

I cannot believe how well things have gone since our launch in April 2021. The speed in which somethings have happened such as getting our own Zoom account & online bank account set up has been amazing. Both are taking some getting used to as not like personal accounts.

Our programme for the year is complete and work is in hand for the 2022 programme. The membership is growing steadily which is lovely, we have a member from Suffolk who works in Cambodia so when she joins us at 7.30pm it is 1am there, that's commitment.

We recently ran a competition to pick our own logo, we had several from our members and it was hard to pick a short list but 5 were put forward for member to vote on and the two who tied for votes were put forward for a final vote at our last meeting. That was another challenge for our meeting host to arrange an online poll but she did it wonderfully. The result is above.

We launched a fund raiser in the form of a prize draw, members pay a one off sum in August closing date 1<sup>st</sup> Sept of £5 per entry, then their surname & postcode are entered into a "hat" and this is drawn 3 times a year at December, April & August meetings.

Like all WI's although we do not have a hall to hire we still have outgoings such as the purchase of an Annual Zoom Account Licence and speakers hence the need to fund raise. At our last meeting members were asked to come up with other ideas so watch this space.

Several members from suspended WI's have joined us which is lovely. This is an exciting new venture where members can be from all over the country or world and it is one which I am thoroughly enjoying along with the other members of our small but happy Committee and members, why not take a look at our web and Facebook pages or contact hazeljonesvirtuallynorfolkwi@gmail.com,.

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