

November 2017 Newsletter

National Libraries Week

On Friday 6th October we held a quiz in the Village Hall. Despite competition from other events we had a very successful evening. Jill and John Hutchinson were our most able Quiz Masters. Raffle prizes were generously donated by Brambles, the Butchers Arms, Carl Woods, the Co-op, Forresters and the Herb Farm. Two Hoots were the Quiz winners and we raised over £500 for the Library Funds.

Writers evening

Unfortunately this event was cancelled due to family illness. We will organize a new date in the Spring of 2018.

Short Story Competition.



In the Library on Saturday October 14th the results of this Year's Competition were announced. Prizes were awarded by the Chair of FoSCL to the Winners and Runners up. Certificates of achievement were also awarded to our able young story writers. This Competition was sponsored by Bewley Homes, Peppard Building Supplies and Vauxhall Garage.

We are in the process of publishing a book of these Short Stories. We are also considering organising another Short Story Competition in the future.

Gift-Aid

FoSCL is a charity recognised by HMRC which gives us tax benefits including the ability to reclaim tax under the gift-aid scheme. Gift-Aid allows us to claim back 25% of donations and subscriptions.

Future Events

AGM

Thursday 23rd November 2017 in the Library 7pm

Come along to find out what we have achieved in the past year and our plans for the future.

The majority of the current committee are happy to stand again for another year, but we do have two vacancies. If you are willing to join the Committee or wish to nominate someone, please contact us at friendsofsonningcommonlibrary@gmail.com. Nominations to be received by 20th November. If you are interested but would like further information please contact us at friendsofsonningcommonlibrary@gmail.com

Craft Dates in December

There will be two Christmas themed Craft mornings in the Library on Saturday 9th December and 16th December. There will also be a Cake Stall on the Craft days.

Seasonal Refreshments

Do join us on Thursday 21st December 2017 in the Library 2pm-5pm for Christmas punch, mince pies and other goodies,

Writers evening

A new date will be announced soon.

You are very welcome to attend all or any of these events.

Membership

Renewals

Our fund raising efforts have paid-off handsomely this year, but we may not be able to match that in the future, so your annual subscriptions will remain the bedrock of funding for new books at the library. If you have been sent a reminder to renew your annual membership but have not yet done so, we would be very pleased to see you at the AGM, when we will be able to take your payment of £10 for the forthcoming year. Many thanks in advance.

Join

If you have not yet joined the Friends of Sonning Common Library, we would welcome your support.