

Guides get in the mood with 40s dance



GIRL guides put the swing back into Sandhurst with a 1940s dance.

The sounds of Glenn Miller, Bing Crosby and more brought people out in their brogues and other 40s fashions to a special event arranged by the 4th Sandhurst Girl Guides and Rangers.

DJs Spinnin' Jim and Swing Time Suzie played a selection of tunes from the era for the guests who came to St Michael's Pastoral Centre in Lower Church Road from as far afield as Winchester and Andover, according to organiser and unit helper for the guides Cliff Mandville.

Cliff said: "The girls here have been really enthusiastic. They've even learnt the stroll - a 1940's dance - for it.

"There were a lot more people there than expected, we thought it might be difficult to publicise but it snowballed."

The hall was decorated with newspapers from the 40s featuring stories about girl guiding and on one of the walls was a Union Jack made by guides from wartime parachute silk.

Money raised will be used for going on trips and doing the Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

There was also a raffle raising money for the charity Christopher's Smile.

Rebecca Dove, 11, Catherine Dove, 14, and Naomi Miller, 11, at the 1940s dance at St. Michael's Church in Sandhurst. Top right: 'Swingtime' Suzie (Suzie French) and 'Spinnin' Jim (Jamie Dunkley) get in the mood.
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