



Shalford Diamond Jubilee Celebrations 2012

Friday 1st June

Come for a Cuppa – Shalford Primary School

Weekend commenced at 2.30pm with an invitation to Shalford Primary School to join the children, of whom 10 had return to the school on a day off to prepared scones and sausage rolls under the tuition of a professional Chef.

25 residents attended and enjoyed eating the children’s effort, some 100 items, Kate Ward stated the children had all washed the hands before attempting the cooking. The Queens original Coronation film from 1953 in colour was displaying whilst an old fashioned Beetle Drive took place, all had slight apprehension in the beginning until we all got into the swing of things. Those that attended had a great afternoon.

Saturday 2nd June

Country Parish Walk



25 residents arrived bright and early for 9.15am start at Shalford Village Hall for the Country Parish Walk, splitting into two separate group’s, one trekking across the field to Water Lane, Jaspers Green, and another group going via Nichols Farm, Iron Bridge and Water Hall Lane.

Arriving back at the hall in time for teas and donated cream cakes.

Youngsters Football Training

11.00am saw the arrival of Donald Duck to lead the Professional football training for the under 12’s

They were grateful for the cream cakes leftover from the walkers





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St Andrew's Parish Church Jubilee Flowers



All the flowers for the Jubilee Celebrations based on White and Blue donated by a London Florist and arranged by the ladies of Shalford.

If you missed them on the day they should be available for the next two weeks



Help for Hero's Luncheon

Organised by Pamela Westland and held at Water Hall, Water Hall Lane Shalford included not only the lunch but the Felsted School Jazz Players and a fun auction of promises, that raised over £7,000 with Jeremy Nichols as the auctioneer.



Children's Disco

For the under 12's DJ Ned entertained from 6.00pm until 8.00pm at Shalford Village Hall, the hall was decorated with large Union Flags for the occasion



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Sunday 3rd June

St Andrew's Church Oak Tree Planting



On a wet Sunday morning planting of the Jubilee Oak took place after a Special Jubilee Family Service, the tree being provided by Shalford Parish Council. Rev Colin Wilson helped by children



The George Inn Beer Festival – Fancy Dress

This was running over the three day festival with live music in the evenings, unfortunately due to the weather and possibly the Thames River Pageant the 'Kings & Queens' children's fancy dress did not take place.

Jubilee Quiz Night



With kick off at 8.00pm the Sunday evening saw a full house for the fun quiz with all tables taken.

First Prize being Champagne, Pimm's and bottle of wine.





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Monday 4th June

Approaching the Village Hall on Monday afternoon for the village fete it was obvious something special was happening as vehicles were parked almost back to the old recycle centre along Braintree Road and



way pass the local school, plus anywhere on the small village green. The new source of interest seemed to be the Dog Show which was a resounding success with show judge Graham Brace.



With a Beer Bar Tent being supplied by The George Inn, and a Thai BBQ by Kitty & Clive from Shalford Village Stores, most of the crowds stayed well into the late evening to enjoy a Hog Roast and live music.



Thanks must go to Andrew & John Hull for making the metal beacon for the lighting ceremony carried out at 10.15pm.

With Shalford's oldest resident Molly Wright giving a speech and lighting the torch which Lawrence Rawlinson, a long time helper at the village hall, offered to the beacon

Villagers have the Diamond Jubilee Committee lead by Chairman Hugh Davies to thank for an excellent weekend of entertainment

More images within the Photo Album of Shalford Village Web site at www.essexinfo.net/shalford

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