

April 28th 2022 – Our third meeting of the Centenary year

President, June Leach, welcomed 29 members and 3 visitors.

The Group then enjoyed an interactive talk by Kevin from Plumley's Garden Centre. His talk was called "Spring into Action" and he certainly had everyone enthused by the end of the evening.



Starting with an empty trough, Kevin showed the group how to prepare the base, then the soil right through to planting and finally those little details that made the display really stand out. He explained the need for drainage and how to achieve it, the reason he had selected the various plants that he used and how to get the balance of colour and space.



The ladies were enthralled and questions were non stop right through the demonstration.

The result was a beautiful trough and the envy of all. Despite several offers, Kevin explained it was not for sale and it would go on display at Plumley's.

The disappointment was managed when ladies saw the splendid array of plants that he had bought with him for sale.

Everyone headed over to take look and selections were made whilst enjoying delicious refreshments.

Purchases secured, it was time to get on with WI business.

Apologies – There were 10 apologies.

The minutes from the last meeting, March 2022 were taken as read.

Correspondence – the President had received letters of thanks from one member who was unable to attend meetings due to family illness. She was grateful for the plant the WI had delivered.

The President explained that although a member had resigned another member had moved out of the area but wanted to remain part of Over Peover and had rejoined.

Finances - The Treasurer explained that the financial position was healthy and would liaise with new members to ensure the joining forms were all in place.

Group News - The Group Coordinator reminded members that the Spring meeting will be at Plumley Village Hall on Tuesday 10th of May at 7.30p.m. Tickets were on sale at £5.00 (see March notes for more detail).

Village Hall News - The President confirmed that a survey was to be carried out on the 6th May to determine what work will be needed to bring the Hall up to standard

Future events - The lunch group (now called the Meet and Eat Group) will meet at the Edge Hotel Alderley Edge on the 3rd of May 12.30pm for 1.00pm .

The Resolutions meeting in May; there will be a Toast to the Queen for the Platinum Jubilee (Red White and Blue theme).

For the Garden Meeting, guests will not be invited as they will be invited to the Centenary Tea Party in September.

Social Events - The President has been in touch with Jodrell Bank, for the August Social meeting on the 24th August. Members were happy with this suggestion.

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The Easter flower classes were much enjoyed and there would be more classes in the Autumn.

The next reading club will meet on the 16th. May at 2.30pm.

the recipe book was going well, although they could do with a few more recipes and encouraged members who had not contributed, stressing this was a collaborative task and they were keen everyone was involved.

A list is going round for members to volunteer to plant up tubs for outside the Village Hall.

The President thanked the two members had for provided the refreshments and the flowers. It had been a superb evening!

The meeting closed at 9.45pm.

If you are interested in joining, look out for the notices and come along to the Village Hall, last Thursday in the month. It's a great way to meet local ladies and if you don't want to come by yourself just contact our president June Leach, june_leach48@yahoo.co.uk, and we'll make sure you receive a warm welcome.