

# CETG ARCHIVE

## Amersham Heritage Day

**11th September 2016**

CETG took a stall at the annual Amersham Heritage Day, and the weather was kind with glorious sunshine bringing out the crowds. There was a funfair and bouncy castles for the children, dozens of brightly polished vintage cars for the motorheads, and a wide range of stalls selling food and drink, displaying handmade items, or demonstrating historic crafts. Music was provided by street organs raising money for charity and everyone seemed to be having fun.

At our stall opposite the Kings Arms we displayed a range of stitched and textile items made by members, together with our scrapbook for people to browse. Many passers-by stopped to chat and some took away a leaflet or expressed an interest in attending a meeting. Let's hope that there are a few new members amongst them.

Closer to the Market Hall, Val and Viki occupied a stylish marquee, shared with Viki's sister [Helen Jenkins](#). It was a bright and cheerful display, dripping with fabric and crocheted handbags, and overflowing with stitched jewellery and brooches, hand-made cards, covered buttons, metal charms and knitted gloves. What's not to like?



Between the two stalls, the [Buckinghamshire Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers](#) were also trying to attract new members. They displayed an old spinning wheel (jealously guarded by Angus the dog) and an array of exotic yarns in luscious colours just asking to be stroked.

Further up the road I found a stall selling an array of textile items, but what caught my eye was a little bowl of silvery charms. I departed the happy owner of a frog, a tiger, a flamingo and a saluki hound.

Both Eileen and I succumbed to the jams and pickles on sale at one stall, I was hard pressed to resist the handmade biscuits on a stall just opposite ours, and somehow a packet of macadamia nuts in dark chocolate found their way into my bag.

Thanks to Terry for organising the rota and setting up the stall, and for forming the morning shift with Sue, and also to Eileen and Liz for their congenial company in the afternoon. We all enjoyed it, and felt that if it succeeded in raising our profile amongst potential members, it was worth doing again. So long as the weather is kind and the rain holds off!

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