

AGM for MiSMK.

Chairman's Report, from Gary Noakes

April 2014.

- 1 Well, a year later, I would like to say thank you to you that supported and helped me in my role as Chairman. It was a good experience, and I find myself a lot wiser and more understanding of others.
- 2 What a year; with all the media coverage, BBC & ITV on the television, Three Counties Radio & both local Papers - and not just one-offs, so that we're now becoming a household name.
- 3 We have had many major visits, including the following people;
 - A The Lord Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire.
 - B The two Milton Keynes Conservative MP's (North and South), Mark Lancaster and Iain Stewart.
 - C The next Labour South Candidate, Andrew Pakes.
 - D Nick Gibbs from "British Woodworking" magazine, who wants MiSMK to advertise on its pages.
 - F Network rail, who came in to do the lounge, upstairs insulation and more, and were also helpful in moving a lot of stuff for us, which we would of struggled to do.
 - G BARRY GOLDING coming all the way from Men in Sheds in Australia.
- 4 We have had numerous donations from so many people, giving us hundreds of tools and many types of materials, which we are always grateful for!
- 5 We've also had a lot of help from individuals and groups, with a lot of grafting, which has been of tremendous help, as well as

assistance in obtaining Grant Money to get us up and running. These things combined have allowed us to sort out the electrics, take walls up and down, put in doors and a very long worktop for the computers, source the lounge materials, bring natural light and insulation upstairs, and a lot more. Well done to everyone involved.

- 6 One blip is that we sadly lost a good friend, Arnold Smith. Dennis & Brian have decided to finish the plane that Arnold started, and I, for one, would like to watch its maiden flight.
- 7 Kitty has had her maiden run, well done to Steve & all that have helped make this happen.
- 8 The Bird Boxes are well underway to completion; all the cutting of wood is done.
- 9 Thanks must go to all the members of the Steering Committee who have given their time to keeping the show on the road. Also to members such as Frank, John McF, and Mark for keeping the place clean, and countless others who keep us replenished with tea, coffee, milk etc. and organising the workshops. It takes many willing members to keep things going. It's best when everyone plays their part.
- 10 To finish, I am very pleased to say that Peter Gallagher has decided to stand for Chairman, and I know he is the very best man for the job, so please join me in voting for him.

Thank you again.

Gary Noakes, Chairman for 2013\2014.