

MARCH 2022 - Joanna welcomed everyone to the meeting, our birthday one, we are 69 years old! We then sang Jerusalem. Apologies were received from Diana Devereux, Delia Ensor, Iris Green, Jenny Godfrey, Annegret Hicks, Claire Ouzman, Jackie Shaw, Pauline Wiffen and also Eileen Francis who has now moved to Winslow, Bucks. Members were asked to sign a new home card for her - all agreed she would be much missed. The February minutes were on the table for viewing. In Matters Arising Joanna handed over to Susan who read a letter she had written to the Electoral Services on behalf of CHWI regarding the Community Governance review of boundary changes. A show of hands proved that members agreed the letter and that it should be sent. In Correspondence, Debbie explained that the venue for the Spring Council meeting on 31st March has changed to the Radlett Centre - Joanna will be attending. She also mentioned the Family Tree course in May and will email details to members. In County News, Joanna advised members to look at p6 which shows all events both WI and Non WI. Book club will be meeting on 29th March. Joanna thanked the Sewing Group who have raised £92 for funds - Veronica and Co received a well deserved round of applause. The theatre trip arranged by Elizabeth to see Dirty Dancing was a great success and much enjoyed but, alas, there are no seats left for Elizabeth's theatre trip next month to see Pretty Woman. Sue Rowlands reminded members of the Town Twinning Quiz Night on 19/03/22. Future plans are a Chain Reaction Soup Lunch on 22nd March at Joanna's and the Group Meeting in Essendon on 29th April for which Debbie is seeking a new speaker being as Stuntwoman Lucy will now be in Thailand filming. More information and tickets at our April meeting. The next meeting will be April 14th with a Macrame workshop by Cerri Noor. More details on this will be in the usual pre-meeting email from Debbie. The competition will be fresh flowers in a jam jar. In A.O.B. Joanna told members of the recent death of former member Jenny Alloway. Then Joanna opened the buffet and members were entertained by the ladies of Welwyn Harmony. They were also given a short history of barbershop and a chance to join in on an exercise to discover if they were tenor, bass, lead or baritone. The group sang Happy Birthday to us at the end of their set. Gerry gave the vote of thanks. The birthday cake (thanks were given to Sue C for making it!) was cut by Joanna who handed round the delicious slices to everyone. Coffee and tea was served whilst members had a good old chat! After the raffle was drawn and the competition judged Joanna reminded members of the dates of the Quiz Night, Group Meeting and Chain Reaction Soup Lunch. She then closed the meeting with the National Anthem.