

Have a little history with your milk?

Jenny and Frank Wheeler from East Meon post office and Riverside Shop were delighted to receive a Diploma for Good Service from Evergreen magazine 99/818-1



Customers at East Meon's post office and village shop can pop in for more than a stamp and a loaf of bread.

For subpostmaster Frank Wheeler and his wife Jenny have an intriguing sideline - helping people to trace their ancestors.

Frank, who runs a charity which looks after the village churchyard, also keeps parish records.

And his expertise has helped some visitors with a bit of genealogical detective work.

'We recently had an American visitor come in who was trying to trace his ancestors, and I was able to help him,' he said.

The unusual service has helped Frank and Jenny win a diploma which now takes pride of place at the East Meon post office and Riverside Shop.

It was awarded by the magazine *Evergreen* after customers wrote in to thank them for their friendly and personal service.

'The award came out of the blue. It is very nice that people appreciate us,' said Frank.

He has now settled in East Meon after working all over the world piloting submersible vessels for the oil industry.

His wife moved to the village in 1955, and her parents ran the former Witts general store and butchers until 1970.