

EVA Interim report July 2014

In this first year, I am working on organising the following:

- Midsummer Madness 2, an evening of music and drama in the garden of 15 Church Lane (though under cover) on Saturday 21st June in aid of EVA and St George's Church;
- a display of morris dancing on Sunday 13th July at The Red Lion, courtesy of Paul and Angie;
- an art/ photography exhibition perhaps with some memorabilia of WW1 later in the year;
- one workshop/ demonstration to enable people to try something out;
- one group visit to a professional or good amateur play/ concert/ dance event.

To make this happen, EVA needs people not just to attend these events but in the following ways.

- I am looking for a small group of people who would be willing to form a committee to consider what best to organise in the future and help organise the events outlined eg by circulating info/ selling tickets as well as helping at the event.
- I would like a group of teenagers to act the drama I have planned for 21st June; they need not live in Evenley so friends etc are welcome. No previous acting experience is necessary. If there are insufficient teenagers interested, I will seek adults or liaise with a local school.
- I need someone who has experience of mounting exhibitions and preferably contacts to help with or at least advise on the exhibition.
- I would be grateful if anyone who might be interested in joining a group to go to a play/ concert/ dance could let me have their names and contact details. My thinking is that booking tickets for the same performance may allow us to get a group discount and should at least allow lift-sharing which may enable people who don't drive to go to such events. Tickets for some performances eg RSC at Stratford sell really quickly so I will need a list of people who would like to be approached. Being on the list is not a commitment to attend.

The ideas above were informed by responses to the Parish Questionnaire undertaken last year. These responses suggested that many people would like a greater range of activities, some of which were opportunities to participate and try things out. If you have other ideas, please let me know.