THE **ALKHAM**VALLEY SOCIETY

Protecting the Valley since 1977



Queen's Platinum Jubilee Photos courtesy of the AVS

First a message about the Alkham Valley Society

Founded in 1977, the Alkham Valley Society took as its original aim the preservation of the natural environment and unique character of the Alkham Valley. The Society was formed to act as a pressure group for matters affecting the Alkham Valley, under the chairmanship of Mr Maurice Sayers of Alkham, (now Mark Loveday) in response to people's anger at the destruction of an ancient woodland, including Sladden Wood, and hedgerows in 1977.

- An Annual General Meeting is held in November in the Alkham Village Hall.
- Other activities include an annual visit to a place of interest and the popular Christmas Walk on 27 December.
- The number of members fluctuates, at present (2004) there are 47 paid up members.
- There are no special requirements to joining the Alkham Valley Society besides an interest in the sustaining the best the Valley has to offer.
- The Society participates in the White Cliffs Countryside Project and has membership of the Kent Federation of Amenity Societies, the Council for the Preservation of Rural England and the Kent Wildlife Trust.

If you wish to contact the Honorary Secretary, Mrs J Walker, for further information please do so through the web site.

We are always looking for new membership from the community.

To become a member of the AVS, it is just £5 per year

FYI: 100% of the money from you goes towards the Society. Administrative costs are funded by benefactors, not membership dues.

Now on to the pictures....



01b Clubhouse turned DJ Booth June 5, 2022 at 12:52:26 PM



01a Alkham Cricket Club Village Green as the venue.June 5, 2022 at 12:54:17 PM



01c Bunting up & ready to go June 5, 2022 at 12:54:30 PM



01d Approaching the Action June 5, 2022 at 12:54:36 PM



O1h Catie Webber meeting Irene Barnard's son & friend.June 5, 2022 at 12:55:18 PM



01e Three tables of happy people. June 5, 2022 at 1:13:44 PM



01g Harlan Webber taking photos. June 5, 2022 at 1:13:52 PM



02a Jubilee cakes for judging with Sue & Andrew KooJune 5, 2022 at 1:13:57 PM



01f The "Head" Table June 5, 2022 at 1:14:03 PM



02b Harlan likes sausage rolls & cakes....!June 5, 2022 at 1:14:17 PM



03a "Hey Table 1, Smile for me....!" June 5, 2022 at 1:15:54 PM



02a Getting ready to start. June 5, 2022 at 1:16:52 PM



06f As the results are deliberated, "the crowd goes absolutely mental" June 5, 2022 at 1:28:30 PM



06f "Who will win the best decorated cake award?" June 5, 2022 at 1:28:55 PM



08 Mark Loveday (AVS President) with Margaret & Richard Steinberg, Catie's proud parents from Oz.

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09 Richard in a rare goofy picture... (After a lovely 2 month visit, he never made it back home.) 1932-2022 R.I.P June 5, 2022 at 2:11:50 PM



09a Catie saying hello to Richard's new baby & cute dogs. June 5, 2022 at 2:14:01 PM



08a And the winner is: Catie Webber June 5, 2022 at 2:16:31 PM



08b Catie's Jubilee Cake June 5, 2022 at 2:22:01 PM



08b Catie's Cake (Solid Platinum outside, Victoria Sponge inside) June 5, 2022 at 2:22:05 PM



09b Such a lovely time being enjoyed by the village.

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09c Jo Walker (AVS Honorary Secretary) speaking with Trevor





10b AVS past and present: Judge Richard O'Rorke (Past Chairman of AVS) and wife Jane, with Catie & Harlan Webber, new members.

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11 A pause before the storm... June 5, 2022 at 2:46:36 PM



04a Tables 2 wins "most smiles" contest June 5, 2022 at 1:17:15 PM



01j Cricket pitch on a slope. June 5, 2022 at 1:17:33 PM



05a table 3: most smiles runner-up. June 5, 2022 at 1:18:57 PM



yours too ..!."

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05b "You're taking our photo? I'll take



06a Den Barnard, head of cake security, looks on as.... June 5, 2022 at 1:21:01 PM



06b Irene Barnard starting off the festivities... and cake contest. June 5, 2022 at 1:21:12 PM



06c John Huggins & Andrew Koo keep cakes away from Harlan Webber. June 5, 2022 at 1:21:25 PM



06d Thank you for your lovely cakes, now the WI chooses a winner. June 5, 2022 at 1:21:26 PM



06e Catie Webber (AVS Treas'r), Jo Walker (AVS Sec'y) & Liza Loveday. look on.

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03b The farthest end of Table 1 June 5, 2022 at 1:22:43 PM



04b "It's official:" Neil Burrows, **Alkham Parish Council chairman** June 5, 2022 at 1:22:56 PM



03c Fasr away, underage drinkers don't have IDs....

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12a Because everything went off the rails when the Conga line formed...
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12b Kevin Rolfe "dressed to the nines" as usual (Join Valley Voices Choir (!), open to ALL at Village Hall Wednesdays at 7:30pm)
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12c Conga hips were flying all over the place...!

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14 Alkham Parish Councillor Ruth Marczin-Bundy's mum with Irene June 5, 2022 at 3:24:36 PM



15 And to close it down, we had approval from "upstairs" via The Revd Brian Williams

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