**Report on Dog-Show and Fete 12th August**

After a very wet July, it was reassuring to learn that the forecast for our August fete day was fine. It was more than fine, it was sunny, warm and dry, excellent news for the team putting up marquees and gazebos, and for everyone who had worked so hard to make their stall or sideshow a success.

Everyone agreed it was a very happy afternoon and very busy! The dog show, as always, was slick, well organised and it attracted people from other villages and towns to spend money at our Fete. Winners were very pleased with their doggy prizes generously donated by Toby’s Pets and were so proud of their rosettes.

There was plenty to eat and drink, in between spending money on games, tombolas, books, bric a brac, jewellery and clothes. Children were excited by the arrival of the Saxmundham Fire Brigade with their engine, enjoyed tractor rides, face painting and crafts especially making a scarecrow.

It was a success financially too with a net profit of £3264.48.

Sweffling Fete Organisation have funds of £3551.89 in the bank after expenses. The standing committee propose that the sum of £3000 be divided between the Church, village organisations and a village project, leaving a retention fund of £551.89. i.e. £1500 for the Church and £1500 to be shared amongst Village organisations

Grateful thanks to everyone who helped in any way to make the afternoon so enjoyable and successful

**At the AGM the disbursement of funds will be decided in accordance with SFO constitution.**

It is proposed that Sweffling Organisations will be able to bid for a grant of up to £300 for their general funds and at the AGM, a representatives will be invited to speak for 2 minutes at the Annual General Meeting, as detailed below, to explain what they would like to do with this money.

It is also proposedthat up to £300 be made available for a specific **Village Project** for which individuals or organisations can make written application with their costed plan: **Application Forms can be obtained from Mike Smithson (SFO treasurer)** or by email to mikesmithson.ms@gmail.com and must be returned to him no later than the end of Tuesday 10th October to Poplar Farm Barn, Holden’s Lane.

**The Sweffling Fete Organisation AGM will be held on Thursday 12th October 7.30pm at the Hut. All Sweffling residents are welcome to attend and to vote for the best Village Project.**