thank you, Tammy, for an amazing job — It always delights me to see each new posting.

Whilst I have you thinking about the great things that volunteers do, here is another who has been a huge help to so many. Reg Woodard. Reg was one of the earliest members of our Carers Club and Info Café. After lovingly caring for his wife Hazel until she passed away, like many of our family carers he remained part of our "family" and offered his services as a volunteer driver in the very first days of our transport service. Over the years he has taken countless passengers to the appointments at hospitals, clinics, dentists, doctors, opticians, etc. etc. – No way just a driver, but a friend who was always there for them no matter how long it took. And, also, he was always willing to step in at short notice. A little while ago he decided that after so many years that the time had come "retire". I know, Reg, that all those whom you have given lifts to will echo my many, many thanks for all your kindness and for all you have given.

As a community-based project we are so appreciative of how much our financial support derives from the community itself and that we are not dependent on forever chasing grant funding. This month my special thanks go to the family and friends of Carole Wood for the very generous donations made in her memory, and to The Bowls Club for their gift of £200 – so appreciated.

Finally, look out for our "1960s Party" at the Leisure Centre on November 21<sup>st</sup> – Details on our website and Facebook.

Very best wishes, Lynden