

CETG ARCHIVE

Amersham Heritage Day

11th September 2017

CETG took a stall at Amersham Heritage Day. The newly-finished bunting was the high point, having its first public appearance and brightening up the stall. The stitching on display focused on workshops, to demonstrate how members can learn new techniques from professional tutors and experienced fellow members. Sadly, the weather was not as kind as last year, being grey and gloomy and ending in rain. As a result, there were fewer people stopping at the stall to find out about our activities. Val and Helen Jenkins had a stall roughly opposite, and they also reported slow business. Holders of both stalls suffered from being close to a beautiful - but very loud - barrel organ!



In general, it seemed that there were fewer craft stalls this year. The numbers of vintage cars and other vehicles remained strong. There were many food stalls, supplemented by the Amersham fruit and vegetable show under the market hall, which was new for 2017. There were many rides for the youngsters ranging from Victorian-style carousel to bungee jumping on trampolines. The loud one was not the only barrel organ, which ranged from hand-turned with (stuffed cuddly) monkeys and turtle (!) to larger, beautifully painted antique machines. All were collecting for charity. A human fruit machine was drawing crowds of children, as were sweet, candy floss and ice cream stands.



In the gardens in front of St Mary's church, a floral model of the show was on display with the market hall, carousel, big wheel and helter-skelter all formed in flowers. A concert was also playing in a nearby marquee.

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