



It has been a very busy summer and autumn for the SHH Fundraising for 4 local hospices in the Chilterns ladies committee.

In July they ran a plant, flowers preserve stall at Speen Fete on one of the hottest days of the year. Fortunately the SHH stand was in the shade. Hildreths in Prestwood donated a large quantity of the plants.

On the 29th July The Chairman of Hypnos Bedding – Peter Keen from North Dean passed away. His wife Judy has been on the SHH committee for many years and she and her family requested that any donations in Peter’s memory be donated to SHH.

In early September the group organised a very successful “Sip and Sparkle” luxury afternoon tea at Speen Festival 2025. It was very well attended with tea, sandwiches, cakes, fizz and chintzy crockery and a quartet entertaining the visitors on a cello, viola and violins.

On the 1st October the first Ladies Autumn Lunch was held in the Sefton Barn, at The Horse Trust. For many years, apart from during the Covid era there has been a Ladies Spring lunch in May at The Horse Trust. The ladies attending the Spring Lunch were asked if they would be interested in an Autumn one. The answer was a definite yes and 60 tickets were sold (the maximum that the barn can accommodate). The £40 ticket covered a complimentary glass of wine and a three course lunch followed by coffee and chocolates.

On the 11th October the second Comedy Night organised by Eliot Wengler at Lacey Green. There were five comedians - headlined by Michael Akadiri, Kathryn Mather, Phil Alexander, Nick Byard and Caitriona Dowden. Over 125 had a great evening out.

The Annual Bridge Afternoon at North Dean has been running for several years in mid October. This year was a very successful afternoon with bridge players enjoying bridge and afternoon tea with sandwiches and cakes.

With Christmas not far away the **Annual Christmas Market is taking place at Speen Church on Saturday 15th November between 11 and 4**. A range of new and familiar stall holders this year. A silversmith with a beautiful range of silver jewellery, new designs in Christmas decorations, luxury chocolates, silver crystals, translucent lamps, Christmas wreaths, sea glass pictures, resin art, beautiful silk scarves, dried flower pictures and of course, the ever-popular homemade cake stall and much more including Christmas cards, tombola and tickets for the Christmas hamper.

\* **Refreshments available** - Bacon Baps, Sausage Rolls, Bucks Fizz, Mulled Wine, Wine, Coffee and Tea

£2 Entrance fee per person - children under 14 Free – Like all these fundraising events all profits are divided up at the end of the year between the four hospices SHH raises much needed funds for. Helen & Douglas House for Children - Rennie Grove and Peace Hospice Care - South Bucks Hospice at Butterfly House - Florence Nightingale Hospice.

If you are interested in raising money by taking part in an event or finding out more about becoming part of our fundraising group at SHH, please contact me at [events@shh-shop.org](mailto:events@shh-shop.org) or on 07778 803260.

For detailed information about all our events check out our website [www.shh-shop.org](http://www.shh-shop.org)

*Gráinne Suter*, Chair SHH

### Windswept Christmas lights.

Unfortunately, we will not be setting up a display of Christmas lights at Windswept this year. You’ve probably seen that the display has increased over the years and the amount of work has become quite extreme. Trevor has recently had major surgery on his back and would be unable to participate in setting the decorations up and so we have reluctantly decided to cancel this year. We will take stock next year and see how feasible it will be for 2026. We would like to sincerely thank everyone who has visited over the years, we hope you’ve enjoyed the spectacle and thank you for your generous donations to BURPS.

*Trevor & Jan May.*



So sorry Trevor! I hope you make a good recovery. Take care., We will miss the lights this year.

*Sonia*