

**IN BRIEF**

**Legion marks Anzac Day**

**WOODSTOCK:** British Legion members are holding a special commemoration tea dance to mark Anzac Day — and everyone is invited.

Legion members are meeting at Woodstock Social Club tomorrow from 2pm to enjoy an afternoon of dancing sponsored by Anzac Biscuits. Gwen Mason, Royal British Legion event organiser, said: "This is a great opportunity to bring the local community together."

Anzac Day marks the first landing of Australian and New Zealand troops on the Turkish peninsula of Gallipoli in 1915 during the First World War. For more information about the event call Gwen on 01993 811473.

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**Worker cash**

**WITNEY:** A charity ball organised by Christian outdoor activities organisation Adventure Plus, raised just under £2,000. The money will help fund the salary of a development worker. The event, on March 31, was organised by volunteers Lizzie Heath and Rachael Laird, with music from funk band Parker Brown.

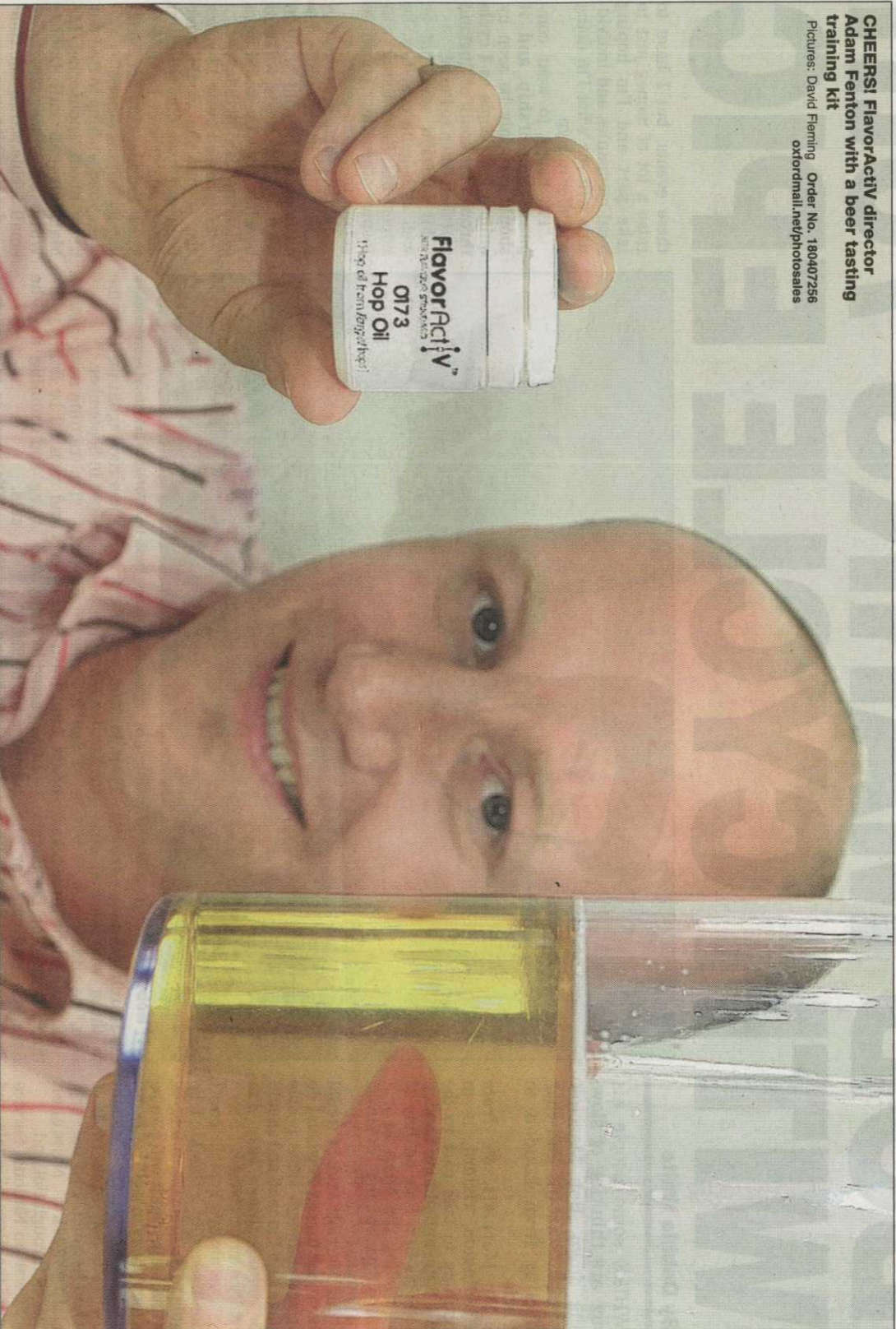
**Flower show**

**DIDCOT:** A flower show with the theme of contributors favourite books opens at All Saints Church, in Lydalls Road, on Friday, May 4. It will run from 10am to 6pm on Friday and Saturday, noon to 4pm on Sunday and 10am to 4pm on Monday. Entrance is £1 and refreshments will be available. For more information on the show, call 01235 210147.

**Printing and beer tasting firms honoured**

**CHEERS! FlavorActiv director Adam Fenton with a beer tasting training kit**

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**COMPANIES WIN QUEEN'S AWARD**

**'It's great to win this latest award'**

**By Chris Koenig Business Reporter**

A GREEN printing company and a firm which trains people how to taste beer are among the winners of the Queens Awards for Enterprise.

Print firm Seacourt, of Cowley, Oxford, will receive a sustainable development award, while beer-tasting trainers FlavorActiv, of Chinnor, are to receive the prestigious award for innovation.

The awards were announced on Saturday — the Queen's birthday — and directors of the two companies will attend a reception at Buckingham Palace later this year for winners from across the UK.

Seacourt, which employs 22 people at Horspath Road Industrial estate, was the environmental prize winner in the 2005 Oxfordshire Business of the Year Awards.

Managing director Gareth Dinnage said: "It's great to win this latest award. We feel we are leading the charge in Oxfordshire to encourage more businesses



**PLEASED:** From left, Seacourt's marketing director Gareth Dinnage, managing director Roy Williams and Jim Dinnage, sales director.

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to become sustainable." He explained that sustainability was a major selling point at the old-established print company, which has been pursuing a green policy since 1997.

He said: "In the last three years, we have reduced waste going to landfill by 80 per cent. "Now we use 100 per cent

renewable electricity and we use 85 per cent recycled material. On top of all that, our premises are now carbon neutral."

It is the second Queen's Award for FlavorActiv, employing 12 people at its Oakley Road headquarters.

In 2005 it won an award in the export category. About 95 per cent of its sales are made

overseas. Founded in 1996, the company exploits research by its director Dr Bill Simpson to identify and stabilise flavours in beers, helping brewers maintain consistency in their product or even to design new drinks.

The company targets the world's 12,000 largest brewers and trains their tasters.

It makes 39 flavours and has produced chemicals to help tasters identify positive and negative beer flavours — all of them named, the most unattractive being 'baby vomit'.

Marketing manager and beer flavour consultant Adam Fenton said: "Brewers have to achieve consistency of quality for each batch, each site, and from time to time — and whenever they introduce new machinery."

Another winner in this year's innovation category is Nanoanalysis of High Wycombe, a subsidiary of Oxford Instruments, based in Tubney Wood, near Abingdon.

It has come up with a radical new cooling technology for electron beam analytical microscopes. [business@nqo.com](mailto:business@nqo.com)

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