

# ATTLEBOROUGH WI



# Newsletter June 2021

#### **Your Committee**

In spite of the Pandemic, your Committee has met several times over the past 16 months both virtually and in person. We've discussed and made decisions on all sorts of things such as our goody bags, events and meetings — mainly cancelling them - but keen to keep things ticking over until normal service resumes.

I thought I'd remind you who does what on the Committee.

President Genevieve
Secretary Anne Tinker
Treasurer Ann Kirkness
Vice President/ Eileen Bowhill

Asst Treasurer/Refreshments

Outings Secretary Ruth Roberts
Registration/Tea Roster
Raffles/Makers Market Christine Keep
Programme Secretary Shirley Miller

(our latest recruit – lovely to have you on board, Shirley)

Other WI Members, but not Committee, are also a big help: Betty Stacey for doing our beautiful birthday cards, and for running the Craft Group; and Barbara and Kate B for organising lunches and cinema trips;

Can I say here, you're a brilliant bunch, all of you. Thank you for all your hard work.

## **Upcoming Events**

#### Wed 23 June @ 2.00pm

WI Members Meeting in Bridget's garden (1 Paddock Gardens)

#### Wed 7 July @ 2-4pm

Craft Group Meeting in the Snooker Hall. Now cancelled. Please contact Betty for further details.

#### Wed 14 July @ 10am

Coffee Morning at Old Buckenham
Country Park

#### Wed 28 July @ 1.30pm

Our next Members' Meeting (all being well) at the Town Hall with our speaker Don Westcott, talking about his life in TV, film and stage with a bit of guitar music.

#### Wed 25 August @ 1.30pm

Members' Meeting in the Town Hall with Mia Hansson and her Bayeux Tapestry.



Your Committee, at our recent Meeting

#### THE NFWI VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEETING

Over 2,500 members and guests logged into this year's NFWI Annual Meeting on 8th June. It was streamed from the Royal Society of Arts in London with Lynn Stubbings presiding over events. There was some business carried out but the highlights of the day were the three speakers: HRH The Countess of Wessex, Dame Cressida Dick, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, and the Rt Hon Baroness Hale of Richmond. All three gave excellent, inspirational speeches on mainly womenbased themes, and here was much to take note of in each of their talks. After a lunch break there was discussion on the Resolution, "A call to increase awareness of the subtle signs of ovarian cancer", with an interesting talk by Mr John Butler, a cancer surgeon, on the subject. This part of the meeting can be seen on YouTube (click here).



Lynn Stubbings now steps down as Chair of the NFWI; Ann Jones, of Ceredigion WI, has been elected as the new NFWI Chair.



# Dippy on Tour at Norwich Cathedral

Norfolk WI will be highlighting Climate Change at the Norfolk Cathedral where Dippy, the nation's favourite dinosaur will be visiting from 13 July to 30 October.

Norfolk WI will be putting on a display of green hearts as part of the Climate Coalition's "Show the Love 2021" campaign. Lots of small green hearts made by Norfolk WI members will be given out to visitors; larger green hearts are also needed to decorate the WI display.

The green hearts can be knitted, crocheted, sewn, made from card - the choice is yours! A simple way to make a green heart can be found here.

More information on Dippy and the Green Hearts campaign may be found on the Norfolk WI website.

### A reminder that this year's Resolution is:

A Call to Increase Awareness of the Subtle Signs of Ovarian Cancer

Further information may also be found on the NHS website link here Cancer Research website link here, and also on the Target Ovarian Cancer website, here

We will be voting at our meeting on 23 June on whether to take this Resolution forward to the next stage.



Anne T's beautiful pic of a hedgehog in her garden Thanks, Anne