**June 2019 Stratford Café Report**

June Gloom is a Southern Californian term for a weather pattern that results in overcast skies with cool temperatures during early summer. It usually clears up by early afternoon and so it did so on Stratford Café Sunday - although we didn’t quite have the Californian temperatures!

The 23rd Salisbury Scouts’, cubs’ and and beavers’ leaders braved the outside tables, talking enthusiastically about taking a group of 10 - 14 year olds to Kandersteg International Scout Centre situated in the heart of the Swiss Alps. At the camp, the Scouts will take part in a full programme including rowing, high ropes, a night in a mountain hut, completing a sustainability project and even some building works. Not surprisingly, the scout leaders have just as much fun as the scouts. However, a lot of preparation goes into getting everyone ready for such a trip, for some it will be the first time abroad or the first time on a plane, so our nomination of the Scouts for the café charity was most welcome.

Tea and cakes, together with sales from our new stock of books, freshly picked rhubarb, jams, chutneys, and plants brought the total takings to £275.35, which, rounded up to £280 by Arnold and Jo, and with a donation for the Reading Room hire cost means that £140 has gone to the 23rd Salisbury Scout Group and £140 into the Village Fund (which now stands at £315).

Details of next month’s café, on 14th July, can be found on the following page. Even if its No Sky July, there will be a warm welcome, not to mention our signature home made cakes - so put the date in your diaries.

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