

APRIL 2023

Joanna welcomed everyone and we then sung Jerusalem. Apologies were received from Veronica Budge, Sue Crawley, Pam Fox, Jenny Godfrey, Ruth Herman, Judy Kiln, Pat Pauley, Sarah Smith, Nancy Taffs and Alison Tearle. Joanna has spoken to Jenny Godfrey who has confirmed that she is unable to attend our meetings due to ill health. Joanna wished her better on behalf of CHWI. The March minutes were placed on the table for viewing. In Matters Arising Joanna thanked Jackie for hosting a most enjoyable Chain Reaction Ploughman's lunch and said that the next Chain Reactions will be in the summer unless anyone wishes to host one in the meantime. Susan volunteered to host another film night to watch *A Cage aux Folies*; once she has a date for this Debbie will email an invite to the members. The WI team at the Town Twinning Quiz Night had a fun evening and won the wooden spoon! In Correspondence; Debbie mentioned an invitation to Furze Field WI's 70th birthday but none of the members were able to attend; a Gliding experience offered by HFWI, the usual NFWI bulb catalogues and she reminded members of the Recycling for Good Causes. We are on p.2 of County News. The Feedback box was empty. The Book Club are meeting on 26th April at Lesley's. We can't book a trip to the Hitchin Lavender fields in June as they have only released a few early bird tickets for 1st-14th July and all have been sold; so we will try a book an evening later on. Members were told that we plan outings in the summer to the Tyttenhanger Trains and to the Open Air Theatre as we did last year. Sue Rowlands told members that the Quiz Night made a nice profit and all enjoyed the paella, a visit to Boissy will be on 26th & 27th May and a coach trip to Whitstable on 16th July. Susan told members that we could do with some more items on our Vinted account. Future Plans: The Mymmswood Group Meeting is on Fri 21st April 2.30pm as mentioned last month, however, we were unable to sell any tickets for this. The Waterways Canal Trip has been booked for Wed 2nd August 11am to 3pm and up to 35 passengers. Cost will be advised depending on the number of people who can come; 20 members have signed up for this so far. Our next meeting is on May 11th when Joanna will lead us through the resolutions and the A.G.M. The resolution is Clean Rivers for People and Wildlife. Instead of a Bring and Buy as shown on your programme cards we will be having a PRODUCE STALL! Members were asked to bring in cakes (individual or slice of), plants, preserves etc but all must be properly wrapped and priced. A flower arrangement in an egg cup is the competition. Gerry offered to give the VOT. Pam C and Mavis will help with the teas. In AOB, we highlighted The Coal Post and the Resident's Association especially as the village is under attack from multiple housing developments. Joanna asked members on behalf of Pat Pauley to bring in any spare wool. Joanna then introduced Graham and Mary Brace who spoke on the Wildlife of India showing us some wonderful photographs especially of tigers. Susan gave the VOT. The competition was won by Ann with her painting of a tiger. After refreshments and plenty of chat the raffle was drawn. Joanna reminded members about the produce stall for May. The meeting closed with the National Anthem.