



**FASHION SHOW**

What a super evening we had last Thursday at the Edinburgh Woollen Mill Shop in Waterlooville. Sara and her staff treated us royally and gave us a very interesting and fun evening showing off the beautiful outfits their shop provides.

Our thanks to Pauline Kaznowski, John Burch, Rosalie Cuthbert and Ian Long who willingly and very professionally took on the role of modelling some of the outfits, together with staff from the shop.

About 45 people attended the show and we raised another welcome £289 to add to our Funds.



Pauline pretty in pink



Rosalie in an attractive skirt and top



John showing off the red shirt under his jacket



Ian ready for the sun!

**EASTER CHICKS**

The costume department from the 2015 Passion Play have stayed together as a group and meet most Tuesday afternoons in Havant Methodist Church. During the last eighteen months they have taken on a number of projects for local churches and others to either spread the word about HPP (Christmas Angels) or to raise money.

Their most recent venture was to knit some Easter Chicks, which each contained a crème egg. To date these have raised just under £170. Many thanks to the busy knitting fingers and the generosity of those who donated the eggs.

The group is still working on scenes from the Knitted Bible, some of which will be on view in Ss Thomas' Roman Catholic Church, Emsworth, during the weekend of 29th/30th April and 1st May. Do come and have a look at them while admiring the stained glass windows in the church.





### 100 CLUB

The second draw for the 100 Club took place on Friday 24th March. We had sold 64 tickets raising £320, half of which was given out in prizes. The lucky winners were:

First Prize, Pauline Kaznowski £80

Second Prize, Lizzy Gradidge £48

Third Prize, Rev Jonathan Jeffrey £32

Our thanks to all who took part adding a further £160 to HPP funds.

### HPP UPDATE - a plea from our Chair person!

You, our faithful followers, have been most supportive since August 2015 when together we experienced that wonderfully moving event in Havant Park, which was our first Passion Play. We have been working hard since to raise enough money to put on another play in August 2017. The park is booked for 12th/13th August, only 18 short weeks away! As you know we have already held workshops with James Burke-Dunsmore and he has gone away to craft our thoughts, ideas and words into another stunning play, specifically for and by the people of Havant and the surrounding area. We have been putting on many fundraising activities, which you have generously supported. From a balance of £5,323 at the end of August 2016, we now have £13,800 in the bank, plus another £200 recoverable gift aid. We hope to achieve funds of at least £2,000 from fund raising events we already have planned and which you can read about in this newsletter. This, together with regular giving, should achieve about £16,300. We have a minimum target of £20,000 which gives us a shortfall of £3,700.

Is this going to be the straw that 'breaks the camel's back' or the spur to encourage you or your congregation to 'go out and bear fruit'? We are so near our minimum target, we are asking for all the help we can get to help us 'over the line'. The constitution of HPP does not allow us to spend money we do not already have in the bank, can you help us to get to that magical £20,000 mark? Every little really does help, individual contributions can be made direct or via the BT MyDonate link on our website. With thanks and blessings, Jacky Chong Chair of HPP.

### FUTURE FUND RAISING EVENTS

HPP RECIPE BOOK Pauline is compiling the recipes you have already sent her into a book for after Easter.

EMSWORTH ARTS TRAIL 29th/30th April and 1st May - See note under Easter Chicks article on previous page.

FLOWER FESTIVAL 9th-11th June 2017. We have booked Emsworth Methodist Church for a flower festival on the theme of Shakespeare's 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'. No play was ever named more appropriately, as it is a 'dream', a dream composed of elves, mistakes, wild fantasies, fairies and the grotesque. It could be magical, ethereal and Elysian! It's time is night. When the day dawns the shadows flee away, the people awake and all comes right again. Has this captured your imagination? If so can you help us? We are looking for flower arrangers and for people who would like to sponsor them.

For further information please contact Mary Close : [mary.close@live.com](mailto:mary.close@live.com) or your church HPP representative.

TEA DANCE Thursday 6th July 2017 at St Thomas Hall, Havant from 2-4pm. Get out your glad rags and your dancing shoes, the theme is 'Henley Regatta'! Watch this space for further news.