

FUTURE PLANS

Cherry Tree celebrates its nineteenth birthday in April 2009. In the long journey from a penniless group of people on an overgrown piece of waste land to a thriving plant nursery, we have acquired our buildings in a haphazard manner as they were donated to us. They were therefore old and dilapidated when they arrived, and are much more so now!

We therefore need a BUILDING REPLACEMENT PROGRAMME. This wonderful new Information Hut is the first stage of this plan. Before we could go any further with our building programme, we needed to upgrade and increase our electricity supply. This happened during the Winter 2008/9, being completed at the end of March.

The next stage will probably be the replacement of the VOLUNTEERS' TEAROOM which now leaks seriously. It was donated in 1995 by the Dorset Fire and Rescue Service when they replaced their training unit. We are hoping to build ourselves another log cabin type structure in keeping with the Function Room and Information Hut. While building is in progress we will need to hire a temporary kitchen so that consumption of those most essential hot drinks can continue!

The Volunteers' Tearoom is dedicated to the memory of Cyril Speller who inspired the creation of Cherry Tree Nursery, and without whose vision and commitment the project might never have been here. 'Always remember', Cyril said, 'that people should leave this nursery feeling happier than they were when they arrived'.