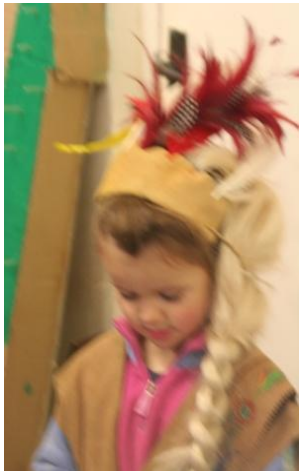


The Treasure hunt for Teddy's loot was done by following clues whilst on horseback, on bike or in a push-chair. 2008.

Pizza was cooked to order and served with lots of goodies and cakes. The day was as cold and wet as some of the worst in 2008 but everyone had the time of their lives and laughter filled the Hall and the Green. On top of this a very generous contribution was raised for the Coronation Hall building fund. With many thanks to all who organised the event and who so valiantly helped keep everyone warm and cosy.



Our stunning Coronation Hall was significantly helped by an award from the Big Lottery in 2009.

MUSIC ON THE GREEN Saturday May 24th 2008

Despite the very windy weather, a lovely evening was had by all - picnicking under the trees on the green, listening and singing to the music of the BAND OF THE PARACHUTE REGIMENT and watching the HISTORIC FLIGHT flypast.



The evening included a bumper raffle with very special prizes including:

A DAYS SAILING ON THE SOLENT FOR 8 PEOPLE

A HOT AIR BALLOON FLIGHT FOR 2 PEOPLE

A DAYS FISHING FOR 2 'RODS'

Unfortunately, due to the high winds, the RED DEVILS were unable to perform their parachute drop



Christmas 2008 - magnificent party in the Coronation Hall.

- It was at this Christmas party that the Parish celebrated the Big Lottery Award.
- We had a good turn-out with children wearing crowns, waving glo-sticks and enjoying the festive food.
- The adults partook of mulled wine, mince pies and lots of singing and celebrations.
- The Hall was decorated for the festive season and Father Christmas came by sleigh across the village green to much laughing, excitement and clapping from all.
- All together this was one of the liveliest of our traditional parties with optimism for the future with even more gatherings when our new hall is built. Our plans are ambitious but that is how we have always been!



**GRAFTON PARISH CHRISTMAS
PARTY DECEMBER 21st
6pm CORONATION HALL**



We look forward to seeing you for all the usual festive features and more..... Free for all Parishioners. If you have family and friends staying then do please bring them along See www.graftonparish.com for the latest information. Call Gale on 01672 810673 if you can help or to deliver donations towards the raffle/tombola. Nothing more needs to be said about this fabulous annual event!



Mammoth mushroom foray October 7th 2007

What a huge success this was... just look at the pictures to witness the variety of fungi found and the fun had identifying, cooking and eating!!

Everyone gets ready to leave for the Savernake forest.



Next the harvest found above was prepared for the pot on our return.



Cooking was just as much of an outdoor experience as the gathering had been.

Now this was even heavier than it looks... and that is **HEAVY** especially for a fungi which had spent most of its existence hanging from a tree..... just like this!!

On the other hand - what about this edible fungi which had to be dug out from deep inside the base of the tree... each huge handfull was both heavy and full of



In fact just look at how many tables will filled with all the various fungi

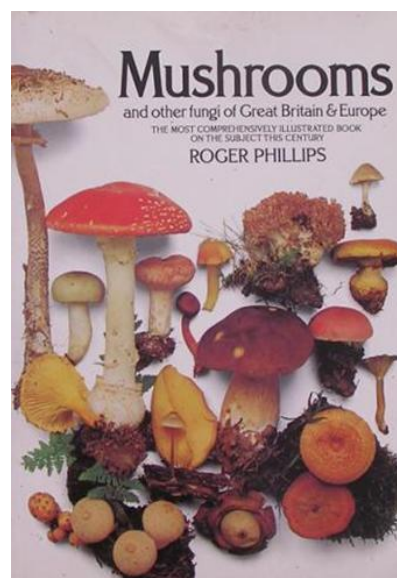
<- So how many fungi did we all collect? This is one table of varieties gathered.



All together a most excellent day was had by all...

If you are looking for some protein... what about this beefsteak fungi then?

A HUGE thankyou to all those kind people who put in so much work to make the day a success. The food and organisation was superb and the contribution made by our very humorous and knowledgeable guide was nothing short of amazing... thank you Roger for making this event both possible and a great success.



October 30th 2007 = another fundraising event for the new Coronation Hall
A most successful French evening was held at the Barn with a 4 course meal with all the excitement of wining and dining amongst friends - PLUS the RUGBY FINAL viewed on a huge screen!



This event was fully booked, the food superb and the barn was decorated in the theme of a french cafe with so many superb touches that it was bound to be the success which it turned out to be!



50 inches of RUGBY and FRESH french coffee to ensure that every taste was catered for during the evening!

